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I have voted in every election since moving to Oregon, including those held at polling places. I have seen no evidence that vote by mail is less efficient, or easier to commit fraud. I know many people who have been contacted to verify their signatures. My 93 year old mother has also voted in every election. She is largely housebound and could not stand in line to vote. She uses a walker and tires very quickly. As a self employed person, vote by mail allows me to vote without disrupting my day. Revoking our 30 year right to vote by mail is in essence taking away many people's right to vote. In my care, it would require me to drive to my mom's house, pick her up and get her into a polling place before driving first her and then myself home to do the same for me. This would prevent me from then going to my place of business of which I am a sole operator. There are many others in similar situations. Once again, it seems that one by one, our rights to freedom are being taken away by the minority rule. This must be stopped.