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Written Testimony for HB Bills from Today's Zoom

Good afternoon Madam Chair and members of the committee.

My name is Kim Harris; I reside in Portage, 49024 and am a member with the Kalamazoo Electoral Action Team. Moving forward I will refer this as KALEAT.

I come before you today to testify and for you to hear my voice on support and with amendments of the following bills.

HB 4837 - KALEAT supports this bill because it is a common sense measure that will keep the Qualified Voter File (QVF) out of the hands of private companies and foreign entities seeking to influence our elections.

HB 4838 - KALEAT supports this bill with amendments that have been submitted to Representative Green's office. The proposed language requires the voting tabulator NOT to be connected to the Internet. This language is necessary in order to provide clear guidance to clerks and their local election commissions that are responsible for making voting machines ready for Election Day. Also, The proposed language states electronic voting systems not to be programmed for weighted voting functionality.

HB 4839 – KALEAT supports this bill because it prevents our state from being blanketed with absentee ballot applications without identity verification. Never should an absentee ballot application be sent without first being requested by a legitimate registered voter.

HB 4840 – KALEAT supports this bill with amendments that have been submitted to Rep Borton's office. The proposed language for this bill specifically states the software and hardware elements that are related to electronic poll book retention; All electronic poll book software and hardware including but not limited to election definition files, memory devices, computer system files, security files and transactional files used at any primary or general...

This language is necessary in order to provide clear guidance to clerks and their local election commissions that are responsible for the disposition of these voting materials and to ensure accurate election recounts or audits.

KALEAT is happy to work with the author on the proposed language adjustments that have been submitted to the Reps Offices.

I thank you for your time and for hearing my voice today.

Blessings,



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