

Election reform on the ballot testimony

I believe that this ballot reform will increase the security of our election system, because it requires electors to present a valid government issued ID when voting in person or by mail. Everyone has to present an ID when flying, or at the DMV, or opening a bank account. All of these things could be tampered with, causing harm to people if the use of ID's was not enforced. So why should our election system be any different?

Also, by requiring a deadline for ballots to be turned in, I believe that there will be a much higher incentive to get them, because if they aren't turned in on time , you don't get to vote. This I believe will also reduce the margin of error in counting votes, because there won't need to be re-counts, unless something unexpected happens.

Finally, I believe that removing the requirement for the state to pay for postage for ballots returned by mail will incentivise voting in person. It is much harder to manipulate votes when it is done in person, thus making our election system much more secure.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in this matter.

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