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I am voicing my concerns with the submission of the bill that would end our mail in voting. This is outrageous. Oregon has had mail in voting for decades and it has proven to be fair and legal in every way. It is actually more fair than any other form of voting. It assures we, as individuals, have time to consider each candidate and each item on a ballot fully and privately as we make our democratic choices. It makes it possible for each of us to vote in a simple and timely manner so that we are not limited by a single election day. By using mail in ballots, those that are working or do not have transportation can have equal access to the polls and fairly have their votes count. The only motivation I can see for considering changing our voting is a desire to limit voting by making it more difficult for folks to get to the polls. HANDS OFF our mail in voting!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Don't you all have more important issues to be spending your precious time and our precious tax dollars on than messing up one of the best things about being an Oregonian??