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Vote by Mail has been crucial in allowing my husband and I to vote in every election. It removed barriers. We could vote even if our work schedule didn't accommodate time for standing in a long polling line during the day. It allowed us to vote even if we were ill. It allowed us to vote without needing to worry about lining up child care or toting two small kids to stand in line. And our circumstances are fairly easy compared to people who lack transportation, or have physical disabilities or health concerns. Voting by mail has been a safe, secure way to allow all Oregonians to participate in their right to vote if they choose. Ending this policy will have no positive impact. It will only serve to disenfranchise many.