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For most of my life, I lived in states where voting-in-person was my only option. This is very restrictive for many reasons. It is often difficult to get time away from work to vote. Also, weather, illness, and limited transportation options can prevent one from making it to the polling station. These factors should not prevent a person from being able to vote. I find the current Oregon system of voting awesome!

Also, I think the current system is secure. Although it is possible to steal a ballot from the mail and forge a signature, the probability of getting caught is high. The forged signature may raise a red flag. Also, if someone doesn't receive their ballot, they are likely to request a new one, so submission of the old ballot will raise a red flag. In addition, modifying just one vote is unlikely to affect an election. So, besides not being a serious threat to the system, there is no incentive for anyone to even try it.