

Submitter: Tricia Hafner
On Behalf Of:
Committee: House Committee On Rules
Measure: HB2107

Chair Fahey and members of the rules committee:

I am writing today to ask you to vote no on HB2107. This pilot program will mix voter registration with health records. I feel these should not be intermingled. Health insurance is where I go expecting to get coverage not to be asked if I wish to be registered as a democrat, republican or non-affiliated voter. Personally when registering for health insurance I would find this questionable and slightly offensive. We have a county clerk that you can go to and become registered to vote, doing it automatically thru insurance when released from prison or any other time seems like a dis-empowering move. One should be taught that you as a citizen have a right to vote and if you wish to execute that right here are the steps you can take. Not just being signed up for something you may not be interested in.

We spend over a million dollars printing and mailing voters their ballots, and return envelopes when people wish to not vote this is money wasted. Many counties get 50-80% voter turnout, this is hundreds of thousands of dollars wasted every election. I know we could use this money elsewhere so please vote no on HB2107 and allow only those who wish to vote to be registered.

Thank you for reading my testimony

Tricia Hafner