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On Behalf Of: SB 210
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SUBJECT: SB 210 CHANGES TO VOTING IN OREGON

Greetings,

This testimony is being made by OLIVER WENDELL COCKRELL, a natural-born U.S. Citizen, now 88 years of age. I live at 7430 S.W. 163 Place, Beaverton, Oregon. My wife and I have lived at this residence for more than 20 years.

I vote at every opportunity. But when I vote, I have to wonder how many other Oregon voters are actually U.S. Citizens who are eligible to cast a ballot.

“Motor-Voter” programs have admitted registration of persons who are NOT legal U.S. Citizens. In such instances, there is NO verification that the person being registered is person he claims to be.

The current “vote-by-mail” procedure is open to countless abuses. Family members, employees, and support staff may complete a ballot intended for a specific voter without his consent.

If I board an aircraft, visit my doctor, open a bank account, or accept “registered” mail at a Post Office, I must provide a valid IDENTIFICATION document: a passport issued by the U.S. Department of State, or other valid document containing my photo. Elections can have lasting consequences; therefore only eligible voters should be submitting ballots.

In the strongest possible terms, I respectfully ask the Oregon Legislature to accept and pass SB 210. The future of Oregon is too important for outsiders to decide.