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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Rules

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB210

My name is Gail Langellotto, and I am a registered voter in Oregon. I strongly oppose this bill, because it will restrict voting and decrease participation in elections. ALL eligible voters should be given the chance to exercise their right to vote.

I remember how difficult it was to vote, when I lived in Maryland, and we could only vote on election day. When there was a big election (such as a presidential year), it was not unusual to stand outside for hours, before it was my turn to vote. I would have to take a half day or day off of work, which cost time and money. In person voting is disproportionately hard on working class people, who may not have the time or money to take off work to vote.

I love Oregon's vote by mail system. I take days to read and cross reference information, before I cast my vote. I feel that our system encourages informed voting, by allowing people the time to carefully research and consider each candidate and ballot. In person, day of election voting is chaotic, uncomfortable, and rushed.

I urge you to please vote NO on this awful bill.