

March 8, 2019

Chairpersons, Flexer, and Fox, and Committee Members  
Government Administration and Elections Committee  
Legislative Office Building, Room 2200  
Hartford, CT 06106

**Re: Written Testimony in Support of the Early Voting Amendment Bill, HJR 161.**

Dear Chairpersons Flexer, and Fox, and Committee Members:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this written testimony in support of HJR 161, a "**Resolution Proposing an Amendment to the State Constitution to Allow for Early Voting and No-Excuse Absentee Voting.**"

My name is Julia Regan, and I am submitting testimony in strong support of **HJR 161.**

My daughter and I who are both eligible to vote often travel overseas; it would be a great deal more convenient to be able to vote early rather than by absentee ballot. Also I think it would encourage so many voters who find it difficult to take the time off work to stand in line.

Personally I'd be all in favor of Presidential voting day being made in to a national holiday to underline just how important this right is to the people and encourage them to exercise it.

It's time to join 40 other states and give us greater access to voting by making it more convenient here in CT. I urge you to consider your constituents' wishes, vote in favor of HJR 161, and allow us to have a say on early voting.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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