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On Behalf Of:

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I am in opposition to this measure.

If Oregon State were to limit voting to in-person and revoke mail-in voting, it was severely many oregonians abilities to show up and cast their vote. It is a move that's anti-democratic, and puts those who live in rural areas, those who cannot take time off of work, and those who are disabled at a disadvantage.

The in-person line would massively lengthen. Without proper supports in place like mandatory time off for all workers during voting periods, available seating for those who cannot for hours, or voting line check-ins to allow people to use the bathroom or get water or snacks, this proposal almost seems like it's designed for failure on purpose, much like we see with the draconian voting regulations in red states like Texas, where I moved from many years ago.

Removing mail-in voting is a tool of oppression. If there is doubt about the validity and transparency of mail-in voting, then the state of Oregon should focus on putting supports in place to make sure mail-in voting continues to be the ethical and democratic tool it's been for almost 30 years.

I oppose this measure.