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While I miss the chance to see friends and neighbors when we voted in person, mail-in balloting is so much more efficient and safe and accessible with all sorts of mobility issues. It's quite possible to devise a way to confirm a person's identity, residence, etc. without the costly, inefficient in-person voting.

This mail-in system has worked for many years; not only that, we're among the few states with consistently high rate of voting. It seems to me that going back to the old ways will disenfranchise many people. My 95-year-old mother would have been among them. She no longer drove, had physical mobility issues but had every bit of intelligence and awareness that God gave her, and then more. What about the folks who are healthy and want to vote but can't get to voting places?

Mr. Smith is displaying incredible shortsightedness in pushing this bill. He does not appear to be in touch with the reality of his home district or the rest of Oregon citizens. Transportation costs keep going up, including gas, owning a vehicle and maintenance while our public transportation system is lacking or more commonly, non-existent in many areas of the state. If I had a job in Coos Bay, lived in Coquille and needed to commute by public transportation it would be impossible due to lack of regular bus service.