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**To:** [SoS Rulemaking](#)  
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To Whom it May Concern:

As a Colorado voter and constituent, I have seen the Secretary of State's proposed election amendments that will be brought to a hearing tomorrow, July 12th. I have serious concerns and have the following comments on these proposals:

For Amended Rule 2.5.4: I ask for more clarification on this proposed amendment change and that the amended rule specify that in elections years of both presidential and state primaries, the party affiliation of the voter only applies to a single primary in the election cycle and not all the primaries in the cycle.

For Amended Rule 2.13.2, I am requesting a rejection of this proposed amendment. This amendment would eliminate the requirement of election judges to maintain a log of new registered voters or of any changes made by register electors, which are critical to maintaining the integrity of fair and honest elections—something we should aspire to in a democracy.

For Amended Rule 8: I request a rejection of this amendment, since it wouldn't allow poll watchers to have any electronic device or mobile phone in their possession in the vicinity of the polling place. This is an issue because watchers would be unable to report voting irregularities in real time or have documented evidence.

Regarding Ballot Separation Options for Unaffiliated Voters, I'd encourage Option 1; however, I would ask that the SoS take steps to create a failsafe method for ensuring voter anonymity.

And finally, for the Cross Jurisdiction Voting, I request further clarification and/or revision of this process to address the possibility that counties may reduce voting centers by shifting to other counties. As we have seen in other states, this can reduce voter turnout and create confusion among voters.

One of the things I have enjoyed most about being a Colorado resident is the dedication of the state to ensuring that residents have access to their voting rights, such as mail in ballots to allow for research and those who work or have a disability to still fully participate. I hope the SoS continues to ensure Coloradans can use their democratic right, the vote, and ensure transparency for all Coloradans.

Thank you so much, and please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Daisy Patton  
