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I came from a state that required in person voting and it was very difficult for me to make it out to vote as a solo parent working full time with a kid with disabilities. The lines were often long and unpredictable, and I couldn't always make it due to my kid's needs. When I moved to Oregon I felt that having my ballot mailed to me and being able to mail it back really helped me to feel valued and seen as a citizen whose voice really mattered. It gives me time to review the ballot measures and carefully consider my vote. While I appreciate efforts to make votes more secure, mail in voting is equally as secure as in-person, and it has the extra benefit of removing disparity. I work very hard to provide for my family. Please don't make voting even more difficult for those with less privilege, time, and resources.