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Before moving to Oregon, I lived in Idaho where voting in person was the standard. There were many times where I felt unsafe voting in person due to the political differences between myself and the majority of people in the voting district. In the small town it was, I knew the poll workers and they knew me as well. The verbal intimidation I experienced leading up to, during, and after elections made voting in person a daunting prospect. Being able to vote by mail provides for safer, more secure elections for me to participate in. Additionally, my work hours don't always allow me to vote during polling hours (emergency services) and the vote by mail system allows me to better participate in elections as well as to be more informed of candidates through the information booklets mailed to me. Please keep the current Oregon system of vote by mail in place.