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What's the old saying? If it ain't broke, don't fix it? We have voted by mail for years. It is safe. It has a low rate of fraud and it is fair to all citizens of the state. Voter ID laws are voter suppression. They are not designed to make voting safer. They are designed to make voting harder. Before Republicans hated everyone, they thought voting by mail was fine too. Before FOX News convinced them there is massive fraud (there isn't), they thought voting by mail was fine.

The state of Oregon has its own negative history with Black and native Indian populations. Let's not repeat that history by making voting harder. All citizens deserve to have their vote counted. Voter ID laws will make it harder for people to vote, harder to get the right ID, harder to get to the polling place.

Many Oregonians live on a border and work in the bordering state. We may be able to get the proper ID but will have to take time off work to go to our local polling places. Let's not fall for the lie that showing ID in a polling place is the safest way to vote. Oregon has proven that to be false.