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My name is Anna Munson, I live in Salem. I am glad that SB 210 is having a hearing. This bill addresses a concern many people have about how Oregonians cast their ballots for elections, a right and privilege of every citizen.

I recently ran for public office in the 2024 elections. I ran for county clerk, the lead elections officer in the county. On the campaign trail many people spoke that they distrust our election process.

The reasons why I support SB210 is because I understand the election process in our state and we have lost some of the basic principles needed for fair, transparent elections. Chain of custody required for the security of our election is lacking in our state. Without a person coming to a precinct in person with proof of identification where signatures are matched immediately, true chain of custody which is the standard in our courts for evidence cannot be established. Without the assurance that a ballot is cast by a real person, a real citizen trust in our elections and trust in the winner of each race is in question.

There are many things that we can do to restore trust in our elections, simply returning to in person, one day voting with identification will establish a chain of custody verification process.

Transparency and accountability will be a start for Oregonians to trust their elections and government.

This bill simply puts vote by mail on the ballot for Oregonians to vote on.

This bill does not address all the problems but it would be a start.

Respectfully submitted

Anna Munson