

Submitter: Robyn Westerlund

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Special Committee On Referendum Petition
2026-302

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1599

I, Robyn Westerlund, oppose SB 1599.

Oregon voters signed petitions to place this tax bill on the November ballot, and the petition counts have qualified. Moving this measure to a May election overrides the voices of those voters who exercised their right to request a referendum. Shifting the vote to the primary election, when turnout is typically lower, undermines the intent of the petition process.

I am concerned that this change appears self-serving of the current governor and may prioritize political considerations over the will of the voters.

I respectfully request that SB 1599 be rejected and that Referendum 2026-302 remain scheduled for the November 2026 ballot.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,
Robyn Westerlund