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On Behalf Of:  
Committee: Joint Special Committee On Referendum Petition  
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I support moving the vote up to the May Primary so work can be done by the legislature if it fails and cuts will be planned. Workers need to know if they will be layed off for lack of transportation funding. The gas tax proposed, 46 cents/gallon is less than that of our neighboring state, Washington which is 50.4 cents/gallon. Their transportation infrastructure is in better shape than Oregon's. A single pothole incident damaging a vehicle is more costly than years of the gas tax increase and registration increases. I support road improvements for other forms of transportation. A bike on the road is one less car crowding the roads and beneficial to the environment. Sidewalks are transportation related to keep pedestrian safe. The Republicans only want the transportation budget to go to vehicle use. That is short sighted.