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Oregon's mail in system is a model all of the US should follow. I, and all of my family and friends love this system because we can take the time to educate ourselves on the issues and the candidates, and vote when we are ready at our convenience. My husband and my neighbors have volunteer during elections and always express how impressed they are with the security and the efficiency of the system. As far as I know very few people have been convicted of voter fraud.

Several years ago my husband broke his wrist before an election and signed his mail in ballot with a cast on his arm. It was returned to him almost immediately saying he need to re-register because his signature did not match what was on file. That was impressive!

I feel the mail in system has made people much more aware of how politics works because it gives them a longer period of time to consider the options. Banning mail in voting hurts people like myself - a senior living in a rural area. I would have to drive at least 6 miles to get to a polling place.

This is a stupid, regressive and unnecessary bill which I assume is being promoted by the most extreme conservatives who do not want democracy to continue.