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Trying to do away with vote by mail is frankly un-Oregonian. We pioneered the practice. I am 42 years old and have never voted at a polling place, nor do I wish to. I appreciate that I can take the time to make good decisions as part of the electorate in the comfort of my own home, where I can peruse the Voter's Pamphlet at my leisure. This is just an attempt to restrict the franchise.

Further, evidence shows that voter fraud is "exceedingly rare" in Oregon. According to Marion County: "From 2000-2019 there were approximately 61 million ballots cast by mail. Of those, only 38 criminal convictions of voter fraud were found. That's only a .00006% rate." There are perhaps a couple of legitimate cases of voter fraud each election, per Deschutes County: "The Oregon Secretary of State's Office reported that in 2020, out of millions of votes cast, residents and local elections officials reported 140 instances of potential voter fraud. Of these 140 cases, four cases were referred to the Oregon Department of Justice and two of those are pending resolution.? By comparison, in 2018 there were a total of 84 total reports of voter fraud. Two were referred to the Department of Justice."

I hope that you all see this for what it is and refuse to move it out of committee.

Thank you for your time.