

ATTENTION: House Rules Chair and Representative Members

Having read House Bill 2177 and State Elections Director Jim William's responses to questions about the reliability of having various State agencies automatically registering people to vote, I urge the House Rules Committee to oppose HB 2177.

Here are my reasons:

1. There is no assurance that that only citizens are registered to vote.
2. The bill relies on people who do not qualify to vote but were registered to opt out in 21 days. No action, i.e. silence, on the part of the person constitutes a successful registration. Silence is NOT consent and should not be taken as such.
3. A better use of time would be to clean up the current voter database by removing deceased voters as well as any questionable registrations.

In closing please reject HB 2177

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