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On Behalf Of:

Committee:

Senate Committee On Rules

Measure, Appointment or Topic:

SB210

Dear Oregon legislature:

I strongly oppose bill SB 210, which would repeal our vote-by-mail system and replace it with required in-person voting. Vote-by-mail has been proven to ensure the broadest participation in Oregon elections, allowing equal access to voting for people from rural areas, people who happen to be traveling or temporarily living elsewhere on election day, people like me who work during the day, and others, to vote. Our proven system allows voters to make the best decisions since they can sit at their kitchen tables with the voters pamphlet and learn about each candidate and issue to make the most informed choice. Vote-by-mail is secure, cost-effective, and efficient and it needs to remain the way we participate in elections in Oregon. Please don't remove this cornerstone of our solid and trustworthy election system.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

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