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On Behalf Of:

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The election date for the referendum petition to repeal the gas tax should not be moved to the May ballot. This referendum should be given the full opportunity to be considered by the largest group of voters possible. The May ballot has historically lower voter turnout, thus giving fewer voters the opportunity to voice their opinion on the tax. Moving the election date shows a clear disregard for the will of the people. Something that was already shown by voting the bill into law in the first place. To disregard the will of the people again, and in connection to the same bill, shows that many of our legislators have no respect for the spirit of democracy.