

Dear committee members,

I am an Oregon voter who strongly opposes SB 210. I must say that I am ashamed at our representative Smith for sponsoring this bill. This bill runs contrary to the democratic principles that our nation was founded upon. I am an attorney and teacher in Douglas County. Douglas County, like most counties in Oregon, is almost entirely rural. This bill, if passed, would disenfranchise rural voters, thereby disenfranchising most Oregon voters. However, rural voters aren't the only persons who this bill would disenfranchise. Disabled, elderly, poor, and otherwise dependent voters would also be disenfranchised as would hardworking single parents and caregivers who cannot leave their jobs to vote in person. Oregon has a long history of honoring its rural and wild areas; these areas and the people that live in them are, in large part, what make our great state so beautiful. SB 210 is not only treacherous, but is glaringly un-American, un-democratic, and un-Oregon.

Sincerely,

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