



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF CONNECTICUT, INC.

CGA Government Administration and Elections Committee

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Comments provided by: Susan Voris, Election Laws Specialist, League of Women Voters of Connecticut

Support for: **SB 214 AA Concerning Permanent Absentee Ballot Status For the Permanently Disabled.**

My name is Susan Voris. I am the Election Laws Specialist for the League of Women Voters of Connecticut. As a state-wide organization with over 1800 members, the League is dedicated to improving the electoral process.

**SB 214 AA Concerning Permanent Absentee Ballot Status For the Permanently Disabled.**

The League supported passage of the law that granted permanent absentee ballot status for the permanently disabled. The League supports SB214, which makes the absentee ballot status permanent. Removal of the application for an absentee ballot lessens the burden on permanently disabled in casting their ballot, while a verification process is in place to determine the elector's eligibility to vote within a municipality during the year.

The League urges the Committee to support SB214 to protect and support our most vulnerable voters.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.