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Vote by mail is rife with ways to cheat and is corrupt at its core. And the only reason to defend it is that you desire not to have clean elections.

When I ran for reelection, as mayor of a small town in Oregon , a decade ago. I had this system weaponized against me.

When you receive an Oregon voter ballot, you are given a commodity. Your signed ballot can be taken to a bar and traded for a beer, it can be purchased outright by nefarious harvesters, or it can be mishandled by partisan folks in an unprotected chain of custody that can include bad elections employees, public union members of an organization that many in the United States have also lost confidence in, and paid opposition operatives.

And now that the voting process is spread out over many weeks, making any oversight impossible, the ability to cheat is even easier. Not to mention that tens of thousands of returned ballots from the dirtiest voter roles in the nation, that sit in county store rooms. Even as State law says that they are supposed to be destroyed. Not to mention voting machines, programmed by who knows who, that are incapable of repeating results using the same data. And an indefensible amount of printed ballots, unsecured by registered voters, who need not even show identification to register.

All of this has led to large segment of the public losing total confidence in our elections process. As many are sure that they are represented by people who cheated to get their positions.

It's time to let the people vote on how they want their electoral process to proceed in the future. And SB210 should move forward out of committee and into the hands of the electorate.