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Please do not support this bill! Oregon has had mail-in voting for 25 years, and it works well! It is more inclusive, and in that time, voter turnout has increased each year, culminating in November 2022, when Oregon became the state with the highest voter turnout in the nation, surpassing Maine by 0.05%. Requiring hundreds of thousands of voters to come out and vote in person, on one single day, makes zero sense. This is why Oregon changed the way they allow folks to vote in the first place. In fact, requiring people (elderly, disabled) to vote in person, will actually violate their constitutional right to vote. Many Oregonians are not able to appear in person to vote, so requiring them to do so, will 100% ensure that less people will be able to cast their vote. It is not only a terrible idea to roll back our progress made toward increasing voter turnout, it is cruel and targeted at our most vulnerable and underrepresented citizens. While I understand that would work in the favor of conservatives and republicans, it is in no way a benefit to the citizens of this great state. Please consider the greater good, and support a more fair and equitable approach to one of the most fundamental rights of American citizens. Thank you!