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I am proud to live in a state with mail in voting. It is an obvious power grab by the Republicans to try and disenfranchise as many voters as they possibly can. Not only is mail in voting cost effective, it is also easier to manage ballots. " In Oregon, vote-by-mail in special elections resulted in savings of over \$1 million between 1995 and 1997. If all elections in that period had been conducted in the same manner, state officials estimate they could have saved an additional \$3 million of public funds."

There is higher level of voter engagement when we have mail in voting. Why are we trying to go backwards to disenfranchise Voters, is this not a free country? It is obvious that if we were to repeal mail in voting we would have long lines, ridiculous waits in higher population cities and the unnecessary, undemocratic. There are many reasons people cannot waste a day of their lives to vote, they can't afford it, they don't have the childcare, but mail in voting ensures our voices are heard.