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Cc: Senator Mary Souza
Subject: Senate Bill 1103

Chairman Mortimer,

I urge support for Senate Bill 1103 for the reason that it will increase voter turnout for school district elections.

Our local school district covers an area with approximately 50,000 to 60,000 constituents. It serves over 10,000 students. Yet in a recent school board election, a seat was won with just over 200 votes. The total turnout for that seat's election was around 400. This turnout is in no way representative of the entire district, where we routinely get close to 20,000 voter turnout on even-year elections.

The public's voice is important. I urge the committee to recommend a do-pass on this bill and move it forward to the full Senate for consideration.

Thank you,
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