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According to Multnomah County Elections Division, “A Brief History of Vote by mail in Oregon,” Oregon Legislature made VBM permanent in 1987 and over the years voter turnout has increased. Voting is one of the most important rights we have as citizens. Mail-in-voting is an equitable way for all Oregonians to be able to vote. Not everyone is able to leave work, drive/travel to in-person voting sites, seek childcare, and stand in line for hours to turn-in their ballots. By making in-person voting the standard method for conducting an election, you are taking away the ability for many Oregonians to participate in elections that matter to them. Accessibility and ease increases voter turn-out and by removing that, you are silencing Oregonians.

Please consider the equity that is inherent in vote by mail. Don’t take this away from Oregonians who need it most.

Oppose SB210!