Senator Brian J Feldman, Chair and Members of the Education, Energy and Environment Committee Maryland State Senate Annapolis, MD

RE: SB0567-Elections-In Person Voting-Proof of Identity- FAVORABLE

Dear Chairman Feldman and Members of the EEE Committee,

As I am sure you are all well aware, recent polls have indicated that Marylanders' faith and confidence in fair elections has plummeted since 2020. I am strongly urging you to render a FAVORABLE report for SB0567. The provisions of this bill put in place some of the necessary safeguards to preserve election integrity and, once again, instill faith and confidence in fair election results.

If you think about it, proof of identity is required for many activities performed throughout the state; purchasing alcohol, cigarettes, or gun; applying for welfare, food stamps or unemployment, and the list doesn't stop with these few examples. So, it would make sense that if undeniable proof of identity is required for these activities, as well as activities too numerous to mention here, undeniable proof of identity should be required of all Marylanders in order to cast a legitimate vote in a local, state, or federal election.

Therefore, I am asking that you return a FAVORABLE report for SB0567.

Thank you for your time.

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