

Submitter: Sarah Brooks

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Rules

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB210

Chair Senator Smith, members of the committee, I am Sarah Brooks from Portland OR and I am writing to oppose OR 210 which would repeal our current system of mail in voting. OR 210 would be particularly discriminatory to older persons and those with disabilities who are unable to vote in person. Also to those who's work schedules or family duties, or travel scenarios make it difficult for them to vote in person. I'm sure there are many more reasons I can't currently think of, where people can't physically get out and vote. Maybe they are in a hospital or having a baby or broke their leg or are seriously depressed and anxious about going to a voting booth where there could be harassment for their political side. Our current system of mail-in voting has been safe, economical and successful in giving all Oregonians a voice.