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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Rules

Measure: HB3206

Chair Fahey and members of the committee,

I just wanted to submit a quick note of opposition to HB 3206. I thank the committee for taking up the issue and appreciate the opportunity to watch the hearing yesterday. I'm keenly aware that most of the people opposing this bill "look like me." (Gray haired white guy.) So I mostly tuned in hoping to change my mind. I did not.

Many bills that pass this session will have had their seeds planted many sessions ago and I somewhat hope that is the case here. This bill is just not ready in its current form. There seems to be no current answer to the logistical questions of different ballots and, more importantly, the adherence to the public/privacy guardrails that make Oregon's vote-by-mail system to great.

Thank you again for advancing the conversation but I urge you to not move this bill forward this session.

Thank you.
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