Submitter: Zachary Melzer

On Behalf Of: Parkrose Faculty Association

Committee: Senate Committee On Rules

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB210

Dear Senate Committee on Rules and the larger Oregon Legislature, My name is Zachary Melzer, I'm a high school government/economics teacher, neighbor, and father in the Parkrose School District. I am also the local president of our teacher's union and president of the East Multnomah County UNISERV Council, representing the collective organizing of Reynolds, Gresham-Barlow, Centennial, Parkrose, and Corbett teacher unions in collaboration with OEA. This proposal to remove vote by mail is beyond the partisan divides of our party system, it is an attack on democracy. This is a cornerstone of our Oregon democratic system and us as a shining example for the nation that vote by mail works, for all parties and all people. To entertain this bill is a travesty and it should be opposed completely. Do not capitulate to the rising threats to the constitution and the ideals the people of this nation hold.