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HB23-1055 Prohibit Wireless Networking Voting Systems

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Donna LaBelle For themselves	<p>Representatives Bockenfeld, Woodrow, Ortiz, Armagost, Boesenecker, Bottoms, Brown, DeGraaf, Epps, Ricks, Sharbini and Willford:</p> <p>I write to you today in regards to HB23-1055. First, I thank you, Representative Bockenfeld for putting this bill forward. If it were not so hard to get to Denver and life were not so full already, I would be there in person tomorrow to say I wholeheartedly agree with prohibiting wireless capable voting systems from having any part of our elections!! This is a good first step with many more needed after it. It is a sad fact that the overwhelming majority of people I know do not have confidence in our voting system and feel disenfranchised. We also do not feel heard by our elected officials and sometimes even deliberately ignored. I appreciate your hard work, having watched you on the House floor and in Committee hearings. I choose to believe you want to do what is best for the people which is why I appeal to you all to support this bill. We simply ask for fair elections. And common sense tells us that it is far too easy to tamper with computers without ever being detected. Since what is inside the computer is off limits to public scrutiny, opportunities for fraud are many. The reason I stated previously that we sometimes feel ignored is because I was in a hearing with 50 other testifiers who passionately shared their support of a bill and after all were through, the Representatives completely dismissed our voices. There are many things we care about and I just wonder if we bring a hundred friends who share our stance, will you listen then? Please vote for this bill for the sake of improving public trust in our elections and government.</p> <p>Thank you so much and God bless each one of you,</p> <p>Donna LaBelle</p>
Kathleen Kreiselmeyer For themselves	<p>Please vote to discontinue Dominion and all other electronic voting systems in Colorado.</p>

<p>Paula Johnson For themselves</p>	<p>HB23-1055 is simple: prohibiting use of voting machines capable of wireless connections.</p> <p>Those in favor, want honest elections.</p> <p>Only the lazy or corrupt would be against it.</p> <p>FURTHERMORE, the machines are not supposed to be connected anyway!</p> <p>I'm in favor of this bill.</p> <p>I abhor cheating.</p>
<p>Diana Bara For themselves</p>	<p>I support HB23-1055 because it will end any controversy over our voting machines. It also reinforces the current election law that does not allow wireless devices in our voting machines. It will assure the Colorado voters that our elections are truly the "Gold Standard" as SOS Jena Griswold has told them. With the recent outcome of our midterm election, the citizens of CO are beginning to doubt if their vote was actually counted the way they voted. Removing all wireless capability in voting machines will prevent outside hacking that can change elections results, delete files and do other malicious activity. I support this bill.</p>
<p>Kathleen Chandler For themselves</p>	<p>Personal Testimony</p> <p>Kathleen Chandler</p> <p>LLS 23-0298</p> <p>Hello, my name is Kathleen Chandler. I am excited to testify in favor of Representative Bockenfeld's bill, 23-0298 – Prohibiting Wireless Networking Voting Systems.</p> <p>This question at hand is not one of past election integrity, but in the future trust of Coloradans in our election process.</p> <p>At this moment, I believe all people are questioning election systems and equipment. Is the equipment in Colorado vulnerable to hacking? Well, why ask that question when all we need to do is prevent any internet access to the equipment to begin with.</p> <p>This morning a coworker was telling me that LastPass, a password manager software, was hacked. He now has to change over 200 passwords, many</p>

	<p>that effect our company. Are you telling me, that voter systems are any less secure than a company that’s entire business is protecting passwords?</p> <p>This bill would take that doubt off the table.</p> <p>Trust in our elections is the basis of our representative republic. If we cannot trust the systems, the machines, we cannot trust the outcome. There will always be doubt. This bill takes that doubt out of the equation.</p> <p>Why not pass a simple law that clears the air for all sides to start to rebuild trust in the very fabric of our democracy – one vote, one person?</p> <p>I strongly urge your vote in favor of 23-0298 as the first step in restoring trust with YOUR electorate – the citizens of CO.</p> <p>By passing this bill, no one could argue that these machines can be hacked, overridden or otherwise not properly county your vote. With no access to any outside connection, one would have to purposefully be in the same room to gain access. No longer would there be an argument of “someone could change votes from afar.”</p> <p>This is a simple beginning fix to a more complex problem, voter trust. But we must start somewhere. I am a native and have never seen the issues of voting integrity so tear this beautiful state apart. Please help us retore TRUST in our most basic right, the right to vote.</p> <p>Therefore, I urge the passage of 23-0298.</p> <p>Respectfully, Kathleen Chandler</p>
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