Dear Senate Rules Committee:

Honorable Senate Majority Leader and Senate Rules Committee Chair **Ginny Burdock**, Senate Republican Leader and Senate Rules Vice Chair **Ted Ferioli**, and **Committee Members**:

I am opposed to SJR2 for the following reasons!

Decrease the days between the voter registration deadline and the election, which will add chaos to the election process. These should be separate events. If you pass this bill it will:

· Increase pressure on county officials to process last-minute registrations while conducting an election.

• Increase provisional ballots, making the processing of election counts more difficult, and may result in some ballots not being counted.

• Increase need and cost for staffing; in some of our election offices, space is at a premium, which complicates the staffing needs.

• When a person registers through DMV, their identity and address is established with documentation, and is verified. However, If the voter is one of the thousands of Non-HAVA-compliant voters, because they have not provided ID, and only attested to the fact that they are a citizen, and they have to come into the office for their registration and ballot, <u>their address would not even be verified for a mail-in</u> <u>ballot before they vote</u>. This increases opportunity for fraud!

Please REJECT this bill. Vote NO!

Thank you for considering my comments,

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