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The vote by mail option has been very instrumental, in my feeling, that voting has been made simpler, convenient, and anonymous to others. Many life difficulties arise, as they have in my life, that cripple one's ability to access voting in person: Proximity or ease of accessing polling sites, personal or a family member's illness, childcare, difficult work schedules, avoiding exposure to illnesses of other voters, and many more.

I'm extremely concerned about the potential for political pressure at polling places that may occur, from any aggressive or powerful party. Anyone who wishes to vote should feel free from intimidation.

The option to use a drop box or vote by mail eliminates that potential—to avoid being accosted or threatened.

Also standing/waiting in line at a polling place may be quite problematic for the aged or those with mobility. Oregon's weather is obvious.

Please retain Oregon's vote by mail for ALL Oregonians!