

Submitter: Nick Skelton
On Behalf Of: Myself and my fellow Oregonians
Committee: Joint Special Committee On Referendum Petition
2026-302
Measure, Appointment or
Topic: SB1599

I am writing to strongly urge you to oppose SB 1599 and to keep the referendum on the November general election ballot, as originally qualified by more than 250,000 Oregonians.

SB 1599 would unnecessarily move the measure to the May primary, severely limiting the time available for signature gathering and the submission of arguments for the Voters' Pamphlet. Such a change would undermine the referendum process and restrict meaningful citizen participation.

This measure deserves to be decided by the full electorate in a high-turnout November election, when the greatest number of Oregonians can make their voices heard.

Please reject SB 1599 and protect the integrity of the referendum by ensuring it remains on the November ballot.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.