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**From:** C Stewart [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 18, 2017 3:32 PM  
**To:** SoS Rulemaking  
**Subject:** RE: Secretary Williams invites you to comment on proposed election rules

Dear Secretary Williams,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed changes to election rules.

My first comment is that the entire section on presidential electors, described in [New Rule 24 concerning presidential electors](#), should be deleted. This new rule is, in my opinion, not necessary and commits State resources to enforcing what should be party responsibilities. If a political party is not able to enforce discipline within its ranks, it should not look to the State to expend legal resources to do so. In addition, the rule is not clear as to what would happen if the electors convene in December and at the last minute an elector votes for an individual who did not receive the most votes. Is that vote of the elector declared invalid, or does it stand? Finally, the rule does not cover the situation of a candidate dying or becoming incapacitated between the election and the meeting of the electors. Would the electors then be bound to vote for a dead candidate? It would be much better, simpler and in keeping with tradition to not adopt the new proposed Rule 24. It should be removed from the draft.

Sincerely,  
Curtis Stewart