

House Joint Resolution No. 161

Senator Flexer, Representative Fox, and distinguish members of the Government Administration and Elections Committee

My name is David de Milhau

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I'm testifying in support of House Joint Resolution No. 161

A resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution to allow for early voting and no-excuse absentee voting.

For the following reasons:

- Early voting and no-excuse voting will get more people involved in the electoral process and strengthen our democracy.
- Amending the constitution is a big step. I believe expanding voter access to the polls is an important enough reason to warrant a constitutional amendment.
- People will be able to consider candidates and issues when it's convenient for them and make a better decision on how they want to vote.
- It could be enabling for under advantaged people
- Over the last several decades there has been a trend for people to work longer hours and commute longer distances to run from work, so it has been getting harder for people to go to the polls.
- Increasing voter access to the polls should stimulate interest and get people to focus on important issues.

Please support and vote for House Joint Resolution No. 161.

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