

Joyce Brewer

From: Jo Dee Arnold [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, February 23, 2023 8:32 AM
To: Joyce Brewer; Senator Jim Guthrie; Senator Treg Bernt; Senator Chuck Winder; Senator Kelly Anthon; Senator Mark Harris; Senator Abby Lee
Cc: Senator Ben Toews
Subject: HB0058 Vote YES and HB0138

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Dear Senator,

I have been a poll worker and value my time.
Lets save some money and valuable time and consolidate our elections!

Thank you for voting YES on HB0058 and HB138.

Jo Dee Arnold
Nampa
Sent from my iPhone

Joyce Brewer

From: josephfruitfulbaugh [mailto:josephfruitfulbaugh@protonmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 23, 2023 1:59 PM
To: Joyce Brewer
Subject: Yes on HB 58

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To whom it may concern, please vote yes on HB58. Citizens are tired of being harassed into voting constantly on school bonds and levies in separate elections from the primaries and general elections.

Sent from Proton Mail mobile

Joyce Brewer

From: Melissa Blevins <[REDACTED]@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, February 24, 2023 8:52 AM
To: Joyce Brewer; Senator Jim Guthrie; Senator Treg Bernt; Senator Chuck Winder; Senator Kelly Anthon; Senator Mark Harris; Senator Abby Lee; Senator Ben Toews
Subject: Vote YES on HB-58 to Consolidate School Levy/Bond Elections

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Dear Senators:

I am a constituent. Please vote YES on HB-58 to consolidate school levy and bond elections to occur only during primary and general elections, and to omit interim elections.

Interim elections cost tax payers way too much money to hold, especially for the low voter turnout they produce. Last year, in the school district I reside, less than 600 people showed up to vote on the March interim election. A meer 300 some voted to pass the bond, burdening the whole community with an extra \$120 per \$100,000 of ASSESSED value on their homes. That's nearly an extra \$400 per year I'm paying for this bond. In a time where home values are inflated, this has created a major hardship on us who are already feeling the squeeze with the skyrocketing cost of everything else. You, as legislators know that one of the top priorities your citizens want you to help relieve is property taxes.

The lack of public awareness and advertising for these interim elections, especially during a summer month (August), and coincidentally during spring break in March, when many are vacationing, also creates low voter turnout, at a cost of about \$30,000 to tax payers for holding these interim elections.

It seems to me, that only those involved in the schools would know about these elections, which to me, seems to skew the vote. I don't believe that is fair.

Having school bond and levy elections on the ballot during primary and general elections only makes sense when citizens are aware that it's time to vote, and are voting on MULTIPLE items, not a single, expensive one thing, that only a few hundred are aware of.

Please vote YES on HB-58.

Thank you,

Melissa Blevins
Caldwell

Joyce Brewer

From: Lynda Fioravanti [redacted]
Sent: Thursday, February 23, 2023 1:53 PM
To: Joyce Brewer; Senator Jim Guthrie; TBrent@senate.idaho.gov; Senator Chuck Winder; Senator Kelly Anthon; Senator Mark Harris; Senator Abby Lee; Senator Ben Toews
Subject: School Bond & Levy HB58 -YES PLEASE!

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Dear Senators,

I urge you to vote YES on HB 58 which takes away school bonds and levys being voting on except for May and November. This is a Wonderful bill! It is so hard to get people out to vote for a March or August school issue and yet it affects their schools and taxes greatly. Please vote YES on HB 58.

I appreciate your consideration.

Wishing you the best,

Lynda Fioravanti, Bonners Ferry

Lynda Fioravanti

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Joyce Brewer

From: Tricia Friedrich [redacted]
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 10:02 AM
To: Joyce Brewer
Subject: H0058 - Amends existing law to remove school bond and levy election dates in August and March.

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Pass this, as my Senator that is why you were elected. To keep things streamlined, cost efficient and in check.

I vote

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Tricia Friedrich
Twin Falls.

Joyce Brewer

From: God's Children [redacted]
Sent: Thursday, February 23, 2023 10:54 AM
To: Joyce Brewer
Subject: Vote yes on hb58

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Please vote yes on this common sense bill! Thank you!

Joyce Brewer

From: D H [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, February 23, 2023 10:03 AM
To: Joyce Brewer; Senator Jim Guthrie; Senator Treg Bernt; Senator Chuck Winder; Senator Kelly Anthon; Senator Mark Harris; Senator Abby Lee; Senator Ben Toews
Subject: HB58

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Please vote in support of HB58 and require Idaho schools to present their levies and bonds at the general elections. This is will reduce costs to the state and more importantly allow more citizens input on school funding. I have noticed the School Districts are taking advantage of these less known elections and their captive audience of students and teachers to advocate for their levies while most of the community is unaware. I believe some school districts are violating ID 74-602 by using school funding and resources, such as staff time, to campaign in favor of their levies. I would hope the representatives would look into this abuse.

Please vote for HB58!

Thank you
Dianne Herz
Coeur d Alene Idaho

Joyce Brewer

From: Christine Kirby [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, February 23, 2023 9:38 AM
To: Joyce Brewer
Subject: SB1100 & HB58

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Hello,

Please vote NO on SB1100 to protect our children. We should not be advocating for this gender identity. Children are just that, they are children and need to be protected. They don't have the maturity to be making these decisions yet. Protect the ones who are not identifying with this and will feel uncomfortable.

Please vote Yes on HB58!!

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Christine Kirby

Joyce Brewer

From: K Kno [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, February 23, 2023 8:50 AM
To: Joyce Brewer
Subject: Vote yes on HB 58

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Dear Representative Staf,

I please be efficient with government spending, especially election for school levees every single year is not an official use of taxpayer fax. It takes money out of the election districts budget. Levy elections should be held during the regular general election like every other issue. Please vote yes on HP 58.

Sent using Zoho Mail

Joyce Brewer

From: linda [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2023 10:03 AM
To: Joyce Brewer
Subject: School bond & levy election dates

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If school bond & levy election dates coincided with May & November elections, it would save the state a lot of money. Please allow H0058 to go to the floor. Thank you. Linda Gooden.

Sent from my iPhone

Joyce Brewer

From: Ashley Mujagic [mailto:ashmujagic@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 23, 2023 11:45 AM
Subject: YES to HB58

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I know you're getting tons of emails right now I'll make it short and sweet: Please vote in support of HB58.

Consolidating school bond and levy elections into our primaries and general elections will save our state money and generate a greater voter turnout.

Thanks!
Ashley Mujagic

Joyce Brewer

From: Mary Ollie [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2023 2:20 PM
To: Joyce Brewer
Subject: House Bill 58

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Chairman Guthrie and Members of the Senate State Affairs Committee:

House Bill 58 is troubling for many reasons.

1- Idaho's Constitution: Article III Section 19 of Idaho's Constitution prohibits the legislature from passing local or special laws in certain enumerated cases. One of these is local elections which are best determined by local officials and those who elected them. HB 58 fits a pattern of shifting political power away from local governments to the state level.

2- The "cure" for lack of election participation is not to do away with elections. Elections encourage civic involvement. Government *should* be close to the people. Fewer elections are contrary to our republican form of government.

3- Eliminating the March elections makes it difficult for school board trustees to approve hiring and schedules for the upcoming school year. It presents a significant burden for school districts.

4- Consolidating elections places an added burden on county elections officials who must deal with multiple ballots and must ensure the correct ballot gets to the right voter. School districts, library districts, recreation districts and the many other districts do not align and the number of different ballots is becoming impossible to deal with.

5- Consolidating elections increases the probability that voters will get an incorrect ballot.

For these reasons, I encourage you to vote "no" on House Bill 58. It offers no benefits. However the damage that it will bring to our local school districts and to our Republic is very real.

Sincerely,

Mary Ollie
Bonners Ferry, ID

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