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# TESTIMONY OF THE

## CHIEF ELECTION OFFICER, OFFICE OF ELECTIONS

### TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

### ON HOUSE BILL NO. 1472, HD 1

### RELATING TO THE WITHDRAWAL OF PETITION SIGNATURES

March 18, 2022

Chair Rhoads and members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary, thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of House Bill No. 1472, HD 1. This bill amends the information necessary for a voter to withdraw their signature from a petition under election laws.

This bill is a housekeeping measure to standardize the requirements for a signatory to remove their name from a petition to match the withdrawal requirements of a signatory to a nomination paper. The petitions include qualifying as a political party or appearing as a presidential candidate.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of House Bill No. 1472.