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General Comment

In Virginia, registering to vote by mail was very complex, and it didn't set me up to continue voting by mail, requiring me to re-register for every ballot. But the system didn't send me any kind of notification that it was time to register for the next vote.

Luckily, I found out about the vote in June, and was feeling well enough to manage the in-person voting that day. But that was lucky. It might not have gone that way.

Every state should have a straight-forward way to register to vote by mail, and once registered, there should be a non-partisan reminder by the method of the voter's choice (email, text, or post) for each upcoming vote.

For that matter, every American citizen ought to be able to register for reminders about every vote that comes up, and how to register to vote by mail.

It should be secure, but it shouldn't be complicated.

Finally, my eye-sight is not great, but I manage. Some years from now, I may no longer be able to read the ballot for myself, due to poor eyesight. There should be volunteer corps available to have someone come to the homes of shut-ins who need a reader, who can help them fill out the ballot.

My 2c about access to voting. Thank you for asking.