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To: Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee

Subject: Objection to amendment re removing the requirement for ID at State and Local elections

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To Whom it May Concern,

This matter has only just been brought to my attention.

I would like to lodge an objection in the strongest possible terms, to the amendment that would remove the requirement

for voters to produce identification for both State and Local elections.

I fail to see the merit in such an idea. I have worked for 20 years on elections for both Federal and State elections as a Polling official. I have worked in many capacities including recently being the Officer In Charge of a Polling Booth. Everything staff do in a polling booth is to facilitate electors right to vote, and the process of voting democratically.

It is a simple and straightforward process to ask people to produce some form of I.D. Almost everyone attends a polling booth with their wallet or purse and has I.D. with them. It is a simple way of keeping people accountable, and having a transparent process.

There will always be individuals who attempt to manipulate the voting system, but there are other checks and balances within each electoral system to identify and address such attempts.

Don't do away with:

- such a simple procedure that is working effectively, and is an expectation of the community of voters
- communicates a requirement for accountability to the electorate
- -is a transparent process

I don't take issue with the other aspects of this amendment to legislation, but i am vehemently opposed to this particular one.

Yours Sincerely,

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