

Monday, February 9, 2026

**Testimony for HB 219 -  
Maryland Voting Rights Act of 2026  
Voter Intimidation and Suppression**

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Dear Delegate Smith and Committee Members,

I, Cynthia Sokolow of Ellicott City, MD, am writing to offer favorable testimony of HB 219.

Sadly today, voters need more protections at the polling locations than ever before. Marylanders must feel safe and assured their votes are counted. Voting is everyone's civic duty and should never be impeded.

Passing HB 219 would enable voters to participate in the election process safely and feel confident that the results are 100% lawful.

I urge you to vote YES on HB 219.

Thank you,

Sincerely,

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