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I'm writing today in support of maintaining Oregon's vote by mail system.

Voting is a right and an important responsibility of every citizen. Our current system is amazing and helps ensure the citizens of Oregon have an opportunity to participate.

I have voted in every single election I was qualified to submit a vote for since I turned 18. I lived in the state of Virginia for over 30 years before moving to Oregon in 2018. It was typical during presidential election years for me to get in line to vote before 6:00 in the morning. Polls opened at 6:00 a.m. Despite getting in line before polls opened, I would typically wait 2-3 hours before making it to the front of the line.

With voting by mail, I don't have to waste so much time waiting in line. I can research the various candidates and fill out my ballot from the comfort of my own home.

I absolutely love voting by mail and do not want this taken away from me. Keep voting by mail in Oregon!