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Committee:	Senate Committee On Rules
Measure, Appointment or Topic:	SB210

Dear Senate Committee -

Oregon's vote by mail is extremely important to preserve. It means that people who work long hours, have disabilities, or other reasons it is difficult to get to the polls can still vote. And it means we can take our time selecting the right candidates and understand the measures, with the ability to research as we fill out our ballots. Vote by Mail is one reason why Portland's voter rate is so high. I know that I take comfort that even if a vote/measure does not go my way, at least a large proportion of the population have voted for it vs. the people who had the time or ability to show up. All credible reports show that voter fraud is extremely rare, so that excuse should not be a reason to dismantle the system.

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