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OPPOSE

Oregon's vote by mail system is a proven success, resulting in more thoughtful voting, greater voter participation, and increased convenience. Why would we undo something that's working? Fraud is virtually non-existent. The push to return to standing in line during limited hours at inconvenient polling stations is only meant to decrease voter participation. I work full time and also have chronic illness.

The expectation for everyone to vote in person would cause hardship for many of us. I also worry that some may people may have to face intimidating crowds at polls and fear for their safety. So many people visiting the same locations on the same day would also spread any illness. I believe that politicians who fear increased voting must have positions that are unpopular. There isn't any justified reason to force everyone to vote in person.