Witness:	Katherine Strauch Sullivan
Jurisdiction:	Baltimore County
Bill:	**HB0067** Election Law - Absentee Ballots - Signature Requirements and Verification
Sponsor:	**Delegate R. Long**
Position:	**FOR**

1. Signature verification is an essential step to guaranteeing the person who voted is who they say they are.
2. *20% of Americans admitted to voting for someone else. Signature verification would set up a necessary backstop to this happening.*
3. A statewide canvass identified 20 voters who are listed on our official Maryland state voter rolls as having voted but when asked to confirm they voted in the 2020 election, said they did NOT vote. This proves people are actively stealing registrations to vote on behlf of other people. **Every fraudulent vote dilutes honest votes!!!!!**

We are in a crisis of confidence. 67% of voters do not trust in our elections. Let's change that! Let's put every effort into showing the Marylanders we are sincere in wanting secure and accurate elections!

We can all agree that we only want legal votes to count. With signature verification, we can help voters trust that everyone voting is who they say they are while at the same time improve election administration.

Respectfully,

Katherine Sullivan