

Testimony on HB 219

Government, Labor and Elections Committee

Maryland Voting Rights Act of 2026 - Voter Intimidation and Suppression

Position: Favorable

My name is Julia Nichols, and as a citizen of St. Mary's County, I strongly urge the Committee to pass HB 219 to prevent voter intimidation and suppression.

The protections outlined in HB 219 are essential to ensuring that all Marylanders, particularly those from historically disenfranchised communities, have the equal opportunity to elect representatives of their choice. Considering what has been happening at the federal level, it is even more imperative now that Maryland protect the rights of all voters.

I strongly and respectfully urge a favorable vote on HB 219.