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This is an objectively terrible idea. The only reason to switch to primarily in person voting is if your goal is for fewer Oregonians to vote.

Mail in Voting allows voters the chance to research candidates and initiatives on their own time, without the pressure of the voting booth. Additionally, it eliminates the need to negotiate complex work schedules and long lines at precincts driving up participation in citizen's sacred civic duty.

I've lived in a state with in person only voting. It's a playground for Republican bad actors, can be confusing when trying to learn where your precinct is and intentionally short staffed precincts lead to long lines driving away voters.

As a newer resident to the State I have thoroughly enjoyed the ease and security of vote by mail and will be ETREMELY disappointed if this legislative body even remotely considers switching to a clearly worse alternative voting option. I would implore any left/center leaning member of Oregon's legislative body to resist a push to the right on this and other issues or expect a primary challenge from someone willing to fight.

Sincerely,
Chris, a concerned voter