To:
Erin Seller and Zoe Lamer,

Please include the following testimony in the record for HB2177 Public Hearing, Feb 2nd, 2015 at 3 PM
Unfortunately, I am unable to attend the hearing.

Please confirm your receipt of my testimony. Thank you and have a great day!

According to the federal government's own surveys (1), the claim that the single greatest cause of voting problems in the United States is the voter registration system is **false.**

The greatest causes of individuals not registering and not voting are their **lack of interest in politics and candidates** and other reasons that have nothing whatsoever to do with registration or lack of registration.

Requiring automatic registration from government databases risks the integrity of the election process and **improperly shifts the responsibility for registering from the individual to the government.**

There are too many unresolved problems with this bill including the potential to inadvertently register people that do not meet the legal requirements to vote.

Please vote NO on HB 2177.

[1] George F. Will, *Mandatory Voting: Is This the Obama Administration Xs Goal?* Investor Xs Business Daily, Dec. 18, 2012, *available at* http://news.investors.com/ibd-editorials-on-the-right/121812-637540-no-evidence-automatic-voter-registration-needed.htm?p=full.

Portions of this testimony are from: Mandatory Voter Registration: How Universal Registration Threatens Electoral Integrity **By Hans A. von Spakovsky**

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