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This bill is a naked effort at voter suppression. It is very easy, if you restrict voting to in-person on election day, to make voting difficult for people without transportation, or disabled people, or people who live in rural areas, to get out and vote.

Conversely, Oregon's Mail-in ballot procedures ensure that everyone has a chance to study candidates and ballot measures carefully when they vote, rather than feeling rushed by a long line of voters behind them. Furthermore, the safeguards we have established to prevent voter fraud have been enormously successful, despite the truthless claims of many Republicans.

Please keep our voting procedures honest and convenient for all our citizens. Our highly efficient and reliable mail-in voting system is a model of a functional democracy, and is opposed only by those who wish to suppress the vote, by making sure that only those with cars and time on their hands can vote--without taking time to think or read--for the candidate with the most TV ads and glitzy posters due to corporate-funded campaign chests!