



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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We need election integrity now! Move this legislation along so it can be voted on.



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WITNESS NAME: BENJAMEN SCHATZ		PHONE NUMBER:	
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Our governmental system requires two primary things to survive: Integrity in our voting methodology and Honesty and Reliability in reporting of the results. Without these the voting public loses faith in the process and seeks other means to right wrongs in our government and other methods to make their voices heard. If we do not shore up these pillars of democracy, we will have much more insurrection like we have had after the last two elections: both caused in small and large part due to the distrust of election process



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WITNESS NAME: BRENDA KAY WEST		PHONE NUMBER:	
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WITNESS NAME: CATHERINE BURNS		PHONE NUMBER:	
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NO electronics should be used in elections, only paper and hand counting. Fair elections please voters need to have ID's to vote. NO mail in's



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WITNESS NAME: CELIA GILLAM		PHONE NUMBER:	
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Please vote in favor of this legislation to make Missouri elections fair and honest.



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WITNESS NAME: CHRISTINA M REICHERT		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I fully support this legislation to secure the integrity of the State of Missouri's elections.



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WITNESS NAME: CYNTHIA REDBURN		PHONE NUMBER:	
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Missourians want election integrity and I urge you to support the provisions in this bill that will put on the path to achieving a greater level of security and safeguards against election and voter fraud.



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WITNESS NAME: DAVID LASH		PHONE NUMBER:	
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As an Information Security professional (CISSP, CISA), I am categorically opposed to the use of electronic voting and tabulating equipment in lieu of good old-fashioned reliable paper ballots. No computing system is impervious to design faults or tampering - with or without malicious intent. We need reliable, tightly controlled voting procedures to guarantee a fully reliable, accountable and auditable result and paper ballots issued personally to registered voters who have proven their identity and eligibility to vote in any given election. The chain of custody for ballots is critical and requires that ballots be transported under seal with validation of quantities and serialization at both ends. Open ballot processing with plenty of public visibility and oversight is absolutely necessary to maintain confidence in the election process. This bill covers many of these issues and others and represents an excellent step forward towards assuring electoral integrity.



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WITNESS NAME: DEBBY JONES		PHONE NUMBER:	
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Voter ID will ensure accurate vote count. And stop fraud. Protect my right for freedom is choice at the ballot box. I am a citizen. This is so IMPT to keep our elections secure. Freedom is worth it and will create good opportunity, equal opportunity, and keep America a free nation. This must be done to keep good values in our society. No CHEATING allowed. Thank you.



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WITNESS NAME: DONALD A BICKHAUS II		PHONE NUMBER:	
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Let's make our votes count. We must pass legislation to insure we have accurate and fair elections!



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WITNESS NAME: FRANK AND BEV EGGERING		PHONE NUMBER:	
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We support this bill in order to ensure that we have free and fair elections in Missouri.



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WITNESS NAME: GREGORY COWAN		PHONE NUMBER:	
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We must have election integrity!



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WITNESS NAME: JOHN WEBB		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I am in agreement with the copy of this bill i read. I have question if we need to state that watchers observers need close enough access to processes to testify to the validity of the actions being taken.



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WITNESS NAME: JOSEPHINE BYRNE		PHONE NUMBER:	
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Voter ID, hand counted ballots, etc. These are all imperative to the integrity of our votes.			



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WITNESS NAME: KAREN PRIDEAUX		PHONE NUMBER:	
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Integrity in our election process is imperative. The practice of machine counting in the 2020 election was clear proof that machine counting can contribute to fraud and lack of a paper chain of custody with voting integrity.



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WITNESS NAME: KARIN KRAFT-STUPPY		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I believe voter identification is crucial to a secure one person one vote system. You can't do anything without an ID. Voting is a privilege and voters should really not have an issue showing ID at the polls. I believe hand counting votes would be more secure then electronics given the issues of the 2020 election.



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WITNESS NAME: LEIGHANNE HEISEL		PHONE NUMBER:	
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We need requirements for stronger voter ID, hand counting of all ballots, and elimination of all electronic poll books so as to AVOID any possible controversy of election fraud from any political party or organization. All throughout our daily life we give our photo ID (grocery store, DMV, paying with a credit card, creating a library card) and this is not burdensome requirement.



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WITNESS NAME: MARGARET WELKER		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I believe we need requirements for stronger voter ID, hand counting of all ballots, and elimination of all electronic poll books so as to AVOID any possible controversy of election fraud from any political party or organization. All throughout our daily life we give our photo ID (grocery store, DMV, paying with a credit card, creating a library card) and this is not burdensome requirement.



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WITNESS NAME: MELISSA CAMPBELL		PHONE NUMBER:	
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WITNESS NAME: MICHELE NUNEMACHER		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I support HB738, especially the use of paper ballots, and the stronger voter ID rules. Please note that when this bill continues on, it appears there is at least one place where the term 'electronic voting equipment' has not been deleted (p11, line 9)-confirm whether this should be revised given this term's deletion in many other places.



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WITNESS NAME: NANCY DELCOUR		PHONE NUMBER:	
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WITNESS NAME: PATRICIA ANN SMITH		PHONE NUMBER:	
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In light of the many many allegations of voter fraud in the 2020 election cycle I would like to see stronger laws to prevent against voter fraud in Missouri. Our election process is very important to our democracy, if people have no faith in the election process they will stop voting and we need every vote. We need to ensure that all votes are counted property, that American citizens are the only ones voting. I am in favor of stricter voting laws, as well as, a greater level of transparency that would help to ensure the integrity of our voting process.



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WITNESS NAME: PAUL VENABLE		PHONE NUMBER: 208-550-8150	
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WITNESS NAME: PAULA JUELICH		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I am in support of requirements for stronger voter ID, hand counting of all ballots, and elimination of all electronic poll books in order to ensure election integrity in the state of MO.



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WITNESS NAME: PENELOPE ARUSSELL		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I support HB 738 as we need integrity in our elections. We need voter ID's so we just have alive citizens of the US voting. We need ID, to get on a plane to get in federal buildings, to cash checks, etc. Voting is so important so we need to make sure it is done properly. Also ballots need to be counted by hand with poll watchers from both party present. This will help us have people believe in the fairness of our elections.



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WITNESS NAME: RAY REHDER		PHONE NUMBER:	
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WITNESS NAME: REBECCA RICHARDS		PHONE NUMBER:	
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As we have seen in the last 2 national elections, our election system is broken. Requiring paper ballots, as HB 842 does, it just one step Missouri should take to fix the mess. Missouri also needs to get rid of the electronic ballot reading machines and require that the paper ballots be hand counted.



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WITNESS NAME: RODNEY FARTHING		PHONE NUMBER:	
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As a citizen of Missouri, I am very committed to the support of Election Integrity movement in Missouri. I believe this bill is important and is one step toward regaining and maintaining that crucial security.



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WITNESS NAME: SUSAN KAY VENABLE		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I believe that in view of the disaster caused in the 2020 election that changes need to be made. One very important change that I feel would help stop the misinformation seen on the news media time after time following Nov. 3rd, 2020 would be to have GOVERNMENT APPROVED VOTER I. D.'S COMPLETE WITH A PHOTO OF THE PERSON CASTING HIS OR HER VOTE. In my opinion that would eliminate the conversation that we have illegal voters, dead voters, voters voting more than once, voters that have moved voting at their old addresses as well as their new address, voters that move out of state to vote in their last state by absentee ballot while voting in their new state. Also we need to stop all mail in ballots unless requested by the person and sent to the address on record for that person. No more random ballots being sent to all residences unless requested.



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This bill makes it more difficult for vulnerable Missourians to exercise one of their most fundamental rights and duties. This bill is a slap in the face to Secretary Ashcroft's office, which had tremendous success managing the 2020 elections in Missouri. This bill addresses problems that appear largely phantasmal in Missouri. I strongly urge the good members of the Missouri House to focus on legislation that broadens voting opportunities rather than restricts them.



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I am Opposed to this Bill and more than half of the change and Amendments.



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RE: Testimony in Opposition to H.B. 738 Dear Chairman Shaul and members of the House Elections and Elected Officials Committee: I write in opposition to H.B. 738, being heard before the Committee on March 3, 2021. In addition to mandating hand-counted paper ballots only, which could impede access for voters with disabilities, H.B. 738 impedes efficient election administration by delaying the ability of local election authorities to count absentee ballots and imposes unconstitutional photo ID requirements to vote. The Missouri Voter Protection Coalition, a nonpartisan network of voter advocates in Missouri, supports giving local election authorities more lead time to process and count absentee ballots, and opposes strict photo ID requirements to vote. H.B. 738 would: Prohibit any election changes within six months of an election. This would have prevented the implementation of COVID-19 voting provisions passed by the Missouri General Assembly in response to concerns posed by the COVID-19 pandemic because the measure passed less than six months before the 2020 primary and general elections. Prohibit counting of absentee ballots until after all votes cast on Election Day have been counted, needlessly impeding election administration and delaying results. Missouri already prohibits tabulation of absentee ballots until Election Day. Election authorities need more lead time, not less. Mandate hand-counted paper ballots, further delaying results, and eliminating options for voters with disabilities to cast a secret ballot. Require all in-person voters (including in-person absentee voters) to provide non-expired state issued photo ID issued by the state of Missouri or federal government to vote. The bill eliminates non-photo ID options currently allowed to vote, including a voter identification card issued by the election authority, and eliminates the Secretary of State's obligation to notify voters about voter ID rules. The 2020 elections were marked by increased absentee voting, and showcased why election officials need more lead time, not less, to process and count absentee ballots. Americans waited for days for results from battleground states like Pennsylvania, which prohibits the counting of absentee ballots until Election Day. Many states (including Missouri) allow for the processing of absentee ballot envelopes before Election Day, but prohibit the tabulation and reporting of ballots until Election Day. Missouri law currently prohibits the tabulation and reporting of absentee ballots until Election Day. This measure would delay that further, until after other ballots have been counted. Not only do many states allow the processing of absentee ballots before Election Day, but fourteen states allow the tabulation of absentee ballots before Election Day, even if prohibiting disclosure of that count until after polls close. Other states prevent counting of absentee ballots until Election Day, and a few prohibit the counting until close of polls on Election Day. Only one state provides for the counting of absentee ballots to start after Election Day. Missouri local election authorities applauded the increase in absentee voting in Missouri in 2020, and reported results they characterized as "timely, accurate and secure." Absentee voting benefitted voters and election

authorities alike. Even without the now-expired COVID-19 voting provisions, increased absentee voting is likely here to stay. Unfortunately, H.B. 738 increases administrative burdens on election authorities by postponing their ability to count ballots to a window in which they are already extremely burdened counting Election Day ballots. Indeed, some Missouri election officials have advocated for a greater advance window in which to process and count absentee ballots. Additionally, H.B. 738's hand-counted paper ballot mandate will only generate further delays in election results, and impose additional burdens on local election authorities and voters. While the bill provides for a paper ballot marking device to support voters with disabilities, this will not be sufficient to ensure that all voters can cast a secret ballot. For example, electronic voting equipment with audio features currently allows visually impaired voters to cast a secret ballot, without needing to obtain assistance from someone to read or cast their ballot. The Help America Vote Act of 2002 sought to ensure that voters with disabilities have full and equal access to voting by mandating that every polling place have at least one voting machine accessible to voters with disabilities. Failure to ensure fully accessible voting equipment could contravene this and other state and federal protections. The Americans with Disabilities Act provides that "no qualified individual with a disability shall, by reason of such disability, be excluded from participation in or be denied the benefits of the services, programs, or activities of a public entity, or be subjected to discrimination by any such entity." 42 U.S.C. § 12132. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act provides that "[n]o otherwise qualified individual with a disability . . . shall, solely by reason of her or his disability, be excluded from the participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance." 29 U.S.C. § 794(a). Moreover, Article VIII, Section 2 of the Missouri constitution guarantees the right to vote to all citizens in all elections. Accessible voting equipment is essential to realization of that mandate. Finally, H.B. 738 is fatally flawed by its unconstitutional strict photo ID provision. H.B. 738 imposes a strict photo ID requirement to vote in person (including in-person absentee voting) by eliminating non-photo ID options currently allowed to vote under § 115.427 RSMo. The Missouri Supreme Court has concluded that elimination of Option 2 IDs - as H.B. 738 would do - would create a strict photo ID requirement that would be unconstitutional. It would burden more than 200,000 valid Missouri voters who do not have a non-expired state-issued photo ID. The Missouri Constitution "establish[es] with unmistakable clarity that the right to vote is fundamental to Missouri citizens." *Weinschenk v. State*, 203 S.W.3d 201, 212 (Mo. banc 2006), providing an explicit, affirmative constitutional right to vote more extensive than the federal constitution. Under the Missouri Constitution, any law that significantly burdens the right to vote is subject to strict scrutiny, the highest level of judicial review, a standard that has been reaffirmed by the Missouri Supreme Court in two cases involving photo ID requirements to vote. This is why the Missouri Supreme Court in *Weinschenk* concluded that a strict photo ID requirement imposes "a heavy and substantial burden on Missourians' free exercise of the right of suffrage" in violation of the Missouri Constitution. The passage of Amendment 6 in 2016 doesn't make the photo ID provision in H.B. 738 permissible. In January 2020, in *Priorities USA v. State of Missouri*, the Missouri Supreme Court considered the state's request to strike the non-photo ID options to vote - which is what H.B. 738 would do - and suggested it would not pass constitutional muster. The Court stated that eliminating Option 2 IDs to create a Photo ID-only requirement would have "pose[d] constitutional concerns and could not have been adopted by this Court." 591 S.W. 3d at 459. Because H.B. 738 eliminates the Option 2 (non-photo ID) options for voting, it is similarly unconstitutional. Eliminating the Secretary of State's advance notice obligations only makes it worse. Voters need advance notice of voting rules to navigate voting requirements. Testimony at two recent Missouri voter ID trials revealed widespread confusion by voters and poll workers alike. As the Missouri Supreme Court has recognized, lack of sufficient notice on voter ID requirements can "cause voter confusion and decrease voter turnout." Voters need more notification from their state's chief elections official, not less. H.B. 738's photo ID provision is a solution in search of a problem. Missouri law already requires all voters to produce identification at the polls. There has never been a prosecuted instance of voter impersonation in Missouri - and study after study shows it is exceedingly rare. Instead, H.B. 738 would erect barriers to the ballot for thousands of eligible Missouri voters. Missouri law already provides stiff penalties for voter impersonation. In the midst of a deadly pandemic without the ongoing protections of Missouri's now-expired COVID voting provisions, members of this committee should focus on making voting more accessible rather than again impose additional hurdles for voters and local election authorities. Accordingly, I urge the committee to OPPOSE H.B. 738. Sincerely, Denise Lieberman, General Counsel MISSOURI VOTER PROTECTION COALITION 6047 Waterman Blvd. St. Louis, MO 63112
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This bill should not be passed because it would have prevented the implementation of the COVID-19 voting provisions passed by the Missouri last year. This measure passed less than six months before the 2020 primary and general elections. A number of counting provisions in the bill would delay results, which is not the way we should be going.



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Dear members of the House Elections Committee, I am writing today in opposition to HB 738 which impacts voter ID in the State of Missouri. For the last 7 years, I have worked with college students to further their civic and community engagement at Washington University in St. Louis. Each year, part of my effort has included extending undergraduate and graduate students' knowledge of and participation in elections. In these efforts, I have worked with students to help them understand and navigate the rules to voting in Missouri, to ensure their votes count. Due to this personal experience, I am strongly opposed to any additional limitations on acceptable forms of voter ID. The voter notification card and the student ID are both crucial to ensure that college students can exercise their right to vote. College students, particularly those who are voting for the first time, are overwhelmed by small barriers. They are balancing many priorities, including class, job, and frequently being responsible for their own identification for the first time ever. Being able to use their student ID, which they are required to carry around with them every day, or their voter notification card, which they receive soon before the election, helps ensure that they will not be turned away at the polls. Learning to become an active citizen is a lifelong process, and increasing barriers early on in someone's civic journey may set them back years in participation. Outside of my concerns with students, I am also concerned because of the burden for all the other Missourians who do not have ready access to state-issued photo IDs. According to the Missouri Voter Protection Coalition, more than 200,000 valid Missouri voters do not have a current state-issued photo ID. Getting an ID is an expensive and difficult process, and it would disproportionately burden voters of color and low-income voters. This is unconstitutional. In addition to this, the other provisions included in this bill are extremely worrying. Election officials should not wait until election day to begin counting ballots. Election officials all over the state are hampered by the current requirements, and I hope you will give them more time, not less. In addition, limiting changes within 6 months of an election does not give our elected officials the space to prepare for the unanticipated challenges that may come — such as a global pandemic. In this age of technology and rapid change, there must be flexibility for you and the governor to protect democracy, whatever the circumstances. I urge the committee to stop HB 738. Thank you, Liz Kramer



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I am opposed to HB 738 and cannot understand how such a bill could have been introduced while we remain under the shadow of COVID-19. This past year's COVID-19 voting practices could not have taken place had the provisions within this bill been in place and a vast number of Missouri voters would have been kept from voting due to the dangers posed by the virus. Voting is an inalienable right of U.S. citizens and it is of paramount importance that election laws be flexible enough to respond for any crises that develop. I also oppose eliminating the non-photo ID options currently allowed to vote, including a voter identification card or student ID, and the elimination of the Secretary of State's obligation to notify voters about voter ID rules.



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With more and more people voting (as they should be!) this bill returns us to the dark ages. Is there ANY proof that voting on paper ballots is any more secure than voting on machines that tabulate hundreds of times quicker and more accurately? And why the need to start tabulating on the night of elections? What is wrong with using the time we have to speed voting tabulations? IS THERE ANY REAL PROOF THAT THIS IS A PROBLEM? As for photo ids - this is unconstitutional and merely meant to exclude a certain group of people. That is disgraceful.



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This legislation makes no sense at all to me. Why would we eliminate electronic voting? We need these systems. In St. Louis County we can now vote in any location. This makes it easier on working parents, especially, but it also allows us to find polling places that have shorter lines and are more convenient. Voting should be easy not more difficult. What is the reason for once again imposing impediments on the citizenry? This seems like government overreach we need a broader electronic system that can interface with the department of health to keep voter rolls up to date and can make it easy to move from one part of the state and make registration and voting easier. I have not heard that the electronic ballots do not work in Missouri or have been hacked. I personally prefer a paper ballot, but my greatest preference would be for a mail in voting option, especially for people in my parish who live in neighborhoods where standing in long lines on election day would not necessarily be safe. Stop attacking the people of our state and our rights and start acting on real problems that people are having.



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I oppose HB 738 because it hampers response to emergencies, unnecessarily delays the tabulation of absentee ballots, does not provide viable options for voters with disabilities who wish to vote privately, and creates additional identification barriers. While it is potentially confusing to change laws close to an election, sometimes we must adjust in order to save lives, such as measures taken during the pandemic. Measures designed to save lives. Unfortunately, instead of enabling reason two to work for those who are permanently disabled as well as those who face current health concerns and conditions, this bill further limits the flexibility of a measure that currently exists. What would be even more effective, is to expand opportunities for everyone who is qualified to vote—no excuse absentee voting, expanded genuine early voting, and mail in voting for everyone. All these measures actually provide opportunities to secure the rolls, are more efficient for voting authorities, and we would not spend time sorting those qualified voters who deserve to vote and those who don't because of circumstances. Delaying the counting and preparation of absentee votes is very curious. It would perhaps make sense if sufficient funds were made available to every voting jurisdiction so that judges used for prep could be at the polls, reducing lines in many locations. This obviously is not the reason because no statement or funds are presented for this reason. Personally, I don't mind not knowing the results right away. However, this would be quite a burden on our voting authorities. Are you trying to sow seeds of doubt in the election? I am an advocate of hand marked, hand counted paper ballots. I have had problems with voting machines myself. It is obvious when there is a problem with an election, ballots are counted, when they exist. However, there MUST be made available voting machines for those with disabilities who wish to cast a private ballot and do not want someone helping them. Also, some people don't have someone they trust to mark their ballot for them. I believe that voting is the cornerstone of democracy. I trust the process. I believe we have a more stable society when people have a voice. That means sometimes the candidates I support lose and sometimes they win. What I don't want is an election process that does not allow all who are qualified to vote. There is no significant in-person voter fraud and requiring difficult to acquire unexpired photo ID would exclude qualified voters from casting a ballot—excluding more people, than any evidence of voter fraud has ever demonstrated over 10 years in the entire United States over ten years. Even a study conducted during the Trump administration found little fraud, mostly irregularities that could be solved. How is this not stealing votes? It is cynical and damaging to democracy to sow the seeds of distrust by creating barriers that impact military and business families stationed abroad, the elderly (my uncle doesn't have a birth certificate but he has several medals of honor from WWII), those working multiple jobs, those away taking care of family members, those in poverty, and people of color. I want to be proud that my state stands for what is best for all.



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Missouri NEA Testimony on HB 738 to the House Elections and Elected Officials Committee March 3, 2021 The Association appreciates the opportunity to present written testimony regarding HB 738. The Association opposes the bill as filed. Missouri NEA believes that the constitutional right to vote should be guaranteed to all citizens. The Association encourages the legislature to enact legislation to simplify voting, improve absentee voting provisions, and ensure uniform residency requirements throughout Missouri. The Association also believes that the human and civil rights of individuals with disabilities must be protected. In contrast to these suggestions, HB 738 would eliminate non-photo ID options currently allowed for registered voters. This provision is not needed. Further, the Association expects that this requirement would make voting more difficult for many Missouri voters. Many currently and properly registered voters do not have a government-issued photo ID that meets the new requirements of this bill. The bill also changes the law to eventually disallow electronic voting machines and other emerging technologies that can help disabled and visually impaired voters. Missouri NEA opposes barriers that keep eligible citizens from voting and being politically active and thus opposes HB 738. On behalf of the Association, I thank you for the opportunity to offer our testimony on the bill. Otto Fajen MNEA Legislative Director



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**There is no reason to further suppress the votes of our citizens. There is no evidence of voter fraud.
This is an obvious attempt to harm our most vulnerable citizens from their democratic right.**



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Dear Committee Members, We urge you to oppose HB 738. While the bill is flawed for several reasons, we will focus on photo ID. Voter ID is unconstitutional and we know the results. When states implement voter ID, voters, especially voters of color, elderly voters, and low-income voters stand to miss out. Nationally, thirteen percent of Blacks, 10 percent of Hispanics, compared to 5 percent of white voters do not have a government-issued photo ID. For low income people, especially those who are transient, government issued IDs are extremely difficult to procure with a frequent catch-22- you cannot get an ID without an address, you cannot procure housing without an ID and, to make matters worse, IDs are expensive. This past August, the price for a non-driver's license ID in the state of Missouri increased has from \$11 to \$18. For a person living on the edge, those dollars matter. According to Project Vote, twelve percent of adults living in a household with less than \$25,000 annual income lack photo ID, compared to just 2 percent in households with over \$150,000 annual income. Voting is not just for those who have the money to pay for their rights. Voting is a fundamental right. By imposing voter ID requirements to vote absentee in person, HB 738 narrows the very limited early voting available to voters. On the ground, this bill removes non-photo ID options for voters and will require voters who lack an ID at the time of voting to cast a provisional ballot which will not count unless they return with an ID on Election Day. Strict photo ID requirements are unconstitutional and burden more than 200,000 valid Missouri voters who do not have a current state-issued photo ID. Photo ID requirements disproportionately impact communities of color and the elderly. The Missouri Supreme Court in its two cases involving photo ID requirements to vote, including a decision in January 2020 stated that both the right to vote and right to equal protection under the Missouri constitution are "even more extensive than those provided by the federal constitution." Repeatedly, Missouri's Supreme Court has concluded that a strict photo ID requirement for voters imposes "a heavy and substantial burden on Missourians' free exercise of the right of suffrage" in violation of the Missouri Constitution. We urge you to vote in opposition to HB 738. Where is the need to make voting harder in Missouri? We do not have early voting or even no-excuse absentee voting. Let's focus on increasing voter turnout and engaging everyone in the democratic process instead of restricting access to the ballot box. We urge you to vote "no" on HB 738. I look forward to your questions.



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I oppose this bill as it rejects adoption of 21st century technology and will only slow the tabulation of election results, further undermining confidence in the electoral process.



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Prohibiting any election law changes within six months of an election would have prevented the implementation of the COVID-19 voting provisions passed by the Missouri General Assembly last year. Those measures passed less than six months before the 2020 primary and general elections. This bill would delay ballot counting until after all other Election Day ballots have been counted. Election authorities need more lead time to process and count absentee ballots, not less. The bill eliminates non-photo ID options currently allowed to vote, including a voter identification card or student ID, and eliminates the Secretary of State's obligation to notify voters about voter ID rules. This is an undemocratic voter suppression bill.



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