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Oregon's vote by mail system has been in place for decades and has been proven secure and effective. It's clear that efforts to change this are thinly veiled attempts to suppress and marginalize voters who face barriers to voting in person. Lack of transportation, inability to take time off to vote, mobility challenges, etc. all disproportionately impact lower income communities, meaning their voices will most certainly be silenced if this bill passes. In the absence of any legitimate evidence that it is more secure, forcing people to vote in person is at best unnecessary and costly, and at worst intentionally exclusionary.