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I oppose this bill to eliminate mail-in voting for Oregonians. Mail-in voting has proven safe, reliable, and effective, and the only opponents of the convenience afforded mail-in voting are ideologically motivated right-wing operatives, seeking to disenfranchise voters (usually Democratic voters) who have a hard time physically making it to the polls on Election Day, or who simply don't have the time to wait in long voting lines. This brand of disenfranchisement is business as usual in deep red states, and Oregon will not become one of those fascistic states if the people have anything to say about it. This is a period in American history when voting will be more important than ever, and there's no reason to place artificial barriers in the way of eligible voters. Claims from the right of rampant "voter fraud" have always, in fact, been fraudulent claims. Countless studies and data show this. It's a terrible excuse by partisans, not backed up by any data, to grasp at power by the most undemocratic of means.