Honorable Chair Senate Majority Leader Ginny Burdick, and Senate Rules Committee, I am opposed to SB1509.

Allowing the contents to be removed from their secrecy envelope prior to election day makes the ballot selection of the voters know to at least the persons opening those ballots. It is also impossible for citizen observers to monitor the "live" ballots for length of time. One full week prior to the election 24 hours a day. At least shorten this time to 2 days prior to the election and specifically allow observers to observe the ballots safety during the entire time the ballots are out of their secrecy envelope.

In my observation of the election process I see historically that about 1/3 of the ballots come in by the Friday before the election. Less than 1/3 come in on the Monday before the election and a little over 1/3 come in on election day.

Thank you for your consideration of citizens concerns.

Best Regards,

Janice Dysinger

President

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