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Testimony to the House Committee on Elections

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PROPONENT, OPPONENT, or NEUTRAL: Opponent
ORAL or WRITTEN ONLY TESTIMONY: Written Only

Dear Chair & members of the committee,

I am writing to voice my opposition to bill HB2056.

This bill discriminates against the homebound, the working class, the college student, the traveling employee and so many more by not allowing them the full election cycle to educate themselves, take in the most current information, and consider which candidates to vote for. Cutting off their decision-making and forcing citizens to vote two, three, five or more business days (depending on where they are at the time they need to mail their ballots) prior to Election Day, impedes on their right to vote.

It is discrimination and, quite frankly, something I cannot believe any Constitution-adhering member of the legislative body would support.

I strongly oppose HB2056 and the discrimination it promotes and implore you to do the same.

Thank you for your consideration.
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