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My name is Anthony Albelo and I am a university student in Portland Oregon. I have lived in Oregon my entire life and during that time I, my parents, grandparents, friends, and neighbors all voted by mail. It is a tried and true system that has never failed us, and that allows so many people to vote very easily. People with disabilities, single mothers, students like me, all of us would struggle to vote if there was a need to show up in person, or take time to establish special conditions to allow voting remotely.

Secondly, forcing electors to present identification to vote is a dangerous thing. It will disenfranchise many rural and impoverished electors, as both groups often do not have ready access to sufficient documentation to get a passport or "Real ID".

Additionally it opens the way for targeted harassment, as well as preventing people from voting based on their sex, age, place of residence etc. that would otherwise be completely unknown to possibly bad actor election workers.

Overall this bill seems to be nothing more to me than a blatant attack on our election system, designed to facilitate voter suppression, centralize voting infrastructure, and allow bad actors to unduly influence the voice of the people.