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I strongly oppose the elimination of mail-in ballots in the state of Oregon. Vote by mail makes it easier for rural Oregonians, seniors, and working-class citizens to participate in elections. Our state leads the nation in voter turnout across all demographics, and this is largely attributable to our trusted, effective, and safe system of vote by mail. Mail-in ballots have negligible rates of fraud, compared to in-person voting mechanisms where technical issues and delays can create issues of fraudulent voting or suppressed turnouts. Vote by mail benefits everyone in our state, and our high voter turnouts and successful elections are an example to our nation. This proposed measure would be a step backwards.