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SB210

I've been bragging about Oregon's vote-by-mail system to friends and family ever since I moved here 13 years ago. I kept gushing, "It's like Oregon actually WANTS people to research all the candidates, learn about the measures on the ballot, make informed decisions, and have their vote counted!" Why would anyone want to throw that away?

Voters in other states have to stand in line on a weekday--sometimes for hours--to have their moment in the voting booth. This shuts out many older, disabled, low-income, and/or rural voters, as well as anyone whose schedule is inflexible due to work, childcare obligations, or limited transportation options. This measure is a transparent attempt to prevent large segments of the population from voting.

Vote by mail has worked in Oregon for decades. Looking at the list of public testimony on SB210, and the ratio of opposition to support, vote by mail is wildly popular, as well. Follow the will of the people and oppose SB210.

Thank you.