



Testimony: S2132
SUPPORT for Same Day Registration

February 23, 2026

Dear Chairman LaMountain & Committee Members,
My name is Jocelyn Foye, and I am the Executive Director of The Womxn Project, a Providence-based nonprofit that frequently focuses on matters related to reproductive rights, LGBTQ+ rights, and government transparency.

I am testifying in strong support of S2132. If passed, this resolution would put same-day voter registration on the ballot during the 2026 General Election, giving Rhode Islanders the chance to vote on whether or not this is something they want to implement. If Rhode Islanders do end up voting in favor of same day registration, this would significantly improve voting accessibility and voter turnout in our state.

Rhode Island already offers same-day registration for presidential elections, and in 2024, over 9,000 people took advantage of this, indicating that it will most certainly be utilized by the public if it is available. Furthermore, many people miss the deadline for registering or are unaware how to register, while some people do not even know that registration is required to vote at all. Same-day registration would ensure that all people who want to exercise their right to vote and are eligible will be able to do so. The lack of same-day registration in all Rhode Island elections creates an unnecessary barrier for Rhode Islanders who want to get more involved in state/local politics but are new to understanding our electoral system and the processes within.

Although this resolution does not automatically implement same-day registration, it does allow for the crucial first step to be taken. It is now the responsibility of our elected officials to support S2132 and let Rhode Islanders do their civic duty and vote on same-day registration come November.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Jocelyn Foye, Executive Director
The Womxn Project