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In my voting life, I have voted in California, Alaska, Texas, Louisiana, Arizona, Arkansas, and Oregon. During my first experience of voting by mail in Oregon, I was permitted, as part of the local Precinct Central committee to observe the process of checking ballots for genuineness and for the vote. The votes were tallied by a machine. At each ballot-processing station were seated an equal number of Democrats and Republicans. The process seemed to work smoothly and the chance for chicanery was minimal. I see no reason to consider changing, unless the effort is to limit access to the ballot box in order to prevent some people who would otherwise be eligible to vote from voting, either because of the difficulty of doing so, or because the proponents of this legislation believe that abandoning mail-in voting would allow them to accrue an advantage in the voting process. Please do NOT support this piece of legislation. It is recidivistic and dangerous.