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About 15 years ago or so, my left-handed partner broke his left wrist.

As such, he ended up signing his ballot with his right hand. To both of us, his signature looked close enough.

However, a few weeks later, he received a notice that his ballot was not accepted. And he had to go to the election office, fill out a new signature card and convince them that nobody was committing fraud.

My point is, as far as I can tell, it's hard to commit fraud with Oregon's mailing ballot system. And it makes it infinitely easier for people to vote, which we should be encouraging. Voter turnout is abysmal, usually, and requiring Oregonians to wait in line we'll make it even worse. This is the opposite of what we should want for democracy. We should be doing what we can to encourage people to vote.

But, we are not idiots here. We all know what this is actually about. This is another attempt by Republicans to disenfranchise voters because, well, that's what they do.

I strongly encourage anyone who cares about Oregonians and democracy to vote no on this horrible, idiotic bill.