

Senator Matthew LaMountain, Chair

Senate Judiciary Committee

RE: Support for S3143

Dear Chairman LaMountain,

I am writing to express my strong support for S3143.

I was born the year Brown v. Board ruled segregation unconstitutional and grew up as the Civil Rights movement challenged the remnants of Jim Crow. Among other landmark legislation, passage of the 1965 Voting Rights Act proudly proclaimed that the past was behind us. Those of us who witnessed these events never thought that the right to vote would ever be threatened again. Yet here we are.

History once again calls for action. Senate President Lawson and your colleagues have brought forward a RI Voting Rights Act. Passage is urgent.

Sincerely,

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