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Afternoon,

My first thought was what silliness is this? Then I went to, if it ain't broke don't fix it.

Now for my personal story, I am a disabled veteran, have been for more years than I care to think about. I use a wheelchair to get around. I am now old, retired and lazy. I rather cringe at the thought of sitting in a long line, waiting for my turn to vote. And then to find the accessible voting booth is out of order or nonexistent.

Yes, this happens and more often than not.

Did you know, that if you choose to vote in person the county should have provided you the opportunity to do so. Usually in county Administration Building.

That most of us have forgotten about this might be an indicator of how often this method has been requested over the years.

I have already proved I am a citizen, where I live, my age and all the other criteria I would be asked to do the vote in person thing. Why would you want me to do this again?

Vote by mail, allowing folks to get their votes in by giving them an extra day or two.

All the current rules and regulations we currently have in place do more to encourage folks to vote, then not. If you actually want people to get out and vote then you'll do everything to encourage them to do so. Not make it more difficult or create hardships for them.

The proposed legislation will make it more burdensome rather than less. Fewer eligible people will vote and we will wind up with less desirable outcomes.

Sincerely

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