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Committee: Joint Special Committee On Referendum Petition  
2026-302  
Measure, Appointment or  
Topic: SB1599

I am disappointed to see lawmakers advancing SB 1599 after voters were clearly told the referendum would be decided in November.

Changing the election date after 250,000 Oregonians signed the petition sends a message that voter input only matters when it is convenient for those in power.

Whether someone supports or opposes the tax increase, everyone should agree that voters deserve a fair process and an honest vote.