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On Behalf Of:

Committee:

Senate Committee On Rules

Measure, Appointment or Topic:

SB210

I strongly oppose SB210 and its intent to remove Oregonians' ability to vote by mail. Voting by mail protects everyone's right to vote, especially those whose work schedules, health, distance from a polling place, or family commitments prevent them from physically going to cast their ballot. It keeps unplanned or disruptive events like severe weather or civil unrest from interrupting voting.

Oregon's Legislative Fiscal Office found from 2000-2019 there were approximately 61 million ballots cast. Of those, 38 criminal convictions of voter fraud were obtained. This amounts to a .00006% rate of fraudulent ballots.

SB210 would suppress Oregon citizens' ability to effectively exercise their democratic right to vote. I do NOT support this bill, and ask the Senate Committee on Rules to reject it.