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I spent 19 months and 8 days in Vietnam before becoming old enough to vote, and have not miss a vote since November 1972 either in person, absentee or by mail during my different deployments while on active duty. Now a 100% disabled veteran I fully appreciate the benefits voting by mail provides me, the comfort to sit in my own home while reading and researching ballot measures and candidates, taking time to consider my choices and carefully preparing my ballot before dropping the ballot in the box in person outside our courthouse. In the past five years political representatives in Salem have made critical changes and errors in our voting system. A. Accepting ballots with postal dates. Ballots are to be in the possession of their county election division on electin night, period! Ballots are currently mailed early enough to complete and returned by election night. B. The DMV Voter Motor rule should be rescinded. DMV employees are not election division employees and should not be forced to be put into that realm. The original vote by mail met the needs of our state, ballots received on Oct 22 can be reviewed, completed and delivered to their election divisions on or before 8 PM election night.