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Forcing in-person voting on the day of an election and moving away from the proven and effective mail-in system that Oregon has been using is a clear attempt at voter suppression. Oregon already has measures in place to verify identity and validate mail-in votes, so I see absolutely zero reason this needs to change unless you see better voting accessibility as a problem. It comes as no surprise to me that Republicans are pushing for this as their policies, or lack thereof, are widely unpopular and having less people able to vote clearly favors that party alone. It's frankly embarrassing and disappointing that this bill is even being proposed. Who was asking for this, other than Donald Trump and other nationally-unpopular politicians and their cronies? Who reached out to their representatives lamenting the ease at which they're able to vote on their own time and securely? Does any citizen of Oregon actually wish to be made to take time off of work to go stand in line at a voting station in order to be heard? What non-existent problem does this fix?

Until I'm shown actual proof that something about our current system doesn't work, it's a hard no from me.