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I have been a resident of Oregon for over 15 years. I moved to Oregon from California, which does not do mail-in voting. In California, I only voted in national elections. I didn't know everything that was on the ballot before stepping into the voting booth. I would sometimes vote with little or no information about a candidate. In Oregon, because we have vote by mail, I am able to look up candidates, bills, propositions, etc. ahead of time when my ballot is mailed to me. I have been more civically engaged in Oregon than I ever was in California. Voting is important and I enjoy getting the chance to fill out my ballot in the safety and security of my own home. If Oregon were to repeal mail-in voting, it would tank my civil engagement. It would make it more difficult for me to research my positions. What Oregon could probably use is more secure drop-off sites for completed ballots, so that people can safely drop off their ballots with more convenience.