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Oregon's vote by mail is a model for the nation. It is safe, secure and provides access to every eligible voter. Changing back to a vote-in-person method would NOT improve security and would disenfranchise many, many voters. It would impact low-income people who work hourly jobs that cannot take the better part of a day to stand in line to vote. It affects the elderly and disabled disproportionately. It would unnecessarily inconvenience everyone else, having to take time off from work to stand outside in likely bad weather for hours. I have long praised Oregon's vote by mail system as stellar and cannot fathom why anyone would want to change it unless their intent was to intentionally prevent people from voting. Strongly, strongly oppose this bill.