

## Written Testimony Opposing Senate Bill 153

To All Ohio Elected Representatives.

As a law-abiding and tax-paying citizen of Ohio, I hereby testify that I strongly oppose Senate Bill 153. This bill is nothing more than a solution looking for a problem, intentionally designed to disenfranchise voters using the fig leaf of voter fraud as the excuse. As I am sure you are aware, voter fraud is extremely rare in the State of Ohio—less one half of one percent. And yet this bill is designed to make sure that as many as 12% or more of eligible and legal Ohio voters will not be able to cast a ballot based on minor discrepancies, such as middle initials and name changes due to marriage. The statistic I reference comes from the State of Kansas where a very similar bill with almost identical language was passed, only to be repealed when so many Kansans were denied their legal right to vote by its draconian language.

Senate Bill 153 is morally wrong, undemocratic, and intentionally designed to make voting rights completely diminished in the State of Ohio. I hope and pray our state senators will follow their consciences and vote NO on SB 153.

Respectfully Submitted,

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