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COMMENTS ON APRIL 15, 2022 PROPOSED RULES 8 CCR 1505-1 et al

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In general, I submit my agreement with the statements made by Maurice Emmer, Jeffrey O'Donnell, and Jeff Young in their comments on the Proposed rules. The rule proposals in total represent a concentration of authority in the Secretary of States' office that serve to undermine the local control of the election process. This concentration of authority allows for illegal manipulation of the election process and results of elections with little oversight from the people. Indeed, the collection of rules are clearly designed to ensure that the citizens have little insight into the election process and limit the people's ability to conduct thorough and open audits of election activities.

In particular, the rules limiting collection of forensic evidence from the voting machines (collection and storage of hard drive images) can serve no other purpose than to hide illegal manipulation of vote totals and individual votes from the public.

Respectfully submitted,

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