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Subject: Comments on SB Bill 1051

I have been a Registrar of Voters for the past eight years. Prior to becoming a Registrar of Voters, I worked for a Fortune 500 Company and have been in a managerial and technical position in the information technology arena for 35 years. I would like to provide my comments on Bill 1051. Lastly, I would like to include my own ideas on how to improve the Registrar of Voters positions. :

- I agree that there must be certification process for Registrar of Voters.
- I do not agree with the recommendation for 1 Registrar of Voters. I believe the current process works well in most towns. I recommended : a task force be establish to recommend alternative(s) where a town is having difficulty in filling the Registrar of Voters position. Possible solution could be: split the job functions between day-to-day voter registration activity and the election process; since the SOTS has the mission for the election process build a temporary staff organization that can fill with qualified individuals trained by the SOTS to fill the gap on interim basis. The SOTS would charge the town for this service; Legislation should be implemented that the SOTS can recommend to the State Attorney General to remove a Registrar of Voters if their performance is unacceptable.

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