

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

Thank you for allowing me to testify remotely. I am a retired broadcaster, mother of two, and Ohio resident of 45+ years currently serving as a poll worker in Canton. I am strongly opposed to SB 293.

There is simply no reason to shrink the four-day window for accepted mailed ballots any further. Rural, elderly, and disabled voters are the most dependent on mail-in ballots, and USPS service is less reliable than ever. SB 293 will not make elections more secure. It will only toss out valid votes of eligible citizens whose ballots arrive “late”, through no fault of their own. This is totally unacceptable.

Please consider my personal testimony and vote NO on this unnecessary and punishing bill.

Thank you again for the opportunity to testify.

Susan Korte