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I strongly oppose this bill. Oregon's mail in ballot system is secure and one of the most widely used in the country. We stand to gain nothing by removing the ability to vote via mail, as it will only drastically reduce voter turn out, especially amongst the poorer communities in Oregon. Most people cannot take time off to wait in line for hours to vote. Mail in ballots allow everyone ample time and opportunity to vote. America is a democracy, as we all know. A democracy for the people, by the people. "The people" are not just the wealthy white people who can take time off to vote, or the small business owners who can close shop. Nor are "the people" just the ones who live in major cities near polling stations. This bill tries limit who "the people" are by removing the voices of many of us. Though it doesn't openly state it is being done to suppress votes, we all know that's the goal. Please do not cave to the Republican's desires to suppress the voices of the masses. Thank you.