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I believe it is an important, and basic civic duty upon each member of our nation, state, and community to vote. Voting is part of the bedrock that has formed this nation. In these turbulent times, doing more to take away the accessibility of voting from the members of the Oregon communities not only harms our ability to engage in basic civic duties, but is also tantamount to an attack on the American Right to voice our needs, opinions, and choose our representatives. If there is an issue with mail security, vote integrity, or budget, I feel there are a plethora of options to explore instead of stripping Oregonians of our ease of access to voting. Should mail in voting be stripped from our systems, this directly impacts the ability to vote of the elderly, those who cannot drive, those who are working in unlivable wages and cannot afford to take time off to vote, rural voters, and so on.

Please, stop wasting the taxpayers' money and time on trying to fix a system that isn't broken. This time could be used better on addressing the housing crisis in our state, education access, healthcare, and securing the rights of our most vulnerable in this state. Thank you.