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I am strongly in favor of this bill.

Mail in voting is safe: A review of the vote by mail system? by the state's Legislative Fiscal Office found from 2000-2019 there were approximately 61 million ballots cast. Of those, 38 criminal convictions of voter fraud were obtained. This amounts to a .00006% rate. ?

Mail in voting is efficient. Oregon is number two in the country on the Cost of Voting Index.

Mail in voting encourages participation: When every registered voter gets sent a ballot in the mail — a system known as universal vote-by-mail — voting rates tend to rise, numerous studies have found.

IMO this bill is clearly an attempt to restrict voting in our state despite having a system in place that best serves voters.