Submitter: Dana Zachary

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Rules

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB210

Dear lawmakers,
I am writing to oppose this useless and unjust bill.
Voting by mail ensures accessibility, security, and participation in the democratic process. By allowing registered voters to cast their ballots from home, vote-by-mail eliminates barriers such as long lines, transportation difficulties, and scheduling conflicts that can discourage participation. It is particularly crucial for seniors, people with disabilities, rural residents, and those with demanding work schedules. Restricting or criminalizing this option would disproportionately impact these communities, making it harder for them to exercise their constitutional right to vote.

Voting by mail has been proven a secure and reliable method of voting. There is NO evidence of the challenges people who oppose it claim. Oregon has demonstrated its effectiveness in preventing fraud while maintaining high voter turnout. Mailed ballots include verification processes such as signature matching, ballot tracking, and secure drop-off locations, ensuring election integrity. Claims that mail-in voting leads to widespread fraud have been repeatedly debunked by election officials, security experts, and numerous studies. Instead of banning this proven system, we should be expanding and improving it to enhance voter confidence and participation.

Eliminating mail-in voting is an unnecessary step backward in our democracy. Voter suppression in any form weakens the core principles of a free and fair election. In recent years, we have seen record numbers of Americans vote using mail-in ballots, demonstrating that it is a trusted and preferred method for millions. Legislators should be working to remove obstacles to voting rather than imposing new restrictions that serve no legitimate purpose. I urge you to oppose this bill and protect the right of all eligible citizens to vote conveniently and securely by mail.

Please protect vote by mail.