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On Behalf Of:  
Committee: Senate Committee On Rules  
Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB210

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To: Senator Smith  
From: Susan Reep  
Re: Opposition for SB 210 to require in-person voting in place of mail-in voting

Dear Senator Smith and other sponsors of SB 210:

My name is Susan Reep and I live in Wilsonville Oregon. I'm writing to oppose SB 210. At the risk of sounding simplistic, there is a time-tested saying: if it ain't broke, don't fix it. I'd like to offer the opinion that the voting system in Oregon of mail-in balloting is not broken. In fact, it's the envy of many other states.

Why do I think our system is safe? The Heritage Foundation, a widely respected and trusted conservative think tank, keeps a database of election fraud that has been proven and resulted in convictions for every state in the nation. For the years 2000 to 2019, which are the years for which results are currently available, there have been 17 cases of voter fraud in Oregon. This hardly constitutes a problem nor something to change our system of voting to correct.

That leads me to believe there may be another reason for proposing this change. Perhaps it will make the votes easier to manipulate and make voting less safe. Perhaps it will discourage people from voting and make it more difficult to vote. Let's leave well-enough alone.

I urge you to oppose SB 210. There are real issues we should be applying time and money towards, not false issues whose real purpose is to make voting more difficult.

Sincerely,

Susan Reep