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Oregon must retain vote by mail. The statistics have always proven that our system increases voter turnout substantially compared to other states that do not use vote by mail. The system is also extremely efficient and simple after being put in place so many years ago.

It is our civic duty to vote and our current system achieves that with great success. Removing vote by mail is a clear attempt to strip the working class from accessing their civic duty to vote. This has nothing to do with security and everything to do with lowering voter turnout, in an attempt to manipulate the outcomes of Oregon elections into directions that do not actually represent the populace.

We will not stand by and allow this system to be taken away from us. It is one of the points of pride I have as an Oregonian that I know I can always participate in every election regardless of my work schedule. Anyone who tries to take that ability away is attempting to suppress us from performing our civic duty to vote.