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Comments: Climbers across the country, myself included, are outraged at the proposals in discussion. Bolts and bolted anchors are essential to the safety of many, whom are learning to climb outdoors, or don't want to risk their lives participating in Trad-style climbing. Climbers represent one of the most environmentally conscientious demographics in the world, and now our safety is at risk? If bolting is outlawed, we will continue to climb. In the coming years, protection will begin to deteriorate, and hundreds, if not thousands will face severe injury or even death. In my opinion, our access to participate in outdoor activities and nature is just as important. Climbers make every effort to maintain parks, forests, mountains, etc. and revolve their lives around this sport. We believe in picking up after ourselves and leaving a minimal impact on the natural landscape. Bolts are LIFE SAVING protection that is absolutely necessary in many circumstances, where cracks are sparse and placed protection isn't an option.