

Testimony Against SB0342

Honorable Senators

Please enter an unfavorable report against SB0342.

I am against prohibiting the imposition or application of a method for electing the governing body of a county or municipality that impairs the ability of members of a protected class to elect candidates of the members' choice or influence the outcome of an election by diluting or abridging the rights of voters who are members of a protected class.

This bill seems to make it easy to claim that if a group in a protected class cannot get the candidate they want elected, then the election process or the precinct boundaries must have diluted their ability to get the outcome they desired or polarized voting must have occurred.

If so, then many election results can be questioned and delay the results as suits are brought to change the outcome. This bill could bring chaos to an election process already suspected by many to have integrity.

Please vote against HB0342.

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