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As a senior citizen who happens to still be working full time I strenuously object to “shifting in reverse” and requiring in-person voting in Oregon. I’m old enough to remember voting at my local polling place. I had to take time off from work and drive down find a parking place, wait in line and hassle with the helpful but near-sighted volunteers who labored to find my name on the voting olls. (No it didn’t discourage me from voting). For decades it’s been easy to sit at home in the evening filling out my ballot with the voters pamphlet close at hand. Voting in person is a productivity killer as well as forcing people to drive to the polls.

I suspect the proponents of this law may be trust-fund kids who don’t have to work (or only have one job). Although I don’t have evidence, I suspect this is a pathetic attempt to discourage voting—probably by somebody who bought one of those little flag pins to wear on their lapel. to prove they are more “American” than the rest of the citizenry. I have to admit that those pins at least expose these characters as fake patriots who just want to order the rest of us around and spend our money.

Keep your mitts off this Cranky Senior Citizen’s mail-in ballot.