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Your Ability to Vote is On the Line: Vote No on Prop XXX

Voting should be secure. It should also be practical for eligible voters.

Proposition XXX will make it much harder to vote early or by mail for no reason. To us it looks like it's designed to make it harder to vote just for the sake of making it harder to vote.

Arizona already has a secure vote-by-mail system. Voters must sign their ballot envelopes. Election workers compare those signatures with the voter's record. When a signature can't be confirmed, the county contacts the voter so the problem can be fixed.

Proposition XXX replaces our current system (that works) with a bunch of bureaucratic red tape, especially for people who vote by mail. It creates a bunch of unnecessary paperwork which will make it much harder to vote early or by mail.

The bottom line: if this passes it will be a lot harder for eligible people to vote, and for no good reason.

Communities need a voice in decisions about schools, health care, housing, transportation, and neighborhood safety. When voting becomes harder, people with the fewest resources often face the biggest obstacles to vote. That includes older adults, people with disabilities, rural residents, caregivers, and people working long hours.

Election security matters. But any improvements to elections shouldn't create new, unreasonable barriers for eligible voters. The current mail-ballot system already includes identity checks, signature review, and a process to correct problems.

Before changing the Arizona Constitution, we deserve clear answers about what new requirements would apply, how many eligible voters could be affected, and why they're even needed.

We urge you to vote NO on Proposition XXX.

Will Humble, Executive Director, Arizona Public Health Association, Phoenix
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My name is Isabel Caputi, and I am the deputy political development director at Lumen Strategies and a full-time college student in Los Angeles, CA. At Lumen, my main focus has been linking our ballot initiative to legislative districts and serving as a public advocate for the Protect The Vote AZ campaign.

This work comes naturally to me, with a mother who taught me the importance of advocating for equality and accessibility for everyone. Working for Lumen, I have become engrossed in the importance of Arizona voter rights and the right to a fair, free, and secure election, which is the foundation of our democracy.

As an out-of-state college student, HCR 2001 would affect me personally. It would require all

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voters to show valid government-issued proof of identity before casting a ballot in each election, by mail or otherwise. Proof of citizenship is already required to vote in our country, making this redundant.

This would effectively and permanently disenfranchise voters like me who must vote by mail. This amendment is excessively vague, with no clear details on how this would be enacted. Questions arise, like who would I show my voter ID to, and how would my ballot be approved to be mailed in?

I am just one example of the many ways in which this new proposal will make it extremely difficult to mail in a ballot. Eighty percent of voters in Arizona trust the process of voting by mail and depend on it. If you would like to continue to vote by mail, which has worked for Arizona for decades, vote NO on HCR 2001 in November.

Isabel Caputi, Deputy Political Director, Lumen Strategies, Scottsdale

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My name is Chris Gilfillan, and I am the Political and Development Director at Lumen Strategies, principal support of the Protect the Vote AZ campaign.

I have a long history of direct advocacy, especially for free and fair elections, which is what brought me in at Lumen. I was turning in pages of signatures that I had collected for the Protect the Vote AZ Initiative as a volunteer when I joined the team. And it falls squarely in line with the values that were instilled in me in my youth, with my grandmother, who would spend her free afternoons registering progressive voters in the South.

While she never had the ability to vote by mail, voting was so very important to her. And she, like me, would have staunchly advocated for more access to voting, not less.

Voting by mail is such a luxury that Arizona should treasure, not limit. That is why I urge you to vote No on HCR 2001. This measure would effectively silence the legitimate voices of students, veterans, workers, and the disabled.

To me, that is fundamentally unfair and is why I support and am involved with Protect the Vote AZ. Year in and year out, the legislature tries to curb our access to the ballot box. That is why Protect the Vote AZ is so important - it would permanently enshrine your right to vote by mail in the constitution, squarely removing that responsibility from the legislature. This measure is deeply popular with more than 80 percent of Arizonans supporting it; rather the legislature is asking you to support a deeply unpopular HCR 2001, which would permanently silence thousands of voters. That's why I urge you to vote no on HCR 2001.

Christopher Gilfillan, Political and Development Director, Lumen Strategies, Phoenix

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My name is Xitlali Landry, and I'm an intern at Lumen Strategies and a full-time student at Arizona State University. At Lumen, I've been advocating for Protect The Vote AZ as Social

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Media Comms Director and helping with volunteer work regarding the campaign.

I've become increasingly aware of the importance of protecting voting rights and ensuring that all Arizonans continue to have accessible ways to participate in elections, including mail-in ballots and early in-person voting. Due to the recent proposed amendment, HCR 2001, these constitutional rights, which Arizona voters have trusted for decades, are at risk of being taken away. HCR 2001 threatens to restrict participation in elections by complicating mail-in ballots through an unclear "identification" system, including Voter ID for mail-in voting. With nearly 80 percent of Arizona voters casting ballots by mail and thousands voting early, many people in my community would struggle to have a say in future elections and to exercise their fundamental right to vote.

Not only will the people in my community be affected, but this proposed amendment would also affect me personally. In my life, I have both family members and friends who rely on mail-in voting due to a lack of transportation, disability, time constraints, and overall convenience. Many families across Arizona, including mine, also rely on the ability to vote early, as it allows voters facing last-minute family or work emergencies to submit their ballots worry-free.

Think of the working-class, the single mothers, the elderly, the disabled, and the people in YOUR life that, if passed, this amendment would adversely affect. That's why I'm asking you to vote NO on HCR 2001, and help preserve access to the voting options that make participation in our democracy possible for so many Arizonans.

Xitlali Landry, Social Media Comms Director, Lumen Strategies, Tempe
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Whether we live in a bustling city, quiet suburb, or one of Arizona's beautiful remote areas, every single qualified voter should be able to cast a ballot, by mail or in person, in accordance with established law. If you want to keep it that way, vote NO on Prop XXX.

This legislative referral creates obstacles that would limit our access to the ballot. It authorizes legislators to create a new process for voting by mail, and would even allow the legislature to ban mail-in voting altogether. This means we would be authorizing them to restrict our voting rights in the future. If you're thinking, "They won't do that," consider: the author of this measure freely admits that he designed Prop XXX to eliminate mail-in voting.

Arizona's current mail-in voting system is a model for the rest of the nation. It helps busy voters participate in the democratic process. It's popular with seniors, disabled people, rural residents, and conscientious voters who want to research the important issues on their ballots. It helps families who want to discuss the ballot as they go, and people who don't want to stand in line (who does?).

What are our Republican state lawmakers, who unanimously approved this measure, afraid of? Why are they so determined to keep us from voting? Could it be that gaining and keeping power is more important to them than allowing us, Arizonans, to choose our leaders?

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In America, most of us believe voters should pick our leaders, but some corrupt politicians want to control our elections and seize even more power. Most Americans want every voter to vote and every vote cast to be counted. We will decide our future, choose our leaders, and ensure the will of the people prevails. Hands Off Our Vote: NO on Prop XXX.

Melinda Iyer, Co-Director, Civic Engagement Beyond Voting, Phoenix and Catherine Sigmon, Co-Director, Civic Engagement Beyond Voting, Tempe
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Arizonans overwhelmingly support early voting, including through the early voting list and voting by mail. Throughout Arizona, voters can cast their ballots safely and securely at a voting center convenient to them, including dropping off their early ballots. Proposition #### restricts all of that to address imagined shortcomings at the expense of robust voter participation, and we encourage a “no” vote.

Health and civic engagement are interconnected, and as such, Vitalyst Health Foundation opposes Proposition #### because it will curtail the voter freedom we enjoy in Arizona and make it harder for eligible voters to participate.

Civic engagement contributes to a community’s overall health. Proposition #### would hinder that by upending Arizona’s modern and efficient election procedures that allow all eligible Arizonans to let their voice be heard.

Additionally, it would increase costs and create confusing and bureaucratic red tape for voters. Proposition #### eliminates current identification options such as a utility bill, bank statement, or insurance card. Furthermore, the new requirement to submit identification for every election before voting by mail risks exposing voters’ sensitive information to identity thieves.

Both Democratic and Republican election officials oppose Proposition #### because it imposes unrealistic mandates on already under-resourced local election offices.

Fair and inclusive voting means policies are in place to ensure that everyone who is eligible can register and vote. Arizona is fortunate to have popular and secure election processes, including strong participation in early voting, which is healthy for our democracy. This, in turn, leads to healthier individuals and communities in Arizona. Proposition #### would discourage that, and that is why, as an independent, nonpartisan organization, Vitalyst opposes efforts that weaken civic health in Arizona, and opposes Proposition ####.

Roy Pringle, President and CEO, Vitalyst Health Foundation, Phoenix
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The League of Women Voters of Arizona urges you to Vote NO on HCR 2001.

The League of Women Voters of Arizona supports an accessible system of voter registration and election participation and believes that every eligible voter should be able to cast a ballot and

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have that vote counted.

HCR 2001 amends the Arizona Constitution to impose new election requirements and place detailed election procedures beyond the reach of ordinary legislative review and improvement. Constitutional amendments should protect fundamental rights, not lock election administration policies into place.

Arizona voters have consistently embraced early and mail voting because it allows them to participate despite work schedules, family responsibilities, disabilities, health concerns, military service, transportation challenges, or long distances to polling locations. HCR 2001 creates new barriers and uncertainty for these voters by requiring government-issued identification every time a ballot is cast, including for voters who vote by mail, while leaving key implementation details to future legislation.

Arizona already has extensive election laws that include multiple safeguards to protect election integrity, and there is no evidence of widespread voter fraud that would justify creating additional barriers for eligible voters.

The measure also creates broad constitutional standards that could be used to justify future restrictions on early and mail voting. This proposal uses vague wording and creates opportunities for costly and time-consuming legal challenges at taxpayer expense.

In addition, HCR 2001 requires implementation without identifying a dedicated funding source, potentially shifting new costs to taxpayers and local election officials.

The League believes election laws should encourage participation, remove unnecessary barriers, and provide the broadest voter representation possible. Arizona's election system should remain flexible, transparent, and responsive to the needs of voters and election administrators.

Protect voter access. Protect voter participation.

Vote NO on HCR 2001.

Pinny Sheoran, Board Officer, Secretary/ State Advocacy Chair, League of Women Voters of Arizona, Scottsdale

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As a person of faith, I believe every person is created in the image of God (Imago Dei) and possesses inherent dignity, worth, and a voice that deserves to be heard. Voting is one of the most important ways citizens participate in shaping the future of their communities. I believe we should work to ensure that every eligible voter can exercise that right, not create new barriers that make participation more difficult.

Throughout our nation's history, democracy has grown stronger when more voices are welcomed into the public square. Progress has come not by silencing people, but by expanding opportunities for participation. When eligible voters encounter unnecessary obstacles, communities lose valuable perspectives, and our democracy is diminished. Policies that add new hurdles to voting risk excluding voices that deserve to be heard.

My faith teaches me that every person matters. Every voice matters. Every vote matters. When we make it harder for eligible citizens to participate, we move away from a democracy that reflects the dignity and value of all people.

I urge Arizonans to reject measures that risk silencing eligible voters and to vote NO on Prop XXX. Let us build a democracy where every eligible voice can be heard.

Rev. Dr. Katie Sexton, Glendale

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HCR2001 is a vague solution in search of an incredibly rare problem. My long career as a federal prosecutor informs my view that false voting - whether by non-citizens, felons, or snowbirds - is virtually non-existent. The U.S. Attorney's Office often received zero fraud referrals in an election cycle, and at most we received one or two. The Legislature's response is heavy-handed. In requiring citizens to obtain a government-issued identification to vote, it imposes a poll tax. (Indeed, at the last minute legislators removed a promise to provide free identification.) Subsection "F" sure seems like it would limit citizen initiatives surrounding elections. And how, precisely, are voters to show proof of identification before casting ballots by mail? At best this is just sloppy drafting by inexperienced part-time legislators; at worst, they are trying to eliminate a voting option.

So what would be a solution commensurate to the rarity of fraud? First, educate. To my prosecutor friends, be transparent on the rare occasions when you find unlawful voting. Quantify it. Describe the circumstances. Explain your decisions. And tell us who is doing it. I'm confident from my experience that the occasional false vote is just as likely to be cast by a Republican as by a Democrat. Please say that. To be sure, any fraud dilutes our collective voices, but it doesn't impact results.

To truly increase transparency and accuracy, how about expanding our right to collect ballots for friends and neighbors? Right now that's limited to certain agricultural district elections. Turning Point USA did a terrific (and, by all accounts, honest) job harvesting ballots in the recent Salt River Project election. And while the TPUSA candidates lost mightily, I credit TPUSA for increasing voter turnout. If it's good enough for TPUSA and SRP it's good enough for all Arizona elections.

Gary Restaino, Phoenix

Bennett D. Burke, June 23, 2026

Arizona's voters need to pay attention to issues directly affecting the health and welfare of all Arizonans. HCR 2001, the Vote-by-Mail Ban, fails to do so.

HCR 2001 makes voting harder, especially for voters by mail. Voters will now have to find a scanner, print a copy of their ID, and file it with the government every time they vote. This does great harm to democracy while simultaneously promoting the rise of authoritarianism.

This bill is based on discriminatory intent, motivated by white supremacy. As a concerned Arizonan who stands for truth, equality, and justice for all, I urge legislators to vote against this execrable bill.

In His Holy Name, The Most Reverend Bennett D. D. Burke

Bennett Burke, The Most Reverend, Bishop, Matthew 25:34, Tucson

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Prop XXX is the most critical proposition on the ballot and must NOT succeed! The right to vote is the right to all other rights. We can't lose it! If this terrible measure passes, it will negatively affect many Arizonans.

While working in the Pinal County Early Voting office for 2 years (2022-2024), I saw extreme measures taken to ensure true bipartisan election integrity—never any fraud! Despite many investigations and lawsuits throughout the United States, there has never been anything to prove any significant voter fraud. The allegations of voter fraud come from candidates who can't accept the fact that they lost.

Most Arizonans have used and appreciated this Early Voting method for many years. Non-citizens have never been allowed to vote in Arizona. It is illegal. We have a free, fair, and secure voting system. I have used mail in ballots for over 40 years, as a college student, a military officer, and now on the Arizona AEVL list (formerly PEVL). I have full confidence in the system and so should you.

This proposition is yet another attack on our ability to vote under the pretense of "election integrity." Using creative distorted tactics, much effort has been taken to destroy public faith in our voting system. The GOP realizes that the larger number of people who can vote, the more likely they are to lose. These tactics would disproportionately block rural voters, tribal members, seniors, individuals with disabilities, students, and voters with busy work and caregiving schedules from voting.

Not everyone has a government issued proof of identity. Present Arizona law already requires voters to present identification, but offers several options, including presenting two different items containing their name and address (utility bill, US passport, military ID, etc.). We need to continue this method! Vote NO!

Nancy Hartl, Concerned Citizen, San Tan Valley; Gunner DeBusk, Concerned Citizen, Florence; Amanda DeBusk, Concerned Citizen, Florence; Taylor DeBusk, Concerned Citizen, Florence; Baylor DeBusk, Concerned Citizen, Florence; Jagger DeBusk, Concerned Citizen, Florence; Diane Boen, Concerned Citizen, Florence; Mark Boen, Concerned Citizen, Florence; David Herrera, Concerned Citizen, Superior; Craig Hurtt, Concerned Citizen, Florence; Stephanie Daniel Hurtt, Concerned Citizen, Florence; Deb Kinnaman, Concerned Citizen, Florence; Starla Clark, Concerned Citizen, Florence; and Jim Clark, Concerned Citizen, Florence

Sponsored by Nancy Hartl

Arizona's early voting system is working and fair. Prop XXX would weaken that system by requiring all voters—including voters who vote by mail—to provide valid government-issued proof of identity.

That sounds simple, but nobody has explained how it would be handled for mail-in ballots in a practical, reliable way. Many voters would have to obtain or locate official identity documents and deal with complications like name changes, which effectively makes voting harder for people who are eligible to vote.

It also risks creating new barriers and delays that could interfere with legitimate voting schedules and invite litigation. If voters are required to "show" identity documents as a condition of voting by mail or during early voting, election deniers could use those complications as grounds for

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lawsuits at public expense.

Arizona should make it easier—not harder—to vote early and by mail.

Vote NO on Prop XXX

Gayle Shanks and Bob Sommer
Changing Hands Bookstore Co-Founders

Gayle Shanks, Co-Founder, Changing Hands Bookstore, Tempe and Clive “Bob” Sommer, Co-Founder, Changing Hands Bookstore, Tempe
Sponsored by Gayle Shanks

Lutheran Advocacy Ministry in Arizona (LAMA) approaches election policy through a simple but demanding question: does this measure strengthen our shared life together, or does it make participation harder for our neighbors?

HCR2001 raises serious concerns because it would place new voting requirements into the Arizona Constitution. Constitutional amendments are difficult to correct if they create unintended harm. For that reason, voters should be cautious about measures that could make voting less accessible, especially for people who already face barriers in public life.

Lutherans believe civic participation is one way we love and serve our neighbors. Voting should be secure, trustworthy, and accessible. These values are not in conflict. Arizona can protect election integrity without creating unnecessary obstacles for eligible voters.

Our concern with HCR2001 is that stricter identification or citizenship-documentation rules may fall hardest on seniors, students, low-income voters, rural residents, Native voters, naturalized citizens, people with disabilities, and people who move frequently or lack easy access to official documents. Even when a rule sounds simple, the burden is not shared equally.

LAMA is also concerned about the message this measure sends. In a time when many people already feel excluded from public life, our laws should invite eligible citizens into participation, not make them feel suspect. Democracy depends not only on rules, but also on trust, belonging, and the conviction that every eligible voter’s voice matters.

Lutheran Advocacy Ministry in Arizona believes the measure should be judged by its impact on the neighbor, especially the neighbor most likely to be pushed aside. If HCR2001 makes voting more difficult for eligible Arizonans, embeds those barriers in the Constitution, or deepens mistrust in communities already underrepresented, then people of faith have strong reasons to oppose it.

Solveig Muus, Director, Lutheran Advocacy Ministry in Arizona (LAMA), Phoenix
Sponsored by Lutheran Advocacy Ministry in Arizona (LAMA)

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Prop XXX would not only load up the Arizona Constitution with vague and unnecessary verbiage, but would also make it more difficult to vote. Vote NO!

Paragraph A. Only citizens can vote: Already in Article 7, Section 2: “No person shall be entitled to vote . . . unless such person be a citizen of the United States . . . ” and ARS 16-101.

Paragraph B. Prohibits foreign nationals from spending money on elections: Already in 52 USC 30121.

Paragraph D. “Arizona elections shall be decided solely by the votes of eligible citizen voters.” Redundant.

Paragraph E. Requires that voters be given the option to have their ballot tabulated at their voting location. Allowed in ARS 16-579.01, which could be amended.

Paragraph C, the crux of Prop XXX, requires all voters “to show valid government issued proof of identity before casting a ballot.” ARS 16-579 currently requires voters to present identification, but offers several options, including presenting two different items containing the voter’s name and address (utility bill, US passport, military ID, etc.). For mailed ballots, to safeguard against fraud, county officials verify that a voter’s ballot envelope signature matches those on file.

Prop XXX thus exists solely to:

- (1) Suppress in-person voting by restricting the type of identification that voters must present before voting; and
- (2) End early voting by creating uncertainty over how voters returning mailed ballots would prove their identity.

Arizona’s elections system works! Arizonans trust it, with up to 88% of voters casting early ballots, mostly by mail or drop box. Prop XXX would, on the other hand, block rural voters, tribal members, seniors, individuals with disabilities, students, and busy workers and caregivers from voting.

Plain and simple, Prop XXX is part of a nationwide push to suppress the vote and undermine elections. Vote NO!

Marie Sansone, Chair, AZ LD7 Democrats, Flagstaff
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All Voting is Local Action opposes Prop XXX. Prop _____ will block eligible Arizonans from voting, especially those who vote by mail. Currently, Arizonans can vote freely and accessibly in a number of ways, and nearly 80 percent of Arizona voters cast their ballots by mail. Arizona has been using vote-by-mail for nearly 30 years.

This measure would have massive negative consequences for voting in Arizona. Eligible voters already show proof of citizenship to register to vote in Arizona—this measure would require

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voters to resubmit their government-issued identification before they can vote by mail, for every single election. Adding more bureaucracy to our elections will only keep eligible voters from voting and slow down ballot counting.

A similar measure implemented in Texas in 2022 caused ballot rejections to skyrocket to over 13%. <https://bit.ly/texasin2022>. Arizona voters soundly rejected a similar redundant ID process for mail-in ballots in 2022 (Prop 309) because it was burdensome and endangered voter privacy. The same is true for Prop _____. Why are legislators even making us consider this bad idea again?

Blocking this tried-and-true voting method for as many voters as possible would undermine decades of bipartisan support for vote-by-mail and deprive millions of Arizonans who rely on mail voting of their freedom to vote. And this measure includes a provision allowing the legislature to add even more senseless restrictions down the road. Arizonans do not need unnecessary additional hurdles placed in the way of casting our ballots.

Hands off our vote! Vote no on HCR2001 or Prop _____.

Alex Gulotta, Arizona State Director, All Voting is Local Action, Tempe; Natalia Sells, Senior Campaign Manager, All Voting is Local Action, Tempe; and Justa Lopez, Senior Campaign Manager, All Voting is Local Action, Tempe
Sponsored by All Voting is Local Action

My name is Courtney Banks with Our Voice, Our Vote Arizona, and I oppose Prop XXX (HCR 2001).

This measure does not improve election security, adds unnecessary bureaucracy, and risks discouraging eligible voters from participating.

Election security has been heavily debated, but Prop XXX solves a problem that does not exist. Arizona already has secure elections, and voter fraud is extremely rare. According to Heritage Foundation data, fewer than 20 cases of voter fraud have been identified in Arizona since 2022 out of millions of ballots cast. If fraud is not the problem, what is this measure addressing?

Instead, Prop XXX creates new barriers. It would require additional sensitive identification for many voters, especially mail-in voters. Seniors, working parents, students, and rural voters could face increased privacy risks and reduced access to voting.

It also increases administrative burdens on election officials, requiring new verification systems and additional procedures for already limited staff.

At its core, this is a question of access: who gets to participate in our democracy?

First, not all Arizonans have government-issued photo ID. Costs, lost documents, transportation, and other barriers make access difficult for seniors, low-income residents, young voters, and rural communities.

Second, the measure eliminates widely used alternatives like utility bills and bank statements, which are already accepted in other important transactions. Removing them creates unnecessary barriers.

Third, it sets a precedent for future restrictions that could further limit ballot access.

Voting should never become more complicated or intimidating. Concerns about privacy or ID access should not prevent participation.

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Arizona's democracy is strongest when every eligible voter can participate freely and securely. We should expand access, not create obstacles.

Courtney Banks, Communications Director, Our Voice, Our Vote, Phoenix

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Arizonans, it's important to vote no on Prop XXX to protect your access to mail in voting. Approximately 80% of Arizona voters use early ballots, and in 2024 around 264,000 Arizona voters dropped off their completed ballots on election day. Removing the ballot drop off option impacts hundreds of thousands of Arizonans who utilize this method. Prop XXX would primarily hurt Arizona's elderly, disabled, rural, and low income voters who rely on this option. Prop XXX imposes rules and regulations with no additional funding for logistics like extra polling locations. Lets protect a voting system that has proven to be secure and reliable as well as accessible to all voters across Arizona.

Taylor Clark, Common Cause Arizona, Tempe

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Prop XXX is a sneaky attempt to restrict vote by mail and cause chaos at polling locations. In practice, these changes will result in longer lines and risk the privacy and safety of Arizona voters. The proposed requirement of including identification along with every early ballot is egregiously vague and compromises personal identifiable voter information. Resulting in voters' private information to be easily accessible for identity theft. The language in Prop XXX is overly vague which will lead to a lack of consistency during the tabulation process, increase litigation at the taxpayers expense, and raise the risk of eligible voters having their votes unfairly thrown out. Our democracy and systems should work to create processes that are easy to understand and accessible to voters in order to increase voter turnout and participation in our elections. Vote NO on Prop XXX and protect vote by mail and the right to privacy.

Jennifer Guzman, State Director, Common Cause Arizona, Phoenix,

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HCR 2001 should be known as the "Vote by Mail Ban." Voting by mail is safe and secure, and about 80 percent of all Arizona voters choose to vote by mail. Arizonans of all backgrounds choose to vote by mail: Republicans, Democrats, and independents; those in small towns and big cities; young and old. But HCR 2001 would restrict our freedom to vote by mail. It would require you to put a copy of your driver's license inside your early ballot envelope every election. If you don't comply with this new requirement, your ballot would be thrown away.

We must protect the right of eligible, law-abiding citizens to vote by mail. Vote NO on HCR 2001.

Oscar De Los Santos, House Democratic Leader, Arizona House of Representatives, Laveen

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Voters should reject Proposition XXX

Dear Fellow Arizonans,

Our Legislature asks us to consider legislation they failed to enact. They propose Proposition XXX as a Constitutional Amendment. If you only read one sentence in this argument, this is it: Proposition XXX is seriously flawed and must be rejected by the voters.

If the Legislature chooses to reconsider this proposal, they can best serve Arizonans by honoring the following considerations.

Dear Arizona Legislators,

If you revisit Proposition XXX in your next session we urge attention to these points.

Do not prevent Arizona's Constitutionally qualified voters from voting by mail—a highly popular, long standing method that works well. It enables voters to carefully weigh their options at home, rather than quickly checking ballot spots in a voting booth. Thoughtfulness has merit.

Eliminate the provisions that are already in Arizona law. Duplication is pointless.

If you prohibit campaign contributions from foreign nationals, please also prohibit contributions from political action committees outside of Arizona.

Eliminate the requirement for voters to affirmatively request a ballot every two years and describe the required evidence to prove a valid mailing address.

If you insist mail-in voters must repeatedly prove their citizenship, please describe how that will be accomplished and by whom.

If you want an earlier deadline for receiving ballots to allow quicker tabulation, please phase it in clearly so voters can adjust to that schedule. You are, after all, serving them.

Is a Constitutional Amendment necessary? Why/why not?

Respectfully submitted, your clients,
Arizona Independent Voter's Network
Substack: azindy.substack.com

Richard Sinclair, President, Arizona Independent Voter's Network, Scottsdale; Alfred Bell, Communicator, Arizona Independent Voter's Network, Peoria; and Perri Benemelis, Editor, Arizona Independent Voter's Network, Mesa
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This proposed amendment to the Arizona constitution just repeats state and federal laws that are already on the books.

We don't need more laws that say the same thing.

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Vote NO on this proposed constitutional amendment.
Mari Jensen

Mari Jensen, Tucson

My name is Genevieve Von Manti, and as the Constituency Director at Protect the Vote Arizona, my goal is to broaden Arizona residents' understanding of the importance of protecting their right to vote by mail.

If the ability to mail in one's vote is revoked or limited, those who are physically or mentally disabled, elderly persons, impoverished people, and rural residents will lose their ability to vote. When political participation is restricted so that only "certain" voices are granted the privilege of being heard, democracy begins to crumble. Voting is not a privilege for the privileged—it is a right for us all.

I'm working alongside Amnesty International Board Member and founder of Spread The Vote, Project ID, and Project ID Action Fund, Kat Calvin, to make the ability to vote a consistent and independent part of one's personhood. As the daughter and sister of two Deaf women, I have seen firsthand the effects of accessible policies and how they have significantly enriched their lives. If we revoke this right, they will be either less inclined or unable to make it to a voting center, excluding them from a fundamental part of an adult American's life experience. I do not wish to live in a state where my family's voice is jettisoned because of the things they cannot control and do not define them.

Through Protect The Vote AZ, our goal is to create an opportunity for everyone's political opinions and voices to be heard equitably. If voting were to be held exclusively in person, that would leave only the able-bodied, young, wealthy, and powerful recognized. Even for those who choose to go to a voting center, if you were suddenly unable to be there, do you think you should not be heard at all? We believe you should.

Genevieve Von Manti, Constituency Director, Lumen Strategies, Phoenix
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The ACLU of Arizona is a non-profit, non-partisan organization committed to protecting the rights and liberties of all Arizonans. We urge a NO vote on Proposition XXX because it would drastically alter Arizona elections by making mail-in-voting time-consuming, less secure, and inaccessible for many.

Arizona adopted no-excuse mail-in voting in 1991, and it was immediately popular, allowing flexibility for voters and wide participation in our most fundamental democratic process. Early voting and vote-by-mail have boosted turnout among older voters, students, working individuals, and people with disabilities without jeopardizing security or fairness. Vote-by-mail is the backbone of Arizona elections.

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Proposition XXX would undermine this critical feature of Arizona elections by requiring voters to provide ID “concurrent” with casting a ballot. Currently, early voters who return their ballot by mail or at drop-off locations are already validated through signature verification. Under Prop XXX, voters must put a copy of their ID inside their early ballot envelope every election or have their vote not counted. Submitting identification along with every early ballot exposes voters’ highly sensitive information to a myriad of risks and will delay the tabulation of election results.

Additionally, Prop XXX would narrow the list of acceptable voter ID, meaning voters could not use a utility bill, bank statement, or insurance card to cast their ballot thus reducing access particularly for rural voters, young people, low-income or other marginalized people.

Proposition XXX would make it harder for all Arizonans - rural or urban and regardless of political affiliation, to vote. Our democracy thrives because we give all eligible voters equal opportunity to cast their ballot. The ACLU of Arizona urges a NO vote.

Darrell Hill, Director of Policy, ACLU of Arizona, Phoenix
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Mi Familia Vota Recommends Voting NO on HCR 2001. This dangerous measure is a direct assault on our voting rights, designed to make vote-by-mail a tedious, bureaucratic chore. By forcing voters to print and enclose a physical copy of their driver’s license or ID inside their early ballot envelope every single election, it sets up unnecessary hurdles for law-abiding citizens. Worse, it eliminates existing, accessible options like using a utility bill, bank statement, or insurance card to verify your identity.

The consequences of this initiative are severe:

- It forces voters to find scanners and printers just to exercise their right to vote.
- It unnecessarily risks exposing sensitive personal information to identity thieves.
- It delays the tabulation of election results, creating chaos on election night.
- It imposes unrealistic, unfunded mandates on local elections offices that are already under-resourced.

Because of these flaws, election officials from both parties strongly oppose this proposal. Do not be fooled by the lack of an outright ban; HCR 2001 includes a sneaky clause giving the state legislature broad power to create whatever voting restrictions they want in the future. This is a targeted setup to restrict and eventually eliminate vote-by-mail entirely. Protect your privacy and your access to the ballot box—vote no.

Monica Sandschafer, Arizona State Director, Mi Familia Vota, Phoenix
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HCR 2001/Proposition XXX claims that its induction will lead to more “accuracy” and “security” in Arizona elections. However, in reality, HCR 2001 would slow the Arizona election process by adding unnecessary steps and make voting harder. Moreover, HCR 2001 restates

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existing laws and disguises them as new ones. Only U.S. citizens vote, requiring ID from in-person voters and assuring that election results are already the law.

This is meant to distract from the two big changes that would occur under HCR 2001/Proposition XXX: Every voter would be required to provide a government-issued ID, even voters who vote by mail, and the Arizona legislature could change the way we vote in Arizona at any time. This is a terrifying possibility. It gives one institution an immense amount of power over Arizona voters, and they can change or even remove early and mail voting.

Since eligible IDs under HCR 2001 are specifically government-issued, items like bank statements, insurance cards, and other forms of identification would no longer be acceptable. This disproportionately affects rural voters, seniors, and voters with disabilities. Additionally, it does not specify the process by which these IDs are expected to be provided, or any measures in the case of an emergency.

Eighty percent of Arizonans vote by mail, and early voting is up roughly 140 percent since 2018. Limiting mail-in voting would be particularly frustrating for me, an out-of-state college student who relies on the secure vote-by-mail process. This would also affect my mother, who votes by mail due to health complications. We are just two examples of the hundreds of thousands of Arizonans who would be completely stripped of their ability to vote if mail-in voting were taken away. That's why I urge you to vote NO on HCR 2001/Proposition XXX.

Elizabeth Davidson, Policy and Community Affairs, Lumen Strategies, Phoenix
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Chispa Arizona is strongly opposed to Prop XXX. Chispa Arizona is dedicated to empowering Latinx communities to influence policy, protect natural resources, and combat climate change. Through grassroots advocacy and community engagement, we strive for clean air, safe water, and healthy neighborhoods for the communities most impacted by the detrimental effects of the climate crisis.

Our democracy is founded on the principle that our leaders serve the people, not their own interests; and that voting is the most important tool in our democracy to hold our leaders accountable. Prop XXX directly targets Arizona's already secure early mail voting by requiring voters to put sensitive personal information on their ballot envelopes, limiting currently accepted identification methods, and allowing our state legislature to create additional restrictions on mail-in ballots. The result for too many Arizona voters will be that casting a ballot becomes nearly impossible.

It is crucial that we protect our ability to secure a future with clean air and water in Arizona, by protecting our most important tool, our vote. Please join Chispa Arizona by voting NO on Prop XXX

Jodi Liggett, Advisor, Chispa AZ, Tempe

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HCR 2001 – This is another attempt by our Republican/MAGA/Fake Elector legislators to restrict our voting preferences. This is being sent directly to the voters because the legislators knew that it would never make it across our governor's desk (or any governor's desk). The so-called Arizona Freedom Caucus, run by head wackadoodle Jake Hoffman is really nothing more than a bunch of MAGA republicans who have continuously tried to disrupt our elections since 2020. They will not publish the current members' names but they are all closely aligned with the Federal Freedom Caucus with both wackadoodles Andy Biggs and David Schweikert as founding members. HCR 2001 is a regurgitation of items that are already required of anyone registering to vote today and the Federal Elections Campaign Act already makes it illegal to donate or accept foreign campaign donations. With the exception of the 300,000 or so possible voters identified through the DMV mistake, our voter registration and execution systems are second to none. The County Supervisors and the members of the Recorder's office are providing Arizona voters a secure, easy to access and friendly location where they can perform their constitutional right to vote. Or they can sit at home and know that their ballot is trackable from start to finish as they lick that envelop and sign their name. The County Recorder Justin Heap is in the same fake elector group and has tried since day one in his position as Recorder to thwart the will of the voters. The legislature's inaction pushes this lousy attempt to control voters onto a two-page, four-sided ballot. Our federal constitution establishes very clearly, that elections are under the purview of individual states NOT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. Vote No on Proposition HCR 2001.

Timothy Everhard, Director, Arizonans for freedom, Peoria

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A vast majority of Arizona citizens vote by mail and have been doing so for over 30 years. It's a convenient, reliable system with reasonable guardrails and verification in place to prevent fraud.

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Prop XXX upends that. Under this proposal, the only way to vote by mail would be to include a photocopy of your driver's license or government-issued ID sealed inside your ballot envelope every single time you vote. Or before you can even get your ballot, the politicians who wrote this proposal left that purposefully unclear. Regardless, this means tracking down a scanner or printer, making a copy, and mailing your personally identifiable information to your local election office every time you vote. And if you forget? Your ballot is thrown out.

Requiring everyone to re-send a copy of their documentation every time they cast a ballot creates a logistical nightmare for voters and election officials, but it also exposes Arizona citizens to a range of privacy concerns, including the risk of identity theft.

Prop XXX is about making voting more difficult for everyday people, and it doesn't stop there: it makes voting by mail as complicated as a trip to the MVD. Prop XXX also opens the door for state legislators to keep piling on new restrictions as they see fit, until vote-by-mail is effectively useless for most Arizonans.

Arizona's vote-by-mail system and the dedicated local officials who run it have earned the trust of millions of voters. As Arizona citizens, we're entitled to exercise our right to vote safely, privately, and without jumping through unnecessary hoops crafted by politicians. Prop XXX is an unrealistic barrier to voting disguised as reform. Vote NO.

Joel Edman, Will of the People, Phoenix
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Vote NO on Prop XXX
Don't be distracted.

Supporters of Prop XXX want you to think this measure is about citizenship. It's not. Our Arizona Constitution already requires voters to be U.S. citizens.

Prop XXX is really about restricting and then eliminating mail-in voting, a system that millions of Arizonans use and trust. .

Prop XXX does nothing to reduce long lines at the polls. It does nothing to expand early voting. It does nothing to modernize election laws or protect voters' rights. It simply restricts a convenient and secure way for Arizonans to cast their ballots.

Seniors, veterans, working parents, students, people with disabilities, and rural voters all rely on voting by mail. They deserve more choices, not fewer.

Don't fall for the distraction. Protect voter choice. Protect access to the ballot.
Vote NO on Prop XXX.

Hon. Lauren Kubly, State Senator, Legislative District 8
Hon. Brian Garcia, State Representative, Legislative District 8

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Lauren Kuby, State Senator (LD8), Arizona State Senate, Tempe and Brian Garcia, State Representative, Arizona House of Representatives, Tempe

Vote NO on this constitutional amendment – it limits Arizonans' right to vote.

This year is the 250th anniversary of our glorious United States of America. I'm stunned that some Arizona legislators think this is a great year to put barriers in the way of Arizona citizens who want to vote.

This constitutional amendment would make it harder for Arizonans to vote.

Vote NO on this amendment.

Mari Jensen

Mari Jensen, Tucson

Vote No on Prop XXX and protect your right to vote by mail.

I'm a veteran and attorney who ran for Maricopa County Recorder because I believe elections should be decided by the voters, not the politicians. When politicians don't get their way in an election, they cry foul and make vague, unsubstantiated claims of election fraud. Prop XXX would create more government bureaucracy and make Arizona's elections worse, not better.

Arizona's vote-by-mail system works because it balances convenience with safeguards.

Registering to vote in Arizona already requires documentary proof of citizenship. This measure would make law-abiding voters copy and submit identification with every early ballot - wasting every voter's time with more bureaucracy and bigger government. You shouldn't lose your vote because the government can't get its act together.

Election officials need clear, workable rules, not new mandates that slow counting, increase costs, and create confusion. As a member of the Armed Forces, I voted by mail year after year and was able to check with the local Recorder's office to make sure my vote was counted.

If you want to increase confidence in our elections, go find and prosecute the people who do commit election fraud. Don't make it harder for American citizens to vote.

Vote NO on Prop XXX.

Tim Stringham, Former Candidate for Maricopa County Recorder, Tempe
Sponsored by Will of the People

Rural Arizona Action has been following Proposition XXX since it was introduced in late 2025. We've read the bill in its initial iteration and we've seen it amended again and again. Yet the author of this proposition continues to intentionally use redundant and vague language to plant

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the seeds of voter suppression.

The voter identification requirement is already law. For many Native Americans that live on reservations, like my family, the voter identification requirement is a barrier because many homes don't have physical addresses. I repeat: the vast majority of homes in tribal nations do not have physical addresses. Instead, we have descriptive addresses. When registering to vote, when getting driver's licenses or other important documents, sometimes we have to get creative, especially when access to technical expertise is limited.

To illustrate my point, here's the true story of a Hopi woman who went to get her driver's license, but the MVD wouldn't accept her descriptive address. So she ended up having to use a utility pole as her address. Then when she went to register to vote, they accepted her driver's license, but they wouldn't accept her utility poll address. So she had to use her descriptive address. On election day, when she provided her driver's license it didn't match with the voter registration, and she wasn't able to vote.

Had she known the current law as it is, she may have been able to still cast a ballot, but even with the limited flexibility built into the system it's still complicated. If Prop ____ passes, that flexibility will be gone and it would further disenfranchise my people.

ANTONIO RAMIREZ
Political and Policy Director
Rural Arizona Action

Antonio Ramirez, Political and Policy Director, Rural Arizona Action, Coolidge
Sponsored by Rural Arizona Action

I've worked in information technology and information security for 15 years. I have secured financial institutions and defense contractors' networks against small-time cyber criminals of opportunity, and against nation-state attackers. What each of these criminals have in common is that they all need data to do their jobs effectively. With a simple picture - like that called for in the unnecessary and reckless Prop XXX - one can reveal a great deal of information about a person.

Arizonans suffered 20,863 cases of identity theft in 2024, or about 287 cases per 100,000 residents. That same year, in our presidential election with nearly three and a half million votes cast, only 28 ballots were even suspected of being fraudulent - a rate of less than one per 100,000. Prop XXX would require every citizen to place more of our private data in easily identifiable yellow or green envelopes - just in case identity thieves wanted an easier target. Our current vote-by-mail system is safe, secure, and convenient. There is simply no need to put our personal data at risk in an attempt to score political points to solve a problem that doesn't really exist.

In short, Prop XXX is unnecessary, dangerous, and it's a solution for a problem that doesn't

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impact us for the cost of your identity. Is that a price you're willing to pay? Vote no on Prop XXX.

Christopher Dalpe, Scottsdale
Sponsored by Healthcare Rising Arizona

My name is Gail Hunnicutt, and I am a tribal member of the Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation. I am also a granddaughter of Frank Harrison and Harry Austin, the plaintiffs of Harrison v. Laveen, which is a landmark case that granted Native Americans in Arizona the right to vote in 1948. They were veterans who fought for suffrage back then, and I continue that legacy by fighting against Prop xxx now.

Prop xxx requires voters to show valid government issued IDs before casting a ballot "whether voting in person or by any other method." This includes when you vote by mail. How exactly are you going to do that? Would you have to send in a photocopy of your ID? Would election staff need to stand next to ballot drop boxes? Would the option to vote by mail simply go away?

In many tribal communities, it's already hard to vote by mail because of limited mail service and limited addresses. If Prop xxx passes it will make it even harder to vote by mail, and that will be detrimental for all Arizonans, especially for all Natives living on the reservation.

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Fort McDowell, Arizona

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