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I strongly oppose the changes this bill would make to our system of free elections. Voting needs to be a TRANSPARENT process and to continue to be a matter of public record. Signature verification does NOT in any way impare privacy or the secret ballot. Access to CVR, cast vote records, needs to be free or affordable in all State Counties. Election workers are PUBLIC SERVANTS and it is NOT harassing to ask them to do their job! Text of the bill states "harassing or annoying" - who knows what "annoys" another person, and annoying a public servant should not be a crime! If implimented, verification of write-in candidates votes would be impared. This bill may also eliminate public verification of signatures on the ballot envelope, which is the RIGHT of the public to observe and insure that fair and transparent elections be preserved. We need to maintain the precinct numbers on the list of electors. This is a terribly written bill!