

Written Testimony for **HB 67: Election Law - Absentee Ballots - Signature Requirements and Verification:** Please **VOTE YES** on this bill.

Dear Ways & Means Committee:

This bill's "summary" is as follows: **Synopsis**

Prohibiting a local board of elections from removing an absentee ballot from a return envelope or ballot/return envelope or counting the ballot unless the return envelope or ballot/return envelope is signed by the voter and, except under certain circumstances, a witness and the local board verify the voter's signature; and providing that the witness signature requirement does not apply to active duty uniformed services members serving overseas or their spouses or dependents who live overseas

I agree that we should have voter identification in every election in the United States. Otherwise, how do we know that the person returning the absentee ballot is the same person that is registered with the Board of Elections with that name?

No one should be able to vote under anyone's name or identity, as that would be a form of identity theft and voter fraud.

Please **VOTE YES** on this bill in order to protect our elections from voter fraud!!

Thank you.

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