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I am opposed to changing Oregon's current voter laws. For a true democracy, voting should be accessible to all eligible voters. Voter fraud is rare and subject to harsh punishment, and there has been no increase in voter fraud due to vote by mail.

It has become increasingly difficult for people to be able to make it to the polls on election day. In states without vote by mail, lines are unmanageably long, making it impossible for people to participate in the democratic process, the bedrock of our constitution. Additionally given the current political rancor, polling places and the people waiting in line have been threatened with violence, such as bomb threats, which further discourages people from exercising their basic rights. We should be encouraging voting through vote by mail, not making it more difficult.