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My name is Jeanine Comstock and I am a Social Worker with a decade of experience supporting our states most vulnerable populations and I am submitting this testimony in STRONG SUPPORT of Oregon's vote-by-mail system and in FIRM OPPOSITION to any efforts by state Republicans or others to undermine this secure, accessible, and efficient method of voting.

As an Oregonian, I find it absolutely disgusting that any politicians elected by the people would attack a system that has worked successfully in our state for decades—a system that ensures elderly, disabled, rural, and working-class voters can participate in our democracy without unnecessary barriers. Mail-in voting is not only convenient but also CRITICAL for voters with mobility challenges, chronic illnesses, or transportation limitations. Attempts to restrict it are nothing short of voter suppression and targeting those who rely on this method to make their voices heard.

Oregon's vote-by-mail system has been a national model for security, transparency, and voter turnout. There is ABSOLUTELY no evidence of widespread fraud—only evidence that more people vote when given accessible options. Politicians who claim otherwise are either misinformed or deliberately lying to serve partisan agendas.

I urge lawmakers to **protect and expand** vote-by-mail, not sabotage it. Our democracy is stronger when **every eligible voter** can participate easily. Do not let cynical political games strip Oregonians of their rights.

Sincerely,
Jeanine Comstock
Tax paying, voting, Oregon resident.

Thank you very much