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VIA EMAIL

The Honorable Wayne Williams, Secretary of State

Colorado Department of State

1700 Broadway

Denver, CO 80290

SOS.Rulemaking@sos.state.co.us

Re: Election Rules – 8 CCR 1505-1

Dear Secretary Williams,

I am writing as the Vote Coordinator for the Protection and Advocacy Organization of Colorado, Disability Law Colorado. PAVA, the Protection and Advocacy for Voting Access, would like to comment on the following proposed rule:

Proposed Rule 7.2.6 – Mail Ballot Return Envelope

The proposed rule places an excessive burden on a person with a disability who might need assistance in the delivery of his or her mail ballot. Requesting that the voter gather this information and remember to fill out the form correctly will create confusion and frustration for someone who may already face several barriers while participating in the election process. Disability Law Colorado believes that this could lead to the disenfranchisement of some voters, resulting in a disparate impact on the disability community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Jennifer Levin'.

Jennifer Levin