

May 26, 2025

Chair Roegner, Vice Chair Gavarone, Ranking Member Blackshear, and members of the Senate General Government Committee,

I urge the committee to stop this unnecessary bill. OUR ELECTIONS ARE SAFE. I have had the privilege to work at the polls for many years and I can attest that Ohio elections have been conducted with rigorous safeguards and strong fraud preventive procedures.

We don't have a history of voting issues and this bill is a fix to a problem that does not exist. Furthermore this bill creates unfunded mandates on our county elections boards. We are already spending plenty on elections and this GA felt the need to waste money on a May election for one issue. Please don't put additional burdens on the system that are completely unnecessary.

I ask you to consider my testimony and end this pointless bill.

Sincerely,
James Powell