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Voting is a substantial right of citizens to determine policy and their representatives in government. However, this right is only for citizens and any vote that is by a non-citizen or fraudulent dilutes the votes and the rights of everyone else. It is difficult to determine who is actually casting votes if the identity of the person is not determined when casting the actual vote. This is impossible with vote by mail. Even if an eligible citizen lives at the address where the ballot is sent, there is no reasonable assurance that they are actually filling out the ballot or not under the influence of others when casting their vote. Voting privately and in person, with each voter identified at the time of voting, is the only way to securely cast a ballot.