



**GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE  
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**HB 5390 An At Concerning Written Instructions and Opinions From The Secretary of the State**

Senator Cassano, Representative Jutila, and members of the GAE committee, my name is Sue W. Larsen, and I am a Registrar of Voters in South Windsor and the Legislative Committee Chairman for ROVAC. I am here today to support HB 5390.

In today's age of technology and information, to request an online archive of the Secretary of the State's directives seems prudent. Election laws are not simple to interpret and not always consistent between the types of elections, primaries and referenda. Registrars of Voters would appreciate an online source to reference in order to insure elections, primaries and referenda are done fairly, efficiently and to the letter of the law. This capability by the Registrars of Voters will be another source of training and education by allowing them the research capability to grow in their positions.

We hope the Secretary of the State would welcome this also. The Secretary's staff currently has to field questions over and over since there isn't one location to refer to. This eliminates the burden of having to field multiple calls on a single topic, and they could be relieved to do other tasks that have been taking additional time as they attempt to answer and solve the issues facing Registrars.

Ensuring all Registrars have access to the same, consistent information is key, and we hope you consider this and respectfully ask you to pass HB 5390.

Thank you for allowing me to testify and I will be available to answer any of your questions.