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Vote by mail makes voting possible for many who can't take time off on Election Day. I personally would have a very difficult time being able to vote in person because of my job. Being a teacher, I cannot just run out to vote because I need to be in my classroom and voting after work would make me have to wait in long lines in order to vote and if I have an emergency I could miss my window of opportunity to vote. Another thing, I appreciate that I can take my time while voting, I research the issues and candidates making sure I am able to express my wants. This is especially important when some measures sound like one thing but they mean the opposite view. I also wonder about what news costs the state and counties would have to spend to purchase in person vote supplies (booths, machines, etc) taking money from other needs. Please keep Oregon's vote by mail system.