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**Written Testimony in SUPPORT of SB 738**

Chairman and members of the Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee, I am here to introduce and voice my support for Senate Bill 738 – *Secure Elections Act of 2022*.

Senate Bill 738 would require the State Board of Elections, in collaboration with the local boards, to conduct an audit of absentee ballots cast in each statewide election. The audit would consist of verifying the voter's signature for each selected ballot and would require the audit be expanded if a certain threshold is exceeded.