

To Whom it May Concern:

Rep. Helm suggested I write to make this recommendation to the Joint Committee on Coronavirus Response. To repeat my initial recommendation....

Per the Oregon SOS website, it is illegal to "notarize remotely". See section "Does the signer have to be in Oregon when I notarize?" in the following link:

<https://sos.oregon.gov/business/Pages/electronic-notarization-faq.aspx>

Other states have recently made remote notary public service legal in their states. See this link:

<https://reason.com/2020/03/18/online-notaries/>

Specifically in Montana, my parents home state, they have two unique new online technical notary services, remote online notarization (R.O.N.) and remote notarization. The last service is available in one of only five states in the US. Signers apparently can physically be anywhere in the world.

With elders and the vulnerable being recommended to isolate, having the ability to notarize wills, trusts, medical advanced directives, etc without leaving the home and without seeing an outside person will be vital to public health.

Please get emergency legislation in place to make remote notary services happen.

Best regards,

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