

Submitter: Rebecca Donley
On Behalf Of:
Committee: Senate Committee On Rules
Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB210
Chairperson and Members of the Committee,

My name is Rebecca Donley, and I am submitting testimony in opposition to the proposal that would make in-person voting on the date of an election the standard method for conducting elections.

This change would limit access for many voters—particularly those in rural areas, those with caregiving responsibilities, people with disabilities, and individuals working nontraditional or long hours. Oregon’s current vote-by-mail system is a national model for secure, accessible, and reliable elections. Replacing it with a single-day, in-person voting requirement would disenfranchise voters who cannot easily take time off or travel to polling places.

Democracy functions best when participation is broad and barriers are low. I urge you to protect and preserve the flexibility and accessibility that Oregon voters have come to rely on.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,
Rebecca Donley