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With regards to Sen. David Brock Smith's attempt to suppress voting in our state, I am adamantly opposed to this blatant attempt to impose MAGA-style limitations on our constitutional right to free and fair elections. For decades, Oregon has led the nation in making voting convenient and easy for all of our citizens. The most important benefit of mail-in voting is that citizens can take adequate time in their own homes to make considered, intelligent choices without feeling rushed or having to wait in line. It is also important for insuring that those with limited mobility or non-standard work schedules have the same access to voting as the rest of us. There is absolutely no evidence that voting by mail is more susceptible to fraud than voting in person. And it negates any attempts by right-wing fanatics to intimidate voters at the polling sites. Oregon must retain our excellent voting system and continue to serve as an example to less enlightened states across the USA.