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I am writing to express my deep opposition to this bill. There is no defensible justification to eliminate vote-by-mail other than a cynical desire to reduce the number of voters. We see measures being taken around the country to erect barriers to voting. Oregon should send a loud and clear message, that this anti-democratic, regressive mindset has no place here.

Vote by mail is safe and secure and enables people who have challenges such as disabilities, non-traditional work schedules, and transportation challenges, to vote in the comfort and safety of their own home. Vote by mail is something that I, and many other Oregonians, are deeply proud of. We should be encouraging its adoption across the country, not tearing it down here.

Words truly fail to convey how opposed I am to this and how suspicious I am of the true motivations of its sponsors.

Please vote against this bill.