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SB210

As a long time Oregon resident I strongly oppose SB 210, which I see as a blatant attempt to suppress voter rights and turnout. Mail in voting has proven to be safe and effective with miniscule voter fraud over the past 30 years, and has resulted in extremely high levels of voter turnout in Oregon. Mail in voting is not just a convenience, it is a way to ensure voters are making informed decisions about candidates and ballot measures. Being able to sit down with my ballot and review initiatives and candidates positions has certainly helped me be confident with the decisions I am making, specifically on down ballot candidates and specific measures. There is no reason that mail in voting should be a bi-partisan issue, it has worked for members of every party for the past 30 years. The only reason the GOP is proposing this measure is to try to limit voter turnout as they believe it would work in their favor as many people, particularly those that are disenfranchised, can not take time off to vote on a weekday in this country. This is yet again a disgusting attempt to quell the voice of the people and I, as an Oregon citizen and voter, am strongly opposed to this measure.