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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 3, 2022

Chief Clerk Sekerak
Oregon State Capitol

RE: Vote explanation for SB 1527 (B-Engrossed)

Chief Clerk Sekerak,

I wish to submit the following explanation for my vote on SB 1527 (B-Engrossed).

SB 1527 (B-Engrossed) corrects statutory reference from "return identification envelope" to "secrecy envelope." It also makes several other changes that were necessary due to legislation that was passed last session allowing for ballots to be counted that were post marked on the date of the election but received 7 days after the election.

This bill would not be necessary if the ballot extension had not been passed last session. Oregon has one of the oldest vote by mail systems and continual changes to that system lend to the potential undermining of election integrity. Therefore, I voted no on the bill.

Regards,

Anna