

Testimony For HB0680

Honorable Delegates

Please enter a favorable report for HB0680.

I support:

- requiring each municipality to require voter registration for its elections; and
- prohibiting an individual from becoming registered to vote in a municipal election if the individual is not a citizen of the United States.

Some may argue that since a subset of the non-citizens are contributing to society and even paying taxes, that they should have a voice in selecting their municipal leaders.

I disagree.

A citizen of the United States should have more rights and privileges than a non-citizen, both legal and illegal.

Besides voting, what else distinguishes a citizen from a non-citizen? Non-citizens can own property, drive, and have the same constitutional rights as citizens.

If the non-citizens can be given the most sacred right of a citizen, the right to vote, why should non-citizens bother with going through the time consuming and costly process of naturalization?

Please enter a favorable report for HB0624.

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