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I oppose this change. Oregon has run elections by mail successfully for years, with low costs, high turnout, and no appreciable fraud.

Democracy benefits from an engaged voting public, and vote by mail removes barriers to participation. Voting happens at the voter's leisure, with plenty of time to consider the issues, but without the need to spend time waiting in line, and without detracting from one's other life priorities.

I'm proud of our system, and I see it as a model for others to follow.