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

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Dear Co-Chairs Senator Jama and Representative Gomberg, and members of the Committee;

I am not going to pretend that I understand the machinations of our legislature at work but I can't help wondering if the Committee missed all the testimony already submitted opposing this bill. Is the Committee so unsure of the will of the voters on this piece of legislation that a mere two days following a public hearing another public hearing is needed. Is the Committee hoping perhaps someone in favor of this bill might step forward and signal such favor in person or in writing? Did the overwhelming testimonies opposed to the passage of SB 1599 that have already been sent escape the Committee's notice?

I just don't understand which part of No the Committee doesn't understand. No, we don't want the vote moved to the May primary election. If nothing else, if this Committee passes this bill out of committee it will show Oregon voters – clearly – just how much it is doing the work of the people and to what extent it takes to heart the will of the voters.

Sincerely,
Richard Wisner