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To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: SEB Meeting 8/18

Date: Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:46:32 PM

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My name is Tara Hill, and I am a Georgia voter. I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process. Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12. (a)(5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that (a) county election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification, and (b) we avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays and will sow distrust in election administration and results.

Thank you,

Tara

Tara Hill
(She/Her/Hers)
Paralegal



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To: SEB Public Comment

Subject: Comments for SEB Meeting on August 19
Date: Saturday, August 17, 2024 2:42:27 PM
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My name is Leslie Price and I am a Georgia voter.

I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

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Thank you!

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To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: Upcoming SEB Meeting on August 19
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My name is Seth Price, and I am a Georgia voter.

I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a)(5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

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Thank you.

-Seth Price

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 Subject:
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To Members, Georgia State Election Board:

I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12 and to strongly encourage the Board to approve this well-considered rule.

This type of reconciliation ensures the bedrock principle of one person, one vote and helps guard against the certification of inaccurate results. Just like when balancing a checkbook, if the numbers do not match up, there has been some sort of error that needs to be identified and corrected before results are certified. The proposed rule would make it easy to identify and correct any such discrepancies. Doing such a reconciliation is nothing more than common sense.

Failure to ensure accurate election results leads to distrust in our election system. It is vital that we, the citizens of Georgia, are able to trust the results of our primaries and elections, and the process outlined in the proposed rule is a key to achieving that goal.

The State Election Board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that ensure county boards of elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections. To that end, I urge the Board to give final approval to Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12.

Respectfully submitted,

James H. Moore, III Albany, Georgia



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To: SEB Public Comments; Mike Coan; jjohnstonmd.seb@gmail.com; Hardin, Alexandra (SEB)

 Subject:
 Opposition to Rule 183-1-12-.12

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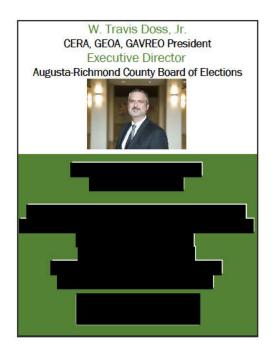
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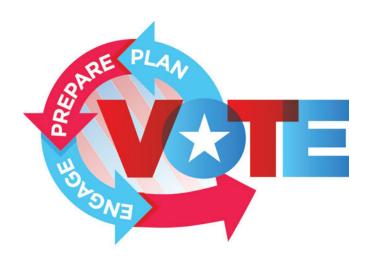
As an election official since 1995, the current President of GAVREO, and Executive Director of Richmond County, I strongly oppose the proposed amendment to rule 183-1-12-.12. This rule conflicts with state laws and SEB rules, specifically O.C.G.A 21-2-419(c)(1), O.C.G.A 21-2-386, and SEB rules 183-1-14-.02, 183-1-14-.03, and 183-1-14-.10, all of which allow registrars and voters three days to verify eligibility, cure absentee ballots, and receive military/overseas absentee ballots.

The proposed rule's requirement for Boards to meet by 3 PM on the Friday following the election, before all votes have been received and verified, is problematic. It forces Boards to review incomplete precinct returns, creating unnecessary confusion and potential discrepancies in vote totals, which could undermine public trust in the election process.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Sincerely,





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To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: Support for Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12

Date: Thursday, August 15, 2024 2:49:39 PM

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August 14, 2024

The State Election Board 2 MLK Jr. Drive Suite 802 Floyd West Tower Atlanta, GA 30334

Re: Support for proposed rule 183-1-12-.12

Dear Chairman Fervier and members of the Board,

My name is Richard Manning and I am the President of Americans for Limited Government.

The Constitutional principle of one person/one vote is inviolable if we are to maintain the fundamental concept of government by the consent of the governed. Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12 helps restore the people of Georgia's confidence in the integrity of the state's election system.

The State Election Board has never been more important than right now in restoring this essential trust that elections are safe, secure and transparent. It is fundamental that each county should be required to reconcile discrepancies between the numbers of votes, numbers of ballots, and numbers of voters BEFORE certifying election results. Georgia law (GA Code § 21-2-493[b]) already requires this basic, common sense procedure, and the proposed rule simply standardizes the implementation to assure every Georgian that their county is not disadvantaged by counties who fail to reconcile their books prior to certification.

Georgians deserve to know that their vote counts, and their vote matters. They need to trust their elections. I encourage you to support the proposed rule 183-1-12-.12 at your upcoming meeting. After all, if a clerk at a local convenience store has to reconcile their cash drawer before their shift ends, it certainly should be required when it comes to the sacred trust of counting ballots in our election system. In fact, this reconciliation should be the lowest common denominator to ensure that every legal vote is counted, but also that every legal vote is only counted once.

Sincerely,

Richard Manning
President
Americans for Limited Government
Americans for Limited Government Foundation



To reduce the size and scope of government to maximize individual freedom.

From:

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: Support proposed rule 183-1-12-.12

Date: Monday, August 12, 2024 7:57:38 PM

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Dear Georgia State Elections Board Member,

I am emailing you asking that you Support [VOTE YES!] for proposed rule 183-1-12-12!

This proposed rule is NOT controversial!

Just as the bank teller's cash drawer must reconcile daily, reconciliation of the voters to the ballots to the number of votes is imperative to ensure accurate election results.



Do the right thing! Support this rule change!

Sincerely,

Sandy Mentzel Chatham County voter From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: comply with Georgia Law
Wednesday, August 14 5

Date: Wednesday, August 14, 2024 10:27:29 AM

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Please support of SEB Proposed Rule for Reconciliation Prior to CertificationScreenshot 2024-08-10 at 15.16.59.png Proposed Rule for Reconciliation Prior to Certification-for Accurate Elections! The State Election Board of Georgia has published a proposed rule 183-1-12-.12 that mirrors and implements state law requiring reconciliation of voters to ballots before certification of the election ("Reconciliation"). The proposed rule creates a standard procedure for counties to comply with existing requirements in GA Code § 21-2-493(b) which mandates reconciliation of voters to ballots to votes prior to certification of election result

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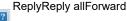
## Talking Points to Include in Comments:

- Reconciliation is already required under GA law. This rule implements the statutory requirement and clarifies a common-sense process to implement the statute.
- Reconciliation ensures one person-one vote and would guard against certification of inaccurate or erroneous results. For example, double scanning of ballots would be identified during reconciliation and corrected if there are more ballots counted than voters who voted.
- Reconciliation must match the number of voters to ballots from all methods of voting. Each
  precinct within the county has some voters who vote by Absentee, some during Advance Voting
  and others on Election Day. Precinct by precinct, the Board will compare the number of unique
  names by each voting method to the number of ballots cast of each type.
- No person may vote if they are not a qualified elector who provides proof of identity. At the time
  a person is allowed to cast a ballot, the County must know who they are. Counties will create a
  complete list of all unique voters who participated in the election and compare that list to the total
  ballots cast from each precinct.
- Compiling a complete list of unique voters to be quantified "before computing the votes cast in any precinct" is already required in the law. This rule just establishes the process to follow.
- The statute explicitly states that if the number of ballots exceeds the number of voters in any precinct, that "such excess shall be deemed a discrepancy and palpable error and shall be investigated" prior to recording any votes from the precinct with a voter deficit.
- Often these types of discrepancies are a result of human error which will be easily identified and remedied by the Board after review of the relevant election records and prior to certification.
- Just as the bank teller's cash drawer must reconcile daily, reconciliation of the voters to the ballots to the number of votes is imperative to ensure accurate election results.

Email public comments in support of the proposed rule for **Reconciliation 183-1-12-.12** to:

 $\underline{SEBPublicComments@sos.ga.gov}.$ 

The comments must be received no later than August 18th, 2024.



Add reaction

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To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: SEB Rule Comments

Date: Wednesday, September 15, 2021 9:48:50 AM

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RULE 183-1-12-.13. Storage of Returns

- (1) As provided by O.C.G.A. § 50-18-71, ballot images are subject to public disclosure. The election superintendent shall retain copies of all ballot images prior to depositing election materials to the clerk of superior court or the municipal clerk, as appropriate, in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 21-2-500 to ensure the election superintendent's ability to provide public access to ballot images.
  - (2) When ballot images are requested Election Superintendents shall not accept a medium for transference/copying from an outside source. This includes, but is not limited to, flash drives, hard drives, compact disks. Election Superintendents shall use their own medium and may charge the requestor for the cost of the medium per O.C.G.A. §50-18-71(c)(2).

RULE 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results.

# (b) Consolidation of Results

The election superintendent shall ensure all properly cast ballots are processed, counted, and tabulated as soon as possible and shall not cease such count and tabulation until all such ballots are counted and tabulated. Excludes provisional ballot and UOCAVA ballot processes due to additional time provided to those voters for return of requested information and/or UOCAVA ballots per O.C.G.A. §§21-2-386(a)(1)(G); 21-2

RULE 183-1-12-.18. Provisional Ballots.

(3)

i. Only precinct specific ballots are available on Election Day. Voters who choose to vote at an incorrect precinct will not have their specific ballot style.

RULE 183-1-14-.12: Eligibility of Application for Absentee Ballot.

(1) The application for an absentee ballot shall be in writing on the form made available by the Secretary of State and shall contain sufficient information for proper identification of the elector. To be deemed sufficient, an application for an absentee ballot must contain

the elector's name, date of birth, address as registered, address where elector wishes the ballot to be mailed, the number of his or her driver's license or identification card issued pursuant to Article 5 of chapter 5 of Title 40 or other allowable identification, and the signature of the applicant.

# This highlighted section is in direct conflict with 21-2-381 (D)

(D) Except in the case of physically disabled electors residing in the county or municipality or electors in custody in a jail or other detention facility in the county or municipality, no absentee ballot shall be mailed to an address other than the permanent mailing address of the elector as recorded on the elector's voter registration record or a temporary out-of-county or out-of-municipality address.

Voters will use various addresses as mailing addresses when they register based on their life at the time, i.e. school, business, relative. So if a typical voter wants their ballot mailed to a different mailing address than what's on file we must contact that voter, clarify the request and have them update their voter record; thereby delaying the issuance of the ballot. So either this rule needs to reference that somehow, or the law needs to be changed by the General Assembly to match the rule.

I can further explain if needed.

Thank you



**Lynn Ledford** | Division Director, Department of Community Service | Gwinnett County Government |

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jking.seb@gmail.com; SEB Public Comments

**Cc:** <u>Keith Abouchar</u>

**Subject:** Proposed Amendment to Rule 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Monday, August 19, 2024 1:12:26 PM

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Janelle King, Member (jking.seb@gmail.com)
SEBPublicComments@sos.ga.gov
Georgia State Election Board
2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive
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Atlanta, GA 30334

Re: Proposed Amendment to Rule 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

Dear Chair Fervier and State Election Board Members:

CREW, ACLU of Georgia and Public Rights Project object to a newly proposed rule that would illegally broaden county election board members' authority prior to election certification, under the guise of transparency.

The rule, which would allow county board members to examine "all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results," plainly exceeds the SEB's rulemaking authority, would invite abuse and could impose unreasonable burdens on Georgia election workers in the hectic six-day period between election day and certification.

The broad language of the rule is plainly in violation of the law and would not withstand judicial review—Georgia law does not vest power in individual members of county election boards and no Georgia statute grants even full county boards unconditional access to election documents.

Additionally, the proposed rule would invite disruption and abuse of county canvassing and certification, especially since it provides no safeguards against document requests designed to delay or obstruct the lawful certification process and does not limit access to documents containing sensitive personal information.

Already, a current member of the Fulton County Board of Registrations and Elections, Julie Adams, has burdened elections staff with demands for documents, refused to certify elections and provided no credible explanation as to why the extensive documents provided to her were insufficient—raising questions about her document demands and concerns about similar behavior at a larger scale should the rule be passed. During an election year where the concerns of election subversion are already high, the SEB should be looking to enact measures that bolster confidence in our elections, not ones that risk burdening election workers and legitimizing efforts to sabotage the certification process.

Full comment letter: <a href="https://www.citizensforethics.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/Comment-on-Proposed-Amendment-to-183-1-12.12-Grubbs-petition.pdf">https://www.citizensforethics.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/Comment-on-Proposed-Amendment-to-183-1-12.12-Grubbs-petition.pdf</a>

Yours sincerely. Robert E. Rutkowski

# Correspondence Team

From:

SEB Public Comments

Subject:

Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12

Date:

Monday, August 19, 2024 11:09:48 AM

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I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to approve it.

Georgia Code Section 2I-2-493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense.

This type of reconciliation ensures the bedrock principle of one person, one vote and helps guard against the certification of inaccurate results. Just like when balancing a checkbook, if the numbers do not match up, there has been some sort of error that needs to be identified and corrected before results are certified. The proposed rule would make it easy to identify and correct any such discrepancies.

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The State Election Board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that ensure county boards of elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections. To that end, I urge the Board to give final approval to Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12.

Sincerely,

Shannon Burwell

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From:

To:

SEB Public Comments

Subject: Support of SEB proposed rule 183-12-12

Date: Monday, August 19, 2024 7:53:09 AM

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I fully support SEB proposed rule 183-1-12-.12 which would require reconciliation of voters to ballots before certification of the election.

Thanks Tim Estes

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Monday, August 19, 2024 4:00:06 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Tiffany and I am a registered voter in Harris county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Tiffany Weatherholtz From:
To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: Support for Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12

Date: Monday, August 19, 2024 12:48:03 AM

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The State Election Board 2 MLK Jr. Drive Suite 802 Floyd West Tower Atlanta, GA 30334

Email: SEBPublicComments@sos.ga.gov

RE: Support for Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12

Distinguished Board Members,

Thank you for your service to the great state of Georgia. I serve as the Chair of an Illinois non-profit civic organization. We work to promote accuracy and transparency in elections. That work is very challenging in Illinois. For the past few years we have watched Georgia's positive achievements in your election processes with great interest. We write to express support for the passage of proposed rule 183-1-12-.12. This rule could be and should be a model for states across the nation.

It is a simple, common sense rule. It creates a standard procedure for counties to practice due diligence before each election is certified. That procedure helps to reconcile the number of ballots counted to the number of voters who voted. I understand that this required reconciliation of the count exists in GA Election Code 21-2-493(b).

Our nation's families and businesses would be a mess if they never reconciled their bank statements. In fact, too many of them are a mess for that very reason! I applaud you all for considering this rule and urge you to approve the rule. If the nation witnesses Georgia working proactively to avoid a "mess" over the election I believe it will be a great example and an incentive for other states to do likewise.

Sincerely,

Carol Davis, Chair, Illinois Conservative Union

Join the Illinois Election Integrity Program statewide coalition: <a href="www.IEIP.org">www.IEIP.org</a>
Patriots, be diligent. Tyranny is like rust; it never sleeps.

Illinois Conservative Union is organized as a not-for-profit 501(c)(4), non-partisan, Illinois Bona Fide State Civic Organization.

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From:

To: jfervier.seb@gmail.com; saraghazal.seb@gmail.com; jjohnstonmd.seb@gmail.com; rjeffares.seb@gmail.com;

jking.seb@gmail.com; SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** Public Comments for the August 19 2024 SEB Meeting

**Date:** Monday, August 19, 2024 12:45:15 AM

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State Election Board Members,

Please read this into the record.

As a Fulton County resident, I would like our citizens to have faith in our election system. As you are the parties responsible for oversight of our Georgia elections, you have the power to return trust to the People of Georgia.

The majority of people in our state believe that the Secretary of State, Brad Raffensperger, may soon be arrested for breaking laws and possibly even committing treason against our country by causing election interference.

I would hope that none of you on the SEB would want to further an agenda that allows for criminal behavior and election (and even voter) interference. As such, I kindly ask that you do the following.

Remove the hackable, illegal voting machines. Fix the dirty voter rolls. Take proactive steps such as public notices to stop illegals from voting in Georgia elections. In addition, I request that you do the following.

## Please support:

Reconciliation & Certification Improvements – Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12 Tabulating Results

Count Total Ballots When Scanner Box Emptied – Amendments to Rule 183-1-12-.12(a)(5)

Public Posting of Reconciliation – Amendments to Rule 183-1-12-.12(e)

Public Posting of Eligible Voters List Prior to Election – submitted by Lucia Frazier

Public Posting of Voters Who Voted after an Election - submitted by Lucia Frazier

Voter Roll Public Posting and downloadable for free - submitted by Lucia Frazier

Petitioners to Request SEB to Initiate Rule-making Process on Proposed Rules:

### Please Oppose:

Optional Emergency Balloting - submitted by Debbie Dooley Required Emergency Balloting – submitted by Marilyn Marks The proposal by Ryan Germany that his selected team be assigned to the monitoring process of the 2024 election in Fulton County. The SEB2023-015 complaint proved that they lied by claiming there was no fraud, errors or irregularities in the 2020 election and covered up

the problems.

Thank you.

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Sincerely,

Jami Tucker, Fulton County resident

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:30:40 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

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Sincerely, Heaven Hughes

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:57:54 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Terence Clemons

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:31:41 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Heidi and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Heidi Brau From: To:

SEB Public Comments

Subject:

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:30:53 PM

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Hi,

I am Anna Redding a Georgia Voter,

Please vote AGAINST rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a) (5).

This proposed rule would allow election staff to make illegal changes to certification of voting results. That is a burden for them and too risky for personal intervention.

I agree with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

If you vote AGAINST these revisions it will help to safeguard the election staff from the burden of unlawful political intervention and prevent distrust among voters.

It is a tense time in this country and we need to do all we can to safeguard the election process that we trust.

Please vote AGAINST these proposed revisions.

Thank you Anna Redding

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:24:51 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Nicholas and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Nicholas Julian

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:06:43 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Renada Williams

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 9:52:26 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Eric and I am a registered republican voter in Fulton County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Eric Goldfarb

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 9:31:25 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely,

L. Alembik

From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Reconciliation 183-1-12-.12

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 9:18:04 PM

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It is important that the public be allowed to view and access the vote tally and ensure the authenticity of not only their own vote but of their friends, family, neighbors, and wider community. An inauthentic, or illegal vote, does not just create turmoil and questions when it comes to voting, but it is disenfranchisement by its very nature. The vote of someone not apart of the community in which they are residents illegally or are barred from voting on due to temporary legal residency as opposed to citizenry, is a vote that neutralizes the votes of a legal citizen in Georgia. Please pass the resolutions that ensure that our votes, the votes of your constituents and their families, are protected and enabled to be fully vetted not just by experts, but by the common man on the most local of levels. This will also be of use in catching id theft in such cases of a Georgians voting being cast without their knowledge as well, which is also a disenfranchisement of legal citizens

Thank you,

Chris J.

Warner Robins

 From:
 SEB Public Comments

 To:
 SEB 183-1-12-.12

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 9:06:32 PM

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I support this proposed measure. I hope that you will it careful consideration. Our elections should be as secure as possible. Thank you.

Tanja Cochran

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 9:06:19 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_Iris Wallace\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, ) in \_Fulton\_\_ county, age 77.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, IRIS WALLACE

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:59:24 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_Gwendolyn Robinson\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter in \_\_Chatham\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Gwendolyn Robinson

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:21:07 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Chareyes Jobes

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:21:05 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Bridgette Riggins and I am a registered voter in Bibb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Bridgette Riggins

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 7:36:30 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Victoria Bryant and I am a registered voter.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Victoria Bryant

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 7:34:31 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is angela manuel and I am a registered voter, in chatham county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Manuel Angela 
 From:
 SEB Public Comments

 To:
 SEB Public Comments

 Subject:
 Support of rule 183-1-12-.12

 Date:
 Sunday, August 18, 2024 7:17:53 PM

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I am writing as a Georgia voter in support of rule 183-1-12-.12. As Georgia citizens, we have nothing if we cannot have faith in our electoral process. This rule is important to make sure that our mail-in ballots are legitimate and can be reconciled with the voter rolls.

Thank you,

Jill E. Musgrove

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 7:15:30 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Rhonda Cook and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Rhonda Cook

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 6:52:50 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Karen Purnell and I am a registered voter in Cherokee county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Karen Purnell

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 6:47:28 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Stacey Kohler and I am a registered voter in Paulding county.

In 2016 I received a mailer proclaiming how secure Georgia Georgia were. Nothing has happened to change that, and they're is no need to change Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

Georgia tenement passed a law stating that there is a deadline for certifying selecting. This will only delay things and cause unnecessary trouble.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, stacey kohler

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 6:40:46 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Mary Travis\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Gilmer county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Mary Travis

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 6:32:00 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Dana Williams and I am a registered voter in Clayton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Dana Williams From:

To:
SEB Public Comments

Subject:
Proposed Rule 183-1-12

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 6:28:59 PM

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Dear State Election Board Members,

As a GA resident who is concerned about election integrity, I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to approve it.

Georgia Code Section 2I-2-493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense.

This type of reconciliation ensures the bedrock principle of one person, one vote and helps guard against the certification of inaccurate results. Just like when balancing a checkbook, if the numbers do not match up, there has been some sort of error that needs to be identified and corrected before results are certified. The proposed rule would make it easy to identify and correct any such discrepancies.

Failure to ensure accurate election results leads to distrust in our election system. It is vital that we, the citizens of Georgia, are able to trust the results of our primaries and elections, and the process outlined in the proposed rule is a key to achieving that goal.

The State Election Board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that ensure county boards of elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections. To that end, I urge the Board to give final approval to Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12.

Thank you,

Ruth Baareman

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 6:19:07 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Katy Crowther and I am a registered voter in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Kathryn Crowther

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 6:09:03 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Susan Taylor

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 6:06:49 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Julie Shaw and I am a registered voter in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Julie Shaw From:

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: Please Vote YES for these Petitions!!

Date: Sunday, August 18, 2024 6:05:26 PM

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Dear SEB Members,

I strongly urge you to vote in favor of these three vital petitions;

[1] 183-1-12-.12(a)(5) .... Sharlene Alexander petition to do a **Hand Count of Total Ballots at each Precinct on Election Day**.

[2]] 183-1-12-.12 .... Salleigh Grubbs petition enforcing **County Board Certification rights to examine election records.** 

[3] 183-1-12-.12(e) Gail Lee petition for a **Reconciliation Report of Total Ballots Cast to Total Voters who voted in each precinct**.

Thank you for voting on behalf of the citizens of Georgia.

## **Geralyn Daniel**

Sent from my iPhone

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 5:59:20 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Dyann Ryans and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, in Clayton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Dyann Ryans From:
To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: Re: Comments RE: State Election Board Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12.

**Tabulating Results** 

Date: Sunday, August 18, 2024 5:53:09 PM

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To all interested parties and persons for Public Comment RE subject Proposed Rulemaking Revisions:

The purpose of this email is to provide my input and opposition to the State Election Board Proposed New Rule Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results, notice of proposed rulemaking 183 1 12 12 1 v2.pdf (ga.gov). These amendments are superfluous checks and only complicate the current system. The recounts in Georgia of the national election of 2020 Georgia, at least 3 times, resulted in no change to the outcome. Joe Biden won. The current method and recent elections have not given the Board just cause or reason for such review and examination.

The majority of taxpayers would not approve of wasting already limited resources. People who vote do so to exercise their rights in the hopes of a fair and honest election, and timely certification of results.

Sincerely,

Karen Steinberg

From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: County Elections

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 5:43:50 PM

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Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a)(5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

- Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that:
- County election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification.

Thank you. Elizabeth Wildman

Sent from Gmail Mobile

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 5:51:51 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Angelica Patterson

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 5:43:04 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Sandy McGrew from Canton GA and I am a registered voter in Cherokee county GA. Please reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is another way to impose voter suppression upon citizens who have the right to vote.

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rule making record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Stop making it harder for qualified voters to fulfill their civic duty.

Sincerely, Sandy McGrew

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 5:41:27 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Siddiqa Gibson and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter in Henry county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Siddiqa Gibson

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 5:33:34 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Betty \_\_ and I am a registered voter in \_Chatham county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Betty Shell From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** Vote against

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 5:32:17 PM

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please vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a)(5) relating to election certification by county election boards. Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that: County election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification.

Jean Schick

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 5:17:52 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Nancy James and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Dekalb county..

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Nancy James

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 5:16:01 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Erica Myrick

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 5:15:52 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is wanda Bailey and I am a registered voter, Election Board Member, in Henryvcounty.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Wanda Bailey-Jenkins

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 5:14:52 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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Sincerely, Jerretta Jackson

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 5:12:51 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Antonio Jackson

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 4:48:19 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Wendy M Hannor

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 4:43:11 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_Carole\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter in \_\_Fulton\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Carole Walton

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 4:43:10 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Angela Allen and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because of a host of reasons, including threatening counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. That, to my way of thinking, could only be motivated by a political agenda.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents. Making significant changes to the rules governing Georgia's elections even though the election is just months away greatly increases my concern that the Board members would not be fulfilling their duty to ensure the "fair, legal, and orderly conduct" of Georgia elections.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Angela Allen

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 4:32:11 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Shari Blalock and I am a registered voter in Cobb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

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Sincerely, Shari Blalock

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 3:54:54 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

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Sincerely, Stephanie Winn

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 3:54:33 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is LaTanya Moore and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Chatham county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, LaTanya Moore

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 3:43:40 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Jessica Gardner and I am a registered voter in Bartow County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

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Sincerely, Jessica Gardner

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 3:21:43 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Heather Dever From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** In Support of Garland Favorito"s Proposed SEB Rule Changes

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 3:15:40 PM

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Dear Chairman Fervier and Board Members,

I write to you in support of Garland Favorito's two Proposed SEB Rule Changes which will help to ensure free, fair and transparent elections in our state.

The first, an amendment to Rule 183-1-12-.13 Storage of Returns, provides that the memory cards used to accumulate all of the data generated by the Dominion electronic voting system, be retained in a secure manner and, like all other election records, for a period of 24 months as stipulated by Georgia Code. The cards should not be over-ridden with data from subsequent elections or run-offs as was allowed by uninformed persons at the Secretary of State's office in 2020. What they did was particularly egregious considering that this was the first time the new Dominion system was deployed in GA elections. Valuable data was lost that prevented an adequate investigation of rather widespread anomalies in that election. The cost to the county and state will be minimal compared to the damage that has already been done to voter confidence in the election process.

The second Favorito Proposal, amendments to <u>Rule 183-1-12-.12 Tabulating Results</u> and <u>Rule 183-1-14-.02 Advance Voting</u>, provide that the counts from the scanner tabulator tapes be recorded on the appropriate forms and considered in the reconciliation process, and that any discrepancies be resolved prior to further action being taken. The inclusion of tabulator tape counts will help to detect any ballot counting errors that may have occurred during the conduct of the election. Failure to include these provisions in the original rules may have allowed errors in the new Dominion Voting System to go undetected in all preceding elections. The Board must correct this omission before the critical 2024 election.

Thank you for your service on this important volunteer Board. Your dedication to truth and transparency is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Victoria E. Cruz, M.D.

US Citizen
GA Citizen
Oconee County Citizen
Registered GA Voter

From:

To: SEB Public Comments

 Subject:
 183-1-12-.12 comment DO NOT APPROVE

 Date:
 Sunday, August 18, 2024 3:12:23 PM

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Please vote NO (DO NOT APPROVE) this rule requiring poll workers to count ballots at each poll on election night. This proposed rule would reduce the integrity of the election by putting more hands, unnecessarily, on paper ballots. Tabulation of ballots would be subject to more problems. Please vote no, and please include my comment in the comment period.

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Sincerely David King

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 3:10:08 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_Victoria\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_Carroll\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Victoria Murchison

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 3:04:29 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is William Sexton and I am a registered voter in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, William Sexton From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** Public comment FOR reconciliation PRIOR to certification

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 2:53:41 PM

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Dear SEB-

Reconciliation is required under GA law. It is imperative that Georgia has accurate and transparent elections that the state electorate can trust and believe the results. Reconciliation ensures one person to one vote and guard against certification of inaccurate or erroneous results. For example, double scanning of ballots would be identified during reconciliation (and not years later) and corrected if there are more ballots counted than voters who voted. Who does not want this accuracy? Precinct by precinct, the Board will compare the number of unique names by each voting method to the number of ballots cast of each type.

Additionally, no person may vote if they are not a qualified elector who provides PROOF of identity. The Reconciliation rule 183-1-12-.12 establishes the process to follow to ensure a complete list of unique voters to be quantified "before computing the votes cast in any precinct". The statute explicitly states that if the number of ballots exceeds the number of voters in any precinct, that "such excess shall be deemed a discrepancy and palpable error and shall be investigated" PRIOR to recording any votes from the precinct with a voter deficit.

Reconciliation of voters to the ballots to the number of votes is imperative to ensure accurate election results. I'm sad to know this obvious solution was not already a rule but under your leadership can be rectified in time for this most historic election in the direction of our country. Many have given their lives and treasure to afford the people the right to elect their chosen leaders and it is imperative we pay this gift forward to future generations. It is difficult to believe anyone on this Board does not understand what the correct vote is to adopt this rule. I pray you have strength and integrity to vote in favor of giving Georgians confidence that our vote counts, our elections are true and it is provable by reconciliation.

For a free Georgia,

Cheryl Lavette

Sent from my iPhone

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 2:49:54 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is registered voted \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in muscogee county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Hilda Govan-Harris From:
To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** Proposed Revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a)(5)

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 2:45:41 PM

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My name is Edward Shartar and I am a Georgia voter. I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12. (a)(5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that county election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification and we avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays, unnecessarily sowing distrust in election administration and results.

SIncerely,

Ed Shartar

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 2:44:30 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is

Debra Turner and I have been a registered voter in DeKalb County for over 32 years, currently in the process of registering to vote in Fulton county where I have recently moved.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Debra Turnet From:

To: SEB Public Comments

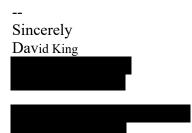
 Subject:
 183-1-12-.12 comment - DO NOT APPROVE

 Date:
 Sunday, August 18, 2024 2:42:27 PM

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Please vote NO (i.e. <u>do not approve</u>) on this proposed rule that requires poll workers to count ballots on the night of election. This will substantially delay vote tabulation on the evening of the election, and it will reduce the integrity of the election by permitting more sets of hands touch paper ballots. This rule is totally unnecessary and unacceptable as a Georgia vote.

Please include my comment in the comment period for this rule change.



To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 2:36:27 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Jan Hudson and I am a registered voter in Oconee County, Georgia.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

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Sincerely, Jan Hudson

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 2:33:24 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Jason Heffernan and I am a registered voter in Pickens county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Jason Heffernan

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 2:33:05 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

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Sincerely, Tara Scott-Brown

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 2:30:41 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_Annette Mitchell and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Chatham \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Annette Stewart Mitchell

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 2:30:23 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

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Sincerely, Nellie Darity

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 2:24:28 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Carrie Sedgman and I am a registered voter, in Pickens county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Carrie Sedgman

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 2:22:17 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Brandy and I am a registered voter in Forsyth county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Brandy Thompson

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 2:15:53 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Lula Memminger

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_kathryn nadler\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in houston county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Kathryn Nadler

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 1:58:57 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Jane Grant

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 1:58:17 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_Roslyn Winston\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Fultonu county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Roslyn Winston

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 1:51:15 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Mary W. Jackson and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Mary Jackson

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 1:49:41 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_brandon\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_bleckley\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Brandon Watkins

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 1:42:14 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters. The right of every citizen to vote must not be infringed upon by you who are supposed to help voters vote. This is unconstitutional.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents. There are too many documents which have ZERO to do with tabulation of votes. This is an effort to slow down certification and delay the voting process. Why is this being done?

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are. Undermining the confidence of our voters is not the Election Boards' duty, function or mandate. We, the people, did NOT give permission for you to do this. We did not vote on this. This is illegal.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Gwendolyn Glover

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 1:18:48 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Rita Orange From: on behalf of <u>Cheryle Jennings</u>

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 1:16:06 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Cheryle Jennings\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Bibb\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Cheryle Jennings

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 1:06:48 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_Relay\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Baldwin\_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Relay Whipple

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 1:06:41 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is David Mitchell and I am a registered voter in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, David Mitchell

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 1:02:11 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Leonard Jordan

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 12:56:03 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Kera Felton and I am a registered voter in Macon County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Kera Felton

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 12:55:54 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Janet Horvath

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 12:44:05 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, RAMONA RHODEN

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 12:47:07 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_Barbara Pierce\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Muscogee urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Barbara Pierce

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 12:43:01 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Dariun Bell

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 12:31:05 PM

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I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Omar Williams

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 12:21:57 PM

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Sincerely, Mamie Horne

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 12:17:57 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_Greg\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Macon-Bibb\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Greg Turner

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Sincerely, Danny Dunworth

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Sincerely, Philip STARKS

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Sincerely, Angela NemardJackson

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 12:14:40 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_Laronda Young\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_Lowndes\_county.

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Sincerely, Laronda Young

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 12:11:38 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_michael westbrooks\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Bibb county.

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Sincerely, Michael Westbrooks

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Sincerely, Elizabeth Bullard

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 12:07:57 PM

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Sincerely, JANIDA YANCY

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Sincerely, Beverly Kirk

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 12:06:39 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_CB\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_bibb\_\_\_ county.

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Sincerely, CATHY Battle

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Sincerely, Joel Burkhart

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Sincerely, Willie Floyd

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Sincerely, Sekeitha King

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 12:00:38 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_lula hobes\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_bleckley\_\_ county.

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Sincerely, Lula Hobes

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:59:53 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is consuelo blye and I am a registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Houston county.

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Sincerely, Consuelo Blye

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Rhonda and I am a registered voter in Sumter county.

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Sincerely, Rhonda Reddick

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Keyenna Woodson

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Paul Abrelat and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Elnora Hill, and I am a registered voter in Lowndes county.

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is David Kelly and I am a registered voter in Gwinnett county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, David Kelly

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:56:49 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is David Heifetz and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, David Heifetz From:
To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** Proposed Rule - 183-1-12-.12 - Tabulating Results - PLEASE DO NOT APPROVE

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:56:37 AM

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Dear State Election Board Members:

I am writing to express my vehement protest against the approval of the proposed rule - 183-1-12-.12 - Tabulating Results. I am a poll worker in DeKalb County, and a super voter.

The first of these proposed changes are attempting to mandate that county boards must hold a meeting to complete the canvass before the end of the statutory period for ballot curing and provisional ballot verification. Additionally, county boards are prohibited from counting votes from any precinct where there is a discrepancy between the number of ballots cast and the number of unique voter IDs.

- *Undermining County Certification:* This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted.
- Potential for Unnecessary Individuals to Insert Themselves Into the Election Certification Process: The rule, as proposed, creates avenues for malicious actors to disrupt the election process under the guise of addressing discrepancies. It could be exploited to sow doubt and distrust in election outcomes.
- Impact on Voter Confidence: At some point, implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections, to the detriment of ALL election races. By magnifying discrepancies and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

This proposed rule seeks to mandate that at the end of each voting day, ballot boxes must be unsealed and the ballots counted by three independent poll officers. They must agree on the total count, and any discrepancies should be investigated and documented promptly. This will add additional time and effort to the work of the poll workers (of whom I am one, in DeKalb County.) There are already successful reconciliation efforts in place for tracking any absentee ballots. This is problematic in that this will add more time AND unnecessary ballot access within an already long day for poll officials, especially during the advance voting period. It is NOT necessary.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rule making record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as

required by statute.

Respectfully submitted, D. Denise Peterson

From:

To: SEB Public Comments; saraghazal.seb@gmail.com; jfervier.seb@gmail.com; jjohnstonmd.seb@gmail.com;

rjeffares.seb@gmail.com; jking.seb@gmail.com; Coan, Michael (SEB); Hardin, Alexandra (SEB) Comments re: proposed amendments to SEB Rules 183-1-12-.12(a)(5) and 183-1-12-.12(.1)

**Subject:** Comments re: proposed amendments to SEB Rules **Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:55:55 AM

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Dear Members of the State Election Board:

I currently serve on the Gwinnett Board of Voter Registrations and Elections. For the six years prior to being sworn in to the Board, I was involved in advocacy for voters in Georgia, having acted as a liaison to Gwinnett County for Georgia Democratic Party's Voter Protection and as a captain on the voter hotline. I have been a resident of Lawrenceville in Gwinnett County for thirty-nine years and have been an active Georgia voter since 1981.

I urge the State Election Board to reject the petition to revise SEB Rule 183-1-12-.12(a)(5) which would require hand-counting of all ballots at each precinct before transmitting the ballots to the elections office, for the following reasons:

- 1) The proposed amendment is unnecessary because precincts are already required to reconcile the numbers of voters, between poll pads and Ballot Marking Devices, throughout the day and at the close of the polls.
- 2) The proposed amendment is burdensome and costly. Small precincts, even in large counties, often have fewer than six poll officials working there. This would require counties to hire additional poll officials. This requirement would add even more time to the very long work day for poll officials. It would also be a financial burden on counties which would need to compensate poll officials for their additional time.
- 3) It is challenging enough for counties to find a sufficient number of poll officials to work for low wages and stipends. Adding these unnecessary responsibilities and hours would make adequate staffing of precincts even more difficult.
- 4) The unnecessary handling of ballots invites damage, loss, and potential nefarious activities related to these ballots. Hand-counting is not as accurate as tabulating by machines. The poll workers are exhausted by the time the polls close and would thereby be more prone to error in counting ballots by hand.
- 5) Ballots being handled by six different people in each of the numerous precincts throughout Georgia, instead of being processed in the secure confines of each county's election office, would make Georgia's elections less secure.

I urge the State Election Board to reject the petition to revise SEB Rule 183-1-12-.12(.1) which would require Election Boards to meet by 3pm on the Friday following the election and prepare many lists of voters by category of voting and by precinct, for the following reasons:

1) The proposed amendment is unnecessary as the processes which are already in place

prevent a person from voting twice.

- 2) The requirement for an election staff to prepare voting lists by categories of type of ballots cast and precincts, in addition to all responsibilities already assigned to an elections staff following the election, would pose an undue burden on each county. This would also impose additional costs on counties which would be forced to hire additional staff to meet the amendment's unnecessary requirements.
- 3) Voters have until the close of business on Friday after the election to cure ballots, and UOCAVA ballots are not due until the close of business on the Friday after the election. It makes NO sense to have the Board meet and categorical lists of voters created before UOCAVA ballots and the curing of ballots are due.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that this board include this comment in the rulemaking record. If the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, I request that a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption be issued to the public, providing therein the Board's reason for overruling this consideration that urges against the adoption of the above-referenced amendments.

Sincerely,

Loretta J. Mirandola

Loretta J. Mirandola <u>Member, Gwinnett County Board of Voter Registrations and Elections</u>

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Gwendolyn Johnson and I am a registered voter, in Henry County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Gwendolyn Johnson

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Andrea Morin Heifetz and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

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Sincerely, Natosha Wallace

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Sincerely, Kenyatta White

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Sincerely, Shaquanna Stewart

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Erin Olander and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Fukton county.

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My name is P Renee Theodore and I am a registered voter in Bibb county.

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Sincerely, Phyllis Renee Theodore

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Sincerely, Brenda Mansfield

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Eve Wright and I am a registered voter in Fayette county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Eve Wright

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Teresa Canzoneri and I am a registered voter in Dekalb County.

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Sincerely, Teresa Canzoneri

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Larry Lowe and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

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Sincerely, Larry Lowe Larry Lowe

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:47:09 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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Sincerely, Tarious Pitts

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:46:52 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Marilynn Waters and I am a registered voter in Sumter county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Marilynn Waters

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_RC\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Richard Clay

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

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I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Gary Warner

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:45:16 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Taylor McClain and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Taylor McClain

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_deziyah gooch \_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_bleckley\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Deziyah Gooch

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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Sincerely, Deborah Evans

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:43:16 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_Willie Dumas\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

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Sincerely, Willie Dumas

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_Sharon and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

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Sincerely, Sharon Dumas

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:42:21 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Sherrie Crow and I am a registered voter in Dekalb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, SHERRIE CROW

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:40:55 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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Sincerely, Calvin Thomas

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_Cynthia Edwards \_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_Baldwin\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Cynthia Edwards

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Isabella Yélamo-Cockcroft and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Isabella Yelamo-Cockcroft

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:37:52 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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Sincerely, Nadia Rouse

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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Sincerely, Adrianna Cooper-Jones

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:36:55 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Cheryl Jacoby and I am a registered voter in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Cheryl Jacoby

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_Martha Harrell\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_Houston\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Martha Harrell

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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Sincerely, Shirley Washington

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:36:18 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Marion Cockcroft I am a registered voter in Fulton County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Tonza S. Thomas and I am a registered voter in Muscogee County.

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Sincerely, Carol Spain

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_Jeneverlyn Tookes\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: \*registered voter\*, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Macon\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Jeneverlyn Tookes

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Troy Riley and I am a registered voter in Lowndes county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in county.

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Sincerely, Bobbie Farrar

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Sandra Watkins and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Bleckley county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Sandra Watkins

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Sincerely, Jennifer Emory

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Sheri Simo and I am a registered voter in Cobb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Sheri Simon

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_Richard Weldon \_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_houston\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Richard Weldon From:
To:
SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** Proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a)(5)

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My name is Lesley High and I am a Georgia voter.

I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a)(5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that county election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification. Voting against these revisions will avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

As a poll worker I have participated in the processes that safeguard the vote and I have seen the dedication of everyone working at my poll location to ensure an accurate vote count. The safeguards are already in place and the burden on poll workers is already heavy to ensure the accuracy of the vote count and the integrity of the voting process and return the results in a compressed timeframe. Adding unnecessary and duplicative processes to an already secure election processes does nothing but increase the already considerable stress on poll workers and perpetuate the myth that recent election results have been suspect. No actual evidence documented by lawsuits, recounts or audits has ever demonstrated material errors or fraud in the existing election process at the polls in Georgia.

Please do not support and endorse the efforts to introduce chaos and doubt into this election by approving these proposed rule revisions.

Thank you.

Lesley High Georgia voter and poll worker

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Darlene Peterson and I am a poll worker in DeKalb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is completely unreasonable first and foremost because we are INSIDE a 90 day window before the actual election, and within the 70 day window for advance voting, and within the 30 day window for the distribution of absentee ballots. This is super problematic because the counties are desperately trying to finalize their county level procedures to be developed and distributed among their staff, and for the staffs to develop any local training required to adequately train the LIMITED numbers of poll workers who are available and eligible to work both advance voting and election day sites. How will we ever have the absolute best poll work force if the rules keep changing? It is very shortsighted to make changes at this point.

Additionally, this rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by adding unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process, in a time when the election results will be more eagerly anticipated than EVER BEFORE. Why are there efforts to incite voters by giving them FALSE reasons to doubt the results? The results of the 2020 STATEWIDE Elections were reviewed at LEAST 3 times, and confirmed to be SIGNIFICANTLY SECURE, as they had been in PREVIOUS ELECTIONS. As a side note, I note that there was only 1 race for which the certification was challenged, and the results of most of the down ballot races were accepted as valid. I wonder why?

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents. in most cases, their limited role as a board member does not AUTOMATICALLY provide the required level of expertise to make judgements.

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Sincerely,
Darlene Peterson

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Diann Riley and I am registered voter, in Lowndes county.

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Sincerely, Diann Riley

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Halley Cornell and I am a registered voter in DeKalb County.

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Barbara Davis. I'm registered to vote in DeKalb county.

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Sincerely, Nicole Williams

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Dr. Felicia S Williams and I am a registered voter in Lowndes County. I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process. The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Felicia Williams

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_David D. Ratliff\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_DeKalb\_\_ county.

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Sincerely, David Ratliff

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Marcus and I am a registered voter in Sumter county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Marcus Douglas

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:26:48 AM

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I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Donice Bryant

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Sincerely, Jill Harrison

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Andrea Thomas-Ingram and I am a registered voter, in Bibb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Dee Dee Moore and I am a registered voter in Lowndes county.

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Sincerely, Constalina James

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Mikal and I am a registered voter in Sumter county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Mikal Douglas

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is \_Joseph Calloway\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in macon Bibb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Joe Calloway

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Joy McLeod and I am a registered voter in Fulton County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Joy McLeod

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:24:49 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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Sincerely, Brenda Woodford

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Hollis and I am a registered voter in Sumter county.

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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Sincerely, Babby Bonds

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Sincerely, Chaka Hardy

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:21:55 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Suzanne Greene and I am a registered voter in Gwinnett county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Suzanne Greene

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Pam Douglas and I am a registered voter in Sumter county.

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Sincerely, Pam Douglas

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Terri Steward and I am a registered voter, in Lowndes county.

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Sincerely, Terri Steward

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_TeLeah Dunbar\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_Douglas\_\_ county.

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Sincerely, TeLeah Dunbar

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Sincerely,

Dr. Lucretia Andrews

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Shirley Hardin and I am a registered voter in Lowndes County, GA.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_Quineet Westbrooks\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Bibb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Quinette Westbrooks

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Brittany and I am a registered voter.

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Sincerely, Brittany Weaver

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:14:22 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Avis and I am a registered voter in Lowndes county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Avis Wilson

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Tara Walker From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** vote no on proposed revisions 183-1-12 and 183-1-12-12(a)(5)

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:12:33 AM

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My name is Kathy, and I am a Georgia voter.

I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a)(5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

- Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that:
- County election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification.

We avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

Changing the rules just before an election invites errors.

Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays, unnecessarily sowing distrust in election administration and results.

Thank you in advance for your fast action on this very important matter.

Kathy Solley

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:11:49 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is DESMOND BROWN and I am a : registered voter in MACON-BIBB county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, DESMOND BROWN

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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Sincerely, Carol Killings

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:10:58 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_Brenda\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Dooly county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Brenda Troutman

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:10:43 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Sherona Towns and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter in Dooly County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Sherona Towns

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is\_\_Gyna Ward\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

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Sincerely, Gyna Ward

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:08:08 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Ashley Davis and I am a registered voter in Dekalb county in Atlanta.

I am personally scared that this coming election could fracture and destroy our democracy if we allow Trump to take office. I am a descendant of a signer of the Declaration of Independence and others who were integral in the Culper Spy ring ran by George Washington. I take our freedom, rights won by others and our country very seriously.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Ashley Davis

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:09:45 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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Sincerely, Hope Brown

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:07:47 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Caitlin and I am a registered voter in Bibb county.

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Sincerely, Caitlin Mee

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:06:17 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Dr. Cynthia Scurry-Brooklin, and I am a registered voter in Lowndes county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Cynthia Scurry-Brooklin

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:05:50 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Kimberly and I am a registered voter, in Chatham county.

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Sincerely, Kimberly Rhodes

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:05:02 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Velesia Grant and I am a registered voter in Crisp county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:04:52 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Allison Saccoman and I am registered voter in Minnesota. I am writing on behalf of the American people in concern for the stability of our democratic processes and the trust of the American people.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Allison Saccoman

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:04:51 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is \_Gary Davis\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_ registered voter in Cobb\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Gary Davis

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that Learel E Chisholmapplies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

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Sincerely, Learel E Chisholm

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Marsha Fullard and I am a registered in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Marsha Fullard

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Tangela Kimber and I am a registered voter in Lowndes County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Tangela Kimber

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:02:59 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Gretchen Massey, and I am single mom voter in Fulton County. I also have early roots in rural Screven County, GA, and collegiate living from my days at Mercer University (undergrad) and Georgia Southern (grad)...so I have extensive experience as a voter in all types of Georgia's communities through the years.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because it significantly threatens ALL counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Again, I speak as a woman who has voted for BOTH parties in Fulton, DeKalb, Bulloch, Bibb, and Screven counties throughout my 32 years as a registered voter...this bogus rule does NOTHING to improve the voting process nor the results for millions of Georgia voters.

Let's put the 2020 election and Georgia's embarrassing role in it behind us... the people of Georgia WILL speak... please be on the just side of history.

Thank you.

Sincerely, Gretchen Massey

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:01:37 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Alishia Stack, and I am a registered voter in Lowndes County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Alishis Stack

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 11:01:36 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Keltrice Hardin and I am a registered voter in Lowndes County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Keltrice Hardin

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, LACONYA MCCRAE

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:59:59 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_Marie Dunn and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_Gwinnett\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Marie Dunn

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:58:28 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Deborah Sykes\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Ga county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Deborah Sykes

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Edward Christie and I am a registered voter in Cobb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Edward Christie

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is LaTonia Knight and I am a registered voter in Lowndes county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, LaTonia Knight

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:52:38 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Elizabeth Joyner and I am a registered voter in DeKalb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Elizabeth Joyner

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:51:57 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_Ms. T Godwin\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_Cobb\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Tamiko Godwin

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:51:17 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is LIzz Williams and I am a registered voter in Gwinnett county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Lizz Williams

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:50:18 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Ponhsa\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Ponhsa Bumpas

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:49:11 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Melanie Eyre, and I have been a registered voter in Fulton County for over 20 years and remain so. I'm also a veteran, having proudly served on active duty and in the reserves, protecting the rights passed down to us including the right to have our votes counted. I have never had any doubt, until now, that this fundamental right was protected in Georgia.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because it will slow the certification process of our elections, thus throwing the integrity of our election process into doubt for absolutely no reason. There has never been any credible evidence that election irregularities have affected the outcome of our Georgia elections, and it is not the job of the Election Board to sow public distrust for partisan gain, or to put its thumb on the scale in favor of its preferred candidate.

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Melanie Eyre

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:48:47 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Thameka Miller Akpan and I am a registered voter in Lowndes county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Thameka Miller Akpan

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:47:01 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Kengreal Porter

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Mary Cross and I am a registered voter, in Sumter county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Mary Cross

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:45:42 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Sonya Patterson and I am a registered voter and trained poll monitor in Fulton County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Sonya Patterson

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Chandra F. Blanks and I am a Election Official in Dekalb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Chandra F Blanks

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:45:08 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_Serita Napoleon \_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Gwinnett \_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Serita Napoleon

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:44:50 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Deborah Robinson Herring and I am a Registered Voter and Poll Worker in Fulton County. We don't cheat!

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Deborah Robinson Herring

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:44:42 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Beverly Green and I am a registered voter, in Fulton County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Beverly Green

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:44:07 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Daphne Johnson

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:43:27 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Sandy and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, in Macon county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Sandy Melvin

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:42:48 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Hudson Marr and I am a registered voter, in Fulton County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Some of you convened for a rushed meeting on July 12th to push through your partisan agenda and while you did not provide ample notice to other members you were provided warning from Republican Georgia Attorney General Chris Carr that the said meeting could violate the state's Open Meetings Act. And you did it anyway. This meeting violated state transparency laws and failed to follow proper procedures. Your behavior is an affront to the foundational institution of our democracy which is free and fair election and to your own roles in this process.

And when citizens attended meetings to voice their concerns you threatened to remove them and have now moved attendance to virtual only because of a "threat". This is yet another rights violation. The only threat is the Jeffares, King, and Johnston pose to our democracy. The citizens of Georgia and of the United States are deeply offended by your behavior and your continued presence on this board.

Georgia state law stipulates that if the chair of the election board will schedule meetings, that seven days' notice is required for regular board meetings, and that emergency meetings may only be held when a threat to "public health, safety, or welfare is imminent." Instead, you created an imminent threat to public health, safety, and welfare.

Georgia law also requires that proposed election rules and amendments are posted online for public comment for 30 days before they can be finalized.

Johnston appeared via virtual streaming, which is not allowed to be counted for the three-person majority needed for a quorum.

Georgia's Open Meetings Act says that only members who participate in-person can be counted as part of the quorum needed to conduct government business.

Republicans in Georgia have overhauled the state's election laws and made other procedural changes to the voting process following former President Donald Trump's narrow 2020 defeat to President Joe Biden. And at the rally Trump held here in Georgia, he specifically thanked by name his partisan political conspirators - Janice Johnston, Rick Jeffares, and Janelle King.

Simply put, the meeting was illegal. Your actions were and continue to be illegal. You have no choice but to consider the facts, acknowledge your mistake, and reject this petition. Refusing to do so would be further cause for investigations into each of you as to your motives.

Sincerely, Hudson Marr

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:42:22 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, lashawna alderman

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:41:23 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Dia Taylor and I am a registered super voter, in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Dia Taylor

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:41:21 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Lonnie Troutman and I a registered voter in Dooly county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Lonnie Troutman

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:40:19 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Ayada Ingram

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:38:41 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_Tammy \_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter,) in \_\_\_ Sumter county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Tammy Hamilton

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:37:52 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Ronald Thomas and I am a registered voter in DEKALB county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

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Sincerely, Ronald Thomas From:

To: SEB Public Comments; jfervier.seb@gmail.com; saraghazal.seb@gmail.com; jjohnstonmd.seb@gmail.com;

rjeffares.seb@gmail.com; jking.seb@gmail.com

Cc: <a href="mailto:voting@acluga.org">voting@acluga.org</a>

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:37:47 AM

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Dear Members of the Georgia State Election Board,

I am writing to urge you to **reject** the petition to revise Rule <u>183-1-12-.02</u> related to the role of County Boards in the certification process. The proposed rule is unreasonable and unnecessary, and frankly, ridiculous.

The proposed language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results." It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents. And it will slow the certification process, thus giving voters an unfounded reason to doubt the results.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely,

Diane Blanda Quammen

Cobb County registered voter

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:36:47 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Decalderone and I am a registered voter in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Decalderone Johnson

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:35:46 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Elise Orlando, and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Elise Orlando

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:34:57 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Kendra Huff and I am a registered voter in Lee County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Kendra Huff

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Jeri Luann Moran and I am a registered voter in Coweta County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Jeri Luann Moran

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Christine McPherson and I am a registered voter in Washington county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Christine McPherson

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:31:45 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Deborah Burnette and I am a registered voter, in Fulton county. I am also a retired naval officer who serves with pride to help protect the freedoms we hold so dear. One of the most important is the right to have our votes for the elected officials who will represent us count without administrative interference from a group of unelected individuals who appear to favor their own agenda over preserving the integrity of elections in our state. There is absolutely no reason to create a reconciliation process that our county officials must go through to certify election results before all votes are counted. Allowing a single election board member to scrutinize every document related to the election process, whether there is evidence of irregularity or not. is a needless delay and ultimately undermines the integrity of elections. It inserts unnecessary steps that GIVE a single board member the opportunity to hold up election results for weeks, making people wonder just how trustworthy the election results really are. If this really is a step that is integral to election results. Why did the board wait until less than 3 months before the election to raise it? Surely you had the opportunity to determine its value since the last national presidential election nearly 4 years ago.

This is why I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Thomas Johnson, and I am a registered voter Chatham County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Thomas Johnson

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:24:40 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is LaTonya Johnson and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter in Sumter County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Latonya Johnson

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:22:41 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Blanche W Johnson and I am a retired registered voter in Chatham county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Blanche Johnson From: To:

SEB Public Comments
Proposed Rule 183-1-12-12

 Subject:
 Proposed Rule 183-1-12-12

 Date:
 Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:22:00 AM

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Gentlemen and Ladies:

I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to approve it.

Georgia Code Section 2I-2-493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense.

This type of reconciliation ensures the bedrock principle of one person, one vote and helps guard against the certification of inaccurate results. Just like when balancing a checkbook, if the numbers do not match up, there has been some sort of error that needs to be identified and corrected before results are certified. The proposed rule would make it easy to identify and correct any such discrepancies.

Failure to ensure accurate election results leads to distrust in our election system. It is vital that we, the citizens of Georgia, are able to trust the results of our primaries and elections, and the process outlined in the proposed rule is a key to achieving that goal.

The State Election Board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that ensure county boards of elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections. To that end, I urge the Board to give final approval to Proposed Rule 183-1-12-12.

Sincerely,

William A Bugg, Jr.

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:21:27 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Charlene Pruitt and I am a registered voter in DeKalb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Charlene Pruitt

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:15:39 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Lakina Hall\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_Washington\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Lakina Hall

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:14:38 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Jasmine Tullis and I am a registered voter in Sumter county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Jasmine Tullis

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:13:53 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Terri and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Terri Harrington

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:12:15 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Terence Ward From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Cc: Kimberly King

Subject: Public Comment: Comment on Proposed Rules - Grubbs and Alexander

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:12:15 AM

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John Fervier, Chairman Sara Tindall Ghazal, Member Janice W. Johnston, Member Rick Jeffares, Member Janelle King, Member

Georgia State Election Board C/O Alexandra Hardin (SEBPublicComments@sos.ga.gov) 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, S.E. 8th Floor West Tower Suite 802 Atlanta. GA 30334

## Re: Comment on Proposed Rules - Grubbs and Alexander

Dear Chairman Fervier and State Election Board Members,

I am a registered Georgia voter. I am writing today to provide Public Comments for your August 19, 2024 meeting.

I am deeply concerned about proposed amendments to **Rule #183-1-12-.12** (**Revisions to Tabulating Results**). The <u>proposed rule</u> by Sharlene Alexander mandates that at the end of each voting day, ballot boxes must be unsealed and the ballots counted by three independent poll officers. They must agree on the total count, and any discrepancies should be investigated and documented promptly.

I encourage you to vote against this proposed rule adoption for these reasons:

<!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->Increased Workload for Poll Workers: The requirement to unseal and count ballots daily adds significant workload and complexity for poll workers, potentially leading to fatigue and errors. This added task could also divert poll workers' focus from their primary responsibilities and extend their working hours.

<!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->*Unnecessary Burden on Election Processes:* The proposed rule may introduce unnecessary steps into the election process, complicating what should be a straightforward procedure. Protocols for handling and securing ballots that balance security with efficiency are already established; this rule may not provide additional benefits proportional to its complexity.

<!--[if !supportLists]--> <!--[endif]--> **Risk of Ballot Tampering:** Frequent handling and unsealing of ballots may increase the risk of accidental or intentional tampering.

As a reminder, "Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), we request that the Board include this K.comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it "issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption."

In closing, thank you for your consideration of my recommendation to vote against this proposed rule change.

Regards/ Respectfully,

K. L. King

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To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:09:37 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Monyette Williams and I am a registered voter in Terrell county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Monyette Williams From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Cc: Kimberly King

Subject: Public Comment: Comment on Proposed Rules - Grubbs and Alexander

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:08:00 AM

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John Fervier, Chairman Sara Tindall Ghazal, Member Janice W. Johnston, Member Rick Jeffares, Member Janelle King, Member

Georgia State Election Board C/O Alexandra Hardin (SEBPublicComments@sos.ga.gov) 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, S.E. 8th Floor West Tower Suite 802 Atlanta, GA 30334

Re: Comment on Proposed Rules - Grubbs and Alexander

Dear Chairman Fervier and State Election Board Members,

I am a registered Georgia voter. I am writing today to provide Public Comments for your August 19, 2024 meeting.

I am deeply concerned about proposed changes to **Rule 183-1-12-.12 (Tabulating Results).** The <u>proposed rule</u> offered by Cobb County GOP Chair Salleigh Grubbs mandates that county boards must hold a meeting to complete the canvass before the end of the statutory period for ballot curing and provisional ballot verification. Additionally, county boards are prohibited from counting votes from any precinct where there is a discrepancy between the number of ballots cast and the number of unique voter IDs.

I encourage you to vote against this proposed rule adoption for these reasons:

<!--[if !supportLists]--> <!--[endif]--> *Potential for Election Sabotage:* The rule, as proposed, creates avenues for malicious actors to disrupt the election process under the guise of addressing discrepancies. It could be exploited to sow doubt and distrust in election outcomes.

<!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->*Impact on Voter Confidence:*Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections. By magnifying discrepancies and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

As a reminder, "Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), we request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it "issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption."

In closing, thank you for your consideration of my recommendation to vote against this proposed rule change.

Regards/ Respectfully,

K. L. King

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:07:06 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Jane Story and I am a registered voter in Gwinnett County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Jane Story

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:05:52 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Felicia Finch and I am a registered voter in Sumter county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Felicia Finch From:

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: Comments on (against) SEB Proposed Rule Revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a) (5)

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:03:07 AM

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My name is \_\_\_\_\_, and I am a Georgia voter.

I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force and so many others in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, however, I ask that you vote <u>against</u> proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12. (a)(5) relating to election certification by county election boards. You ask why?

I have worked in the polls (assistant manager) and also as a poll watcher during multiple election cycles. From that experience, I know that voting <u>against</u> these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that County election staff are not burdened with unlawful and unnecessary requests that could delay certification, and thus contribute to distrust in our elections administration and results.

Our counties, state and country deserve better.

Sincerely,

Pam Wuichet Registered Voter in Dekalb County

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:00:44 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Chekeidra Crimes and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter in Webster county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Chekeidra Crimes

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**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:00:40 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Courtney Stephens-George and I am a registered voter in Lee county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Courtney Stephens-George

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 9:59:50 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Rev. Andrea Corso Johnson and I am a registered & concerned voter and a lifelong Georgia resident living in Carroll county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

You don't get to move the goal line in the middle of the game when your team is down. A win, in any contest, but especially in an election, can only be earned when both teams play by just & fair rules. This proposed rule is unjust and undermines the crucial contest in our democracy that takes place in every election.

Please reject this rule, and instead, choose to uphold the justice and integrity of our democracy and our Georgia elections.

Sincerely,

Andrea Corso Johnson

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Angel Whitworth and I am a registered voter in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Janice Hall and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Janice Hall

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_Kathy Grant\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Registered Voter and Poll Worker in Forsyth county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Kathy Grant

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is \_\_Annie Odom \_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

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Sincerely, Annie Odom

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is \_\_Michelle\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Chatham county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Michellw Mincey-Gwyn From:
To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** State Election Board"s Proposed Rulemaking Revisions

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 9:51:02 AM

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The purpose of this email is to provide my input and opposition to the State Election Board Proposed New Rule Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results, <a href="notice\_of\_proposed\_rulemaking\_183\_1\_12\_12\_1\_v2.pdf">notice\_of\_proposed\_rulemaking\_183\_1\_12\_12\_1\_v2.pdf</a> (ga.gov). These amendments aim to provide extra and unnecessary checks outside the current system already in place. As proven by the 2020 national election, Georgia recounted the votes to my recollection 3 or more times, resulting in the same results or outcomes—a Biden presidency win for 2020. There is no reason for these additional steps and no legal basis, for instilling such rules. Our voting system and recent elections have not given the Board just cause or reason for such review and examination.

This proposed rule by the Georgia Election Board requires a hand count of ballots by the Board. This will hold up certification of Georgia election results. Hand counting ballots requires significant time and manpower, which can strain county resources. In addition, there is a greater potential for human error—manual processes are not immune to mistakes, and human error could introduce new inaccuracies. Furthermore, these new procedures, the additional step of hand counting and review of documentation of returns could delay certification of election results, causing uncertainty in our election system.

The Board claims a manual review and verification of electronic results could reduce the risk of errors or tampering. These new rules seem to increase the risk of tampering.

Therefore, I oppose these amendments for they will only prove to delay Georgia certification. The 2020 election recounts (3 or more times) proved that we already have an excellent and foolproof system that does not warrant an extra step of examination of documentation by the Board before certifying our elections.

If this rule is passed, I am sure there will not be significant or hardly any errors to result in a change in election results, as proved by our 2020 national election. I think taxpayers would not approve of such use of already scare resources. People who vote do so to exercise their rights in the hopes of a fair and honest election, and timely certification of results.

Sincerely, Jeanette Norman Decatur, GA

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Marcia Walker Williams and I am a registered voter, in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Marcia Williams

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_Damieon Robinson \_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Houston county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Damieon Robinson

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Antwishia Thomas, and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ Houston\_ county.

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Sincerely, Antwishia Thomas

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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Sincerely, Sharon Levett-Mills

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Dr. Pat Harris and I am a voter in Chatham county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process. These Boards represent the people and should behave as they do and not represent the will of some. The ongoing negative changes in our democratic processes should cease. We are a government of the people, by the people and for the people.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Dr. Christa Hollis and I am a registered voter in Lee county.

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Sincerely, Christa Hollis

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_Jacqueline Tomlin\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, in \_\_Chatham\_\_ county.

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Sincerely, Jacqueline Tomlin

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name isTonya \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Lee\_\_\_ county.

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Sincerely, Tonya Myrick

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Courtney Holmes and I am a registered voter in Effingham county. I do not feel this should be allowed especially when this is not the right, the objective, or the purpose. There are a myriad of other focal points for the board and this is not one.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Willie Lewis

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Terri Spiegel and I am a registered voter for in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Kathleen MORIARTY and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

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It's clear that supporters of these rule changes intend to use them to delay indefinitely certification of the votes if their preferred candidate does not win. You are not kidding anybody.

Sincerely, Kathleen Moriarty

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 9:28:29 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is SheilaMullins and I am a registered voter in Gwinnett county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Sheila Mullins

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Mary Woodson

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Darneisha Ivey From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Vote against proposed revision
Date: Sunday, August 18, 2024 9:24:13 AM

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Good morning. My name is Dawn M. Jones and I am a Georgia voter.

I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a)(5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

- Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that:
- County election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification.

We avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays, unnecessarily sowing distrust in election administration and results.

Sincerely,
\*Dawn M. Jones, MSN, Esq.
The Firm of Dawn M. Jones, LLC

\*Georgia Super Lawyer

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From:

To:

SEB Public Comment

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 9:23:56 AM

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## Dear Members of the Georgia State Election Board,

My name is Yasmin Taylor and I am a registered voter in Fulton County.

I am writing to urge you to **reject** the petition to revise Rule <u>183-1-12-.02</u> related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because

this rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely,

Yasmin Taylor

Sent from my iPhone

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 9:22:10 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Lisa Willis

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 9:14:53 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Brenda Jackson

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 9:14:01 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_Dora Sims\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, in Terrell\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Dora Sims

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Maureen Sweatman and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Maureen Sweatman

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Sincerely, Perri Renee Livsey

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Sincerely, Valisa Mitchell

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Shirley James. I am a registered voter, in Chatham County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because: As a voting citizen in the state of Georgia for more than 50 years who has followed the voting laws, regardless of the many restrictions imposed, participated as a peaceful poll watcher, observer over the verification of Absentee Ballots and voting count results at my county elections board, and observing no fraud, dishonesty or miscalculations by the election workers, but observing, with appreciation, their due diligence in performing their responsibilities to the letter of the law and process, I now question the honesty, integrity, common sense, independence, and critical thinking skills of some of you who are members of this Board. Your constant determination and possession to continue to change and add unnecessary rules and processes that will delay the election results in this up-coming election cause me to think that your goal and objectives are to commit legal fraud through these rule changes in order to control the outcome of election results that will be favorable to one presidential candidate, rather than trust the outcome of the will of the citizens through votes cast. Let the voting citizens speak and be heard. If you are concerned about voter integrity, then be role models and lead with honesty and integrity by following the laws of Georgia. Exercise your independence. Do not act or follow the dictations of one man, who is an election denier, to satisfy his whims and wishes, but act to honor and support the will of the citizens of our state by accepting the outcome of their votes without interference by legalizing a fraudulent vote certification process.

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Shirley James

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Kristi Jenkins and I am a registered voter in Washington county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Kristi Jenkins

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Felicia Madison and I am a registered voter in Dooly County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Felicia Madison From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: August 19th meeting

Date: Sunday, August 18, 2024 9:05:42 AM

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My name is Sonjui Kumar, and I am a Georgia voter and a member of the Georgia Bar.

I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a)(5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

- Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that:
- County election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification.

We also avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

We urge you to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays, unnecessarily sowing distrust in election administration and results.

Sonjui L. Kumar KPPB Law

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Earea Woodson and I am a registered voter, in Terrell county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely,

Dr. Clarietta Pam Fields

From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Reconciliation 183-1-12-.12
Supply: August 18, 2024 0::

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 9:03:27 AM

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To the Georgia State Board of Election,

I am in strong favor of Reconciliation 183-1-12-.12 as an accountable means for secure and transparent elections.

Sincerely, McKenzie Julian Georgia Registered Voter From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Reconciliation 183-1-12-.12

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To the Georgia State Board of Election,

I am in strong favor of Reconciliation

183-1-12-.12 as an accountable means for secure and transparent elections. Please support this bill.

Sincerely, Kathryn Julian

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 9:01:50 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Brittany Boden and I am a registered voter in Dekalb county.

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The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Brittany Boden

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 9:01:30 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Bobbie King and I am a registered voter, in Dooly county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Bobbie King 
 From:
 SEB Public Comments

 Subject:
 SEB 183-1-12-.12

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:58:25 AM

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Please support SEB 183-1-12-.12 It's a common sense bill that we need in Georgia.

Thanks, Donna and Mark Walker

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:55:59 AM

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Sincerely, Kimberly Griffin

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:55:31 AM

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Sincerely, Lillie Hobbs

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

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Sincerely, Almeda Drake

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:54:40 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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Sincerely, Sharon Evans

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:54:29 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Bobby West and I am a registered voter in Dooly County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Bobby West

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:51:19 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Melvilla West and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter) in Dooly County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Melvilla West

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:51:06 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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Sincerely, Shereca Harvey

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:50:20 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Andria David and I am a Regis voter in Chatham county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Andria David

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:48:12 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_Brenda D Kennedy\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_Chatham\_ county.

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Sincerely, Brenda Kennedy

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:47:32 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Keva Quimbley and I am a registered voter in Lee county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Keva Quimbley

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:42:55 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Amy Hoying and I am a registered voter in DeKalb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing UNNECESSARY reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does NOT lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Amy Hoying

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:42:25 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Sandi Bratton and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Sandi Bratton

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:42:25 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Teresa Holley and I am a resident Walker County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Teresa Holley

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:41:39 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_David Standiford\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Forsyth. county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, David Standiford From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** Public Comment Submittal for SEB consideration at August 19 Board Meeting

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:39:06 AM

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Dear Members of the State Election Board,

My name is Helene Dutcher and I am a registered voter in Tift County, Georgia. Please consider my comments below and vote no against the Grubbs and Alexander rule revisions 183-1-12.12 and 183-1-12.12 (a)(5) relating to elections by county election boards.

I consider the Grubbs and Alexander rule revisions proposal as unnecessary because it opens the door to risks undermining the previous, well-designed process that the SEB had approved for securing the vote:

- 1. The revisions place an additional layer of burden for poll workers after working a full day in a precinct ranging from 8-14 hours or more.
- 2. The revisions require three poll workers to unseal the ballots from the voting machines and then handle and view each one. Having worked all day, these workers could easily make errors if they become ill, disoriented from exhaustion, have an emergency and must be replaced by another available worker, must leave to use the restroom, and heaven forbid, what if one of them sees an opportunity to do fraud and damages or throws away a ballot? Are all precincts even capable of finding additional poll workers to accommodate these revisions?
- 3. The revisions further undermine voter confidence that their vote will be confidential and secure, thereby repressing their desire to go to the polls and vote.
- 4. The revisions will potentially sow chaos by further delaying the results of an election.
- 5. The revisions put additional burdens on precincts, causing them to redirect their time, energy and resources to planning for new changes that must be ready in less than three months for the November election.

Please work together in harmony with your elected Secretary of State to support all Georgia precincts in their preparations for elections by making sure that what already has been approved by the SEB is enacted fully and correctly and put a stop to making further changes so close to the November election.

Thank you for your consideration of my public comments.

Sincerely, Helene Dutcher, Ed.D. Retired Educator 72 years old Resident of Tift County From:

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: Georgia Board of Elections

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:38:20 AM

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My name is Robert Riley and I am a Georgia voter. I live in Athens, Georgia, vote in every election, and plan on being a poll worker on Election Day.

I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force, of which I have been a member since February 2024, in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I urge that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a)(5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

- Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that:
- County election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification.

We avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays, unnecessarily sowing distrust in election administration and results. As a retired foreign service officer who has observed elections overseas to monitor if they were free and fair, the rules would be in contravention of international elections standards. As a poll worker, this could make my job far more difficult, and even dangerous.

Thank you very much.

Best,

Robert Riley, Ambassador (ret.)

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:37:33 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Lori Kelly and I am a: registered voter in Gwinnett county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Lorainne Kelly

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:37:25 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Shanna Dawson and I am a choose the option that applies: registered voter in Cherokee county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Shanna Dawson

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:36:38 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is David Johnson and I am a registered voter in Cobb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, David Johnson

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:32:52 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is lakisha wilson\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Forsyth county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Lakisha Wilson

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:32:23 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Lainey Richardson and I am a registered voter in Gwinnett county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

The 2020 election was not stolen or rigged. These changes are all in an attempt to ensure that the policies and procedures that were already in place are now easier to change. President Biden won Georgia fair and square. Donald Trump lost. Instead of giving in to the whining of the man who lost, and lost in a state that has a Republican Governor and Republican Secretary of State, who still insist, correctly, that the election was not tampered with, just leave the current process in place.

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Lainey Richardson

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:30:52 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Letha Hermes and I am a registered voter in Cherokee county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Letha Hermes From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** Vote against proposed rule revision relating to election certification

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:29:09 AM

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My name is Rachel L Scott, and I am a Georgia voter.

I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12. (a)(5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that (a) county election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification, and (b) we avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays and will sow distrust in election administration and results.

Sincerely, Rachel L. Scott From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** Election Certification by County Election Boards

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:28:46 AM

**EXTERNAL EMAIL:** Do not click any links or open any attachments unless you trust the sender and know the content is safe.

My name is Kathleen Neyman, and I am a Georgia voter living in Cobb County.

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I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a) (5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that (a) county election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification, and (b) we avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays and will sow distrust in election administration and results.

Sincerely, Kathleen Neyman Smyrna, GA

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:28:25 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Kimberly Ajy

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:26:22 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Kathleen Neyman and I am a registered voter in Cobb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Kathleen neyman

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:20:59 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Carissa Gillett and I am a registered voter in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

We need this to stop. It is a reckless and blatant attempt to interfere with our election process in favor of a known corrupt candidate and party.

Sincerely, Carissa Gillett

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:19:25 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Emma Woodward and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Emma Woodward From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Reconciliation 183-1-12-.12

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:10:18 AM

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To the Georgia State Board of Election,

I am in strong favor of Reconciliation 183-1-12-.12 as an accountable means for secure and transparent elections.

Sincerely, Christopher Kent Julian Georgia Registered Voter

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:07:19 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Edward and I am a registered voter, in Gwinnett county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Edward Paul

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 8:04:35 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is John Allen and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, John Allen

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 7:59:01 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is and I am a registered voter in county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Velyna Johnson

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 7:52:00 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Trinity Mcpherson

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 7:49:19 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Jim and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

Over and over this issue has been investigated by the courts. Several recounts have found no evidence of voter fraud. Please stop maligning our Georgia voting process. It has proved safe and accurate many times over.

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Jim Myers

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 7:27:46 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Wayne KEITH

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 7:27:16 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Michelle Thorns and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Gwinnett County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Michelle Thorns

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 7:18:16 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is L. Ransom and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, in Chatham county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Eddie Ransom

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 7:10:16 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Amber Buchanan and I am a registered voter Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Amber Buchanan

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 6:45:16 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Sarah Locke and I am a registered voter in Dekalb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Sarah Locke From:
To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** Vote against proposed rule revisions relating to election certification

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 6:43:04 AM

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My name is Sheroun Gibbs and I am a registered voter, in Columbia county, GA.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rule making record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sheroun Gibbs Sent from my iPhone

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 6:40:49 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Sheroun Gibbs and I am a registered voter, in Columbia county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Sheroun Gibbs

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 6:27:04 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Carrie Dix, a registered voter in Fulton county, and I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

I believe the proposed rule is unreasonable because:

By introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted, the proposed rule significantly threatens a counties ability to certify election results. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results, and does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

While the proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results," it is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing a rule like this risks eroding public confidence in elections, and look especially suspicious by doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Carrie Dix

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 6:29:42 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Jennifer Smith and I am a registered voter in Dekalb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Jennifer Smith

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 5:41:11 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Sheree Bussey and I am a registered voter in Walton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Sheree Bussey

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 5:10:08 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Helen Nash

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 4:43:21 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Paula BarkleyFensom and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter in Floyd county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Paula Barkley Fensom

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 2:06:51 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Treza Brooms and I am a registered voter, Election Board Member in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Treza Brooms

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 2:02:39 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Kerrick Cooper From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** Election certification by county election boards

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 1:20:17 AM

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Hi, I'm Janet Cunningham and I am a Georgia voter.

We do not need to add revisions which increase difficulty, add possibilities for errors and delay certification. Let's not create distrust in our election process.

I agree with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Please vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a)(5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

Thank you,

Janet Cunningham Roswell, GA

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 12:33:48 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_jennifer Rosak \_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_dekalb \_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Jennifer Rosak

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 12:26:43 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Tracy Mosley and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Tracy Mosley

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 12:19:42 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_Carol Bell\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_Chatham\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Carolyn Bell

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Sunday, August 18, 2024 12:06:28 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Aleta Wyche and I am registered voter, in Gwinnett county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Aleta Wyche

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 11:50:25 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Janet Murray and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.pasdong rules like this makes Georgia ridiculous in the eyes of the nation snd creates a situation that will discourage businesses from coming or staying here.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely,
JANET MURRAY

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 11:43:27 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is nancy bishop and I am a: Registered voter,) in fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Nancy Bishop

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**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 11:35:28 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Ina Cooper and I am a registered voter in Laurens County, GA.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Ina Cooper

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Jessica Renee Cain

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Cynthia Royal and I am a registered voter in Marion county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Cynthia Royal

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

Subject: Urgent Opposition to Proposed Revision of Rule 183-1-12-12

Georgia Board of Elections,

My name is Andrew Niquette, and I am a registered voter in Chatham County. I am writing to express my strong opposition to the petition seeking to revise Rule 183-1-12-12, which pertains to the role of County boards in the election certification process.

The proposed changes are deeply concerning for several reasons:

- 1. Threat to Timely Certification of Election Results: The introduction of additional, unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted imposes a severe burden on counties. This added complexity will inevitably slow down the certification process, creating delays that could undermine public confidence in the election outcomes. Voters deserve a prompt and transparent certification process, and this rule threatens to erode that trust.
- 2. Misallocation of Responsibilities: The proposed rule grants individual board members the authority to scrutinize all election-related documentation prior to certification. This is not within the purview of individual members and disrupts the collective responsibility of the board. Allowing individual board members to demand and review various documents independently is not only impractical but could lead to inconsistent and potentially biased assessments.
- 3. Potential for Misinformation and Erosion of Public Confidence: Implementing such a rule so close to an election is particularly dangerous. By enabling board members to delay the certification process based on unverified concerns, this rule opens the door to widespread misinformation. Even in the most secure and well-conducted elections, this could lead to baseless accusations of fraud and manipulation, further eroding public trust in our democratic process.

Given these serious issues, I urge you to reject this petition outright. This rule does not enhance the integrity of our elections but instead risks undermining it by sowing doubt and confusion.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that this comment be included in the rulemaking record. Should the Board decide to adopt the proposed rule, I further request a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption, along with the rationale for overruling the concerns raised in this letter, as required by statute.

Thank you for your attention to this critical matter. We are all counting on you to preserve our democracy and our wish for fair and free elections.

Sincerely,

Andrew Niquette Registered Voter, Chatham County.

Sincerely, Andrew Niquette

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Amy and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

After 60+ lawsuits around the country over the past 4 years, there has been no proven mass voter fraud yet certain elements of our society continue to push these lies. These lies then create reactionary, unnecessary, and undemocratic policies such as those the Board is currently considering.

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Amy Larrimore From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Proposed Rule 183-1-12-12

Date: Saturday, August 17, 2024 11:12:32 PM

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I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to approve it

Georgia Code Section 2I-2-493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense.

This type of reconciliation ensures the bedrock principle of one person, one vote and helps guard against the certification of inaccurate results. Just like when balancing a checkbook, if the numbers do not match up, there has been some sort of error that needs to be identified and corrected before results are certified. The proposed rule would make it easy to identify and correct any such discrepancies.

Failure to ensure accurate election results leads to distrust in our election system. It is vital that we, the citizens of Georgia, are able to trust the results of our primaries and elections, and the process outlined in the proposed rule is a key to achieving that goal.

The State Election Board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that ensure county boards of elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections. To that end, I urge the Board to give final approval to Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12.

Richard Hammond Senior Reliability Engineer

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Mary Jane Hollister and I am a registered voter in Fayette county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Mary Jane Hollister

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 11:09:43 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Dylan Wood and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Chatham county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

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Sincerely, Dylan Wood

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Clemontine F. Washington I am a registered voter, in Liberty County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

I firmly believe that the proposed rule is unnecessary and unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Clemontine Washington

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 10:41:21 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Dhaval Patel, and I am a registered voter in hall county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Furthermore, several lawsuits were filed after the Georgia 2020 election to litigate election fraud, and all were dismissed or dropped. Despite, having no evidence of voter fraud, Trump's notorious "I just want to find 11,780 votes" phone call to Secretary of State Raffensperger in January 2021 has led to a Georgia grand jury indicting Trump and 18 other defendants in a criminal election racketeering case.

Furthermore, there is no evidence that the authority state election board has allows its members to undertake the current rule changes in the name of election integrity but, in fact, would have the opposite effect. The Georgia Secretary of State, Raffensperger, also notes that this is likely an illegal activity that the board is engaged in. Georgia Supreme Court has also noted that it is not within State Board's authority to "consider or determine any questions relative to the validity of the election held or of the votes received by the persons voted for". (see Tanner vs. Deen, Ga 1899)

Furthermore, Gabe Sterling, Chief operating officer of the Secretary of the State Office, warned in December 2020 that unless Trump and republicans, like the ones on Georgia state election board stop sowing distrust in elections, "someone is going to get hurt". On January 6, 2021, during the insurrection, 174 police officers got injured at the Capitol and 4 officers committed suicide within the next 7 months.

The opportunity the election board had was to sow trust in the Georgia election integrity. Georgia has ranked #1 for Election Integrity by the Heritage Foundation and tied for number one in Election Administration by the Bipartisan Policy Center. Instead, it has taken the opportunity to sow distrust and turned the state board into the commission of fraud.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Dhaval Patel From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** Georgia Voter: Vote against proposed rule revisions relating to election certification

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 10:38:10 PM

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My name is Melissa M. Tardy and I am a Georgia voter. I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a) (5) relating to election certification by county election boards. Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that (a) county election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification, and (b) we avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays and will sow distrust in election administration and results.

Melissa Tardy

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Kelly Hagood and I am a registered voter in Gwinnett county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Kelly Hagood 
 From:
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 Subject:
 Rule 183-1-12-.12

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Failure to ensure accurate election results leads to distrust in our election system. It is vital that we, the citizens of Georgia, are able to trust the results of our primaries and elections, and the process outlined in the proposed rule is a key to achieving that goal.

The State Election Board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that ensure county boards of elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections. To that end, I urge the Board to give final approval to Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12.

Sent from my iPad

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Nancy Chartier and I am a registered voter, in Bartow county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Nancy Chartier From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** Please vote AGAINST these rule revisions **Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 10:15:53 PM

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My name is Sheri Simon, and I am a Georgia voter. I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a) (5) relating to election certification by county election boards. Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that (a) county election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification, and (b) we avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays and will sow distrust in election administration and results.

Thank you.

From:
To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: Please vote against proposed rule changes related to election certification by county election boards

Date: Saturday, August 17, 2024 10:15:02 PM

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Dear Members of the Georgia Election Board,

My name is Margaret Blackmon. I have been a Georgia resident since 2007. I am a Georgia voter and the mother of two adult children, their spouses, and six grandchildren -- all of whom are residents of this fine state.

I urge you to vote against the proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12.12.(a)(5)related to election certification by county election boards.

It is important that you, our state board of elections, support the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

First, we need to avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts. Second, county election staffs around the state should not be burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification.

From what I can ascertain thus far, those recommending these proposed rules are only sowing distrust among voters in our election administration and the voting results here in our state.

Please vote against these proposed revisions. Thank you.

## Margaret

Margaret VanDeman Blackmon

"There is a place in America to take a stand. It is public education. It is the underpinning of our cultural and political system. It is the great common ground. Public education after all is the engine that moves us as a society toward a common destiny....It is in public education that the American Dream begins to take shape." Tom Brokaw

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Kim Dubois and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Chatham county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

The right to free and fair elections is one of the most basic of civil rights owed to the American people.

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Kim Dubois

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Lynn Ganim. I am a long-time registered voter in DeKalb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before

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The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created

during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results." It is not the role of board members to make individual requests and

scrutinize various documents. Their role is simply to certify the election results.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections very close to the election. Magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are. Surely spreading misinformation should not be a goal of this board.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I urge the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record. Also if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, I request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Lynn Ganim

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_melanie smith\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_clarke\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Melanie Smith

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 10:03:11 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Laura Powell and I am a registered voter in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Laura Powell

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is \_\_Jacquelyn Sanders\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter) in \_\_Washington\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Jacquelyn Sanders

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 9:58:11 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Erin Spivey and I am a registered in Cobb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Erin Spivey

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 9:56:22 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Marie Drury and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Marie Drury

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 9:49:07 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Susan Taylor and I am a registered voter in Hall county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Susan Taylor

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 9:42:36 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Roberta Walker and I am a registered voter, in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Roberta Walker From:

To:

SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** I Support Proposed Rule 183-1-12(a)(5) **Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 9:34:32 PM

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To the Georgia State Election Board:

I support proposed rule 183-1-12-.12(a)(5) Sharlene Alexander petition to do a **Hand Count of Total Ballots at each Precinct on Election Day** .

Please vote "yes" to this proposed rule!

Thank you!

## **Cathy Vaught**

It is the Lord God you must follow and Him you must revere. Deut. 13:4

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 9:31:07 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Charmaine Edge I am a registered voter in Sumter County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Charmaine Edge

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 9:25:21 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Kristen and I am a registered voter in Bartow county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Kristen Braid From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** Georgia Voter: Vote against proposed rule revisions relating to election certification

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 9:22:52 PM

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My name is Jessica R. Cain and I am a Georgia voter. I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a) (5) relating to election certification by county election boards. Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that (a) county election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification, and (b) we avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays and will sow distrust in election administration and results.

Jessica R. Cain

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 9:20:28 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Lisa Harrison and I am a registered voter in Gwinnett County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Lisa Harrison

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 9:20:26 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Rhonda Houston and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, in Chatham County

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Rhonda Houston

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 9:19:21 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Kelly Hernaez and I am a registered voter in Cobb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Kelly Hernaez From:

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: Final Approval Proposed Rule 183-1-12-12

Date: Saturday, August 17, 2024 9:19:02 PM

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I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to approve it.

Georgia Code Section 2I-2-493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense.

This type of reconciliation ensures the bedrock principle of one person, one vote and helps guard against the certification of inaccurate results. Just like when balancing a checkbook, if the numbers do not match up, there has been some sort of error that needs to be identified and corrected before results are certified. The proposed rule would make it easy to identify and correct any such discrepancies.

Failure to ensure accurate election results leads to distrust in our election system. It is vital that we, the citizens of Georgia, are able to trust the results of our primaries and elections, and the process outlined in the proposed rule is a key to achieving that goal.

The State Election Board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that ensure county boards of elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections. To that end, I urge the Board to give final approval to Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12

Anna Thompson Registered Voter Cobb County Precinct Officer

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 9:18:04 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Susan Dix Clymer, and I am a registered voter in Gwinnett. I am a regular attendee at our BORE meetings, and I have served on Voter Review Panels and Duplication Panels.

I am writing to urge you to vote NO on Rule 183-1-12-.12 related to County boards in the certification process, specifically the FRIDAY AFTER ELECTION, "3:00 RULE":

## I oppose this because it:

- - Is another rule that burdens already overburdened staff to gather often unnecessary documents.
- - Conflicts with GA law by giving discretion to individuals in certifying the election results.
- - Interferes with the state law in which voters have the right to cure ballots through the end of BUSINESS on Friday. Also UOCAVA ballots are still coming in.
- - Erodes public confidence in elections by implementing this so close to the election.

Thank you for your thoughtful, deep consideration.

Sincerely, Susan Clymer

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 9:17:04 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Steve Toggerson and I am a :registered voter who attends all of the Board of Elections meetings in Gwinnett County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process and does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results".

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

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Sincerely, Steve Toggerson

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 9:16:39 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Lindsay Higgins and I am a registered voter in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize results.

I am seriously concerned that the proposed rule will have negative effects on our elections. For one, it is much too late in the process to be changing the way elections are run, with only a little more than two months to go before a presidential election. Adding additional steps to certify election results will only provide additional time for wild rumors to fly and for people to lose faith in the voting process. I have never had any doubt about the security of the voting process in Georgia and I believe the proposed rule is completely unnecessary.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Lindsay Higgins

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 9:14:06 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Gwendalian McClain Digby and I am a registered voter, in Chatham county.

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Sincerely, Gwendalina McClain-Digby

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_Raymond\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_Dekalb \_\_county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Raymond O'Barr

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 9:03:04 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Toni Booth-Comer and I am a registered voter.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12, related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Toni Booth-Comer

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 9:08:57 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Vanessa Page\_\_\_\_ and I am a registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Henry county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Vanessa Page

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 9:00:15 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Stacey Hader Epstein, and I am a long-time registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Stacey Hader Epstein

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 8:57:17 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Kristen McCall and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Kristen McCall

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 8:50:11 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Nora and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, in Cobb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Nora Haskins From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Proposed Rule Revisions

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 8:47:51 PM

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Dear Members of the State Election Board:

My name is Deborah Sudbury and I have been a licensed attorney for over 40 years, the last 35 of which have been here in Georgia. I am also a longtime Georgia resident and voter.

I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12. (a)(5) relating to election certification by county election boards for the following reasons:

- Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that county election staff are not burdened with requests, many of which may be unlawful, that could delay certification.
- Manual counts are unnecessary and are not in keeping with the tremendous technological advances in all facets of our daily life. Multiple studies have shown the accuracy of the electronic counts. Moreover, manual counts introduce the likelihood of human error especially when these counts would need to be performed under serious time constraints. Manual counts should be reserved for the very rare circumstance where there is some legitimate question as to the accuracy of the electronic counts. In addition, manual counts risk chain of custody concerns. And as we all know, chain of custody becomes critically important if there is an election challenge presented in the courts.
- The recent actions of the State Election Board, in attempting to alter election rules so close to a national election and in a manner which is not transparent, have contributed to a lack of voter confidence in the fairness and outcomes of our elections. I ask that you consider whether your actions are increasing election transparency and voter confidence.

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Respectfully,

Deborah A Sudbury



To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 8:47:13 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Johanna Teschner and I am a registered voter in Sumter county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, JOHANNA TESCHNER

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 8:19:23 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Janice Nall

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 8:13:53 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Birgitte Peterson and I am a registered voter, in Cherokee county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Birgitte Peterson

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 8:11:14 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Kysa Daniels and I am a registered voter in Rockdale County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

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Sincerely, Kysa Daniels

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 8:04:51 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Liana and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Liana Eden From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Election Certification

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 8:01:49 PM

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My name is Beverly Lowry, and I am a Georgia voter.

I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a)(5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that (a) county election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification, and (b) we avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays and will sow distrust in election administration and results.

Beverly Lowry

Sent from my iPhone

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 7:57:45 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is John Swingle and I am a registered voter in Wayne County.

I am writing to urge you to leave Rule 183-1-2-12-.12 alone. It is not necessary to change this rule unless you want to develop a method to make sure the real loser of the election can cheat his way to the winners box.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, John Swingle

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 7:50:39 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_Marsha Tiffany Finch\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_Houston\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Marsha Finch

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 7:44:05 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Shenequa Mitchell, and I am a registered voter in Dekalb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Shenequa Mitchell

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 7:38:35 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Sabrina Mueller and I am a registered voter in Columbia county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Sabrina Mueller

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 7:32:38 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is John and I am a registered voter in Chatham county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, John Eden

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 7:29:05 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is PAMELA HOLMES and I AM A registered voter in Gwinnett county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Pamela Holmes

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 7:22:42 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Nora Colmenares and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Nora Colmenares

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 7:22:08 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is John F Eden and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter in Wayne county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, John Eden

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 7:21:54 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Heather Cates and I am a registered voter in Forsyth county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Heather Cates From: To:

SEB Public Comments

Subject: Date: 183-1-12.12, 183-1-12-12.(a)(5) Saturday, August 17, 2024 7:14:05 PM

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My name is Lindsey Bustamante, and I am a Georgia voter.

I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a)(5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that (a) county election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification, and (b) we avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays and will sow distrust in election administration and results.

Thanks.

Lindsey Bustamante

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 7:03:10 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Deirdre Heagerty and I am a registered voter in Forsyth County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Deirdre Heagerty

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 6:56:08 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Richard Zimdars and I am a registered voter in Clarke county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

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Sincerely, Richard Zimdars

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 6:54:27 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

I am a registered voter and voting rights advocate in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. Voters want accessible and fair elections that are not mired in politically motivated bureaucratic machinations.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

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Sincerely, Dana Lloyd 
 From:
 SEB Public Comments

 To:
 SEB Public Comments

 Subject:
 Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12

 Date:
 Saturday, August 17, 2024 6:51:29 PM

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I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to approve it.

Georgia Code Section 2I-2-493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense.

This type of reconciliation ensures the bedrock principle of one person, one vote and helps guard against the certification of inaccurate results. Just like when balancing a checkbook, if the numbers do not match up, there has been some sort of error that needs to be identified and corrected before results are certified. The proposed rule would make it easy to identify and correct any such discrepancies.

Failure to ensure accurate election results leads to distrust in our election system. It is vital that we, the citizens of Georgia, are able to trust the results of our primaries and elections, and the process outlined in the proposed rule is a key to achieving that goal.

The State Election Board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that ensure county boards of elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections. To that end, I urge the Board to give final approval to Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12.

Ligia Goncalves

Sent from my iPad

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 6:47:00 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Jamie Blankenship and I am a registered voter, in Carroll county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Jamie Blankenship

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 6:45:06 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Kizzy Clayton and I am a registered voter in Sumter County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Kizzy Clayton From:

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: State Election Board proposed rule change Date: Saturday, August 17, 2024 6:45:00 PM

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My name is Susan M Brown, and I am a Georgia voter.

I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a)(5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that (a) county election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification, and (b) we avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays and will sow distrust in election administration and results.

Susan M Brown Roswell, GA

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 6:37:37 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Liz and I am a registered voter in Bartow county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

There are few rights as sacred in America as the right to vote and have your voice heard through the voting process. We do not need a law to hinder this process. To enact a law that makes citizens' voices less likely to be heard is unAmerican.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, K Gilson

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 6:36:55 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Daniel Sobczak and I am a registered voter in DeKalb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Daniel Sobczak

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 6:34:40 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Andy Van Epps and I am a registered voter in Chatham county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Andy Van Epps From:
To: SEB Public Comment

Subject: New rules

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 6:29:32 PM

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My name is Steven Gottlieb, and I am a Georgia voter.

I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a)(5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

- *Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that:*
- County election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification.

We avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays, unnecessarily sowing distrust in election administration and results.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 6:29:07 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Tammye Pettyjohn Jones and I am a registered voter in Sumter County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Tammye Pettyjohn-Jones

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 6:27:36 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Pete Pomarico and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Cobb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Pete Pomarico

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Charisse Davis and I am a registered voter in Cobb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

As members of the Georgia State Election Board, you are tasked with protecting Georgians' right to vote, no matter how we vote or whom we vote for. Right now, your decisions will only create a chaotic election process that will: erode any trust Georgian voters have for our leaders, place unnecessary burdens on our elections staff, and make Georgia a spectacle. Please do not pass this very unnecessary ruling.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Charisse Davis

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Jennifer Harrison and I am a registered voter in Douglas County, GA.

I am writing to strongly urge you to REJECT the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Jennifer Harrison

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 6:25:29 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Sheila Daniel\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because: After multiple lawsuits brought on by former President Trump after the 2020 Presidential election it was verified that there was no voter fraud committed. To delay the certification of votes would be harmful to all Georgians and to the nation. To stall or deny certification of votes at the behest of former President Trump is just wrong. Our democracy deserves better from you. You were appointed to be impartial and I respectfully request that you do so. Thank you.

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Sheila Daniel

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Steven Lize. I am a registered voter in Clarke county.

I am writing to urge you to REJECT the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is a "solution" in search of a "problem." The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Steven Lize

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 6:24:08 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Karen and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Karen Parker From:
To:
Subject:
Seb Public Comments
Proposed rule revisions

Date: Saturday, August 17, 2024 6:22:58 PM

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My name is Jennifer Harrison, and I am a Georgia voter.

I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote AGAINST proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12. (a)(5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that (a) county election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification, and (b) we avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays and will sow distrust in election administration and results.

Thanks, Jennifer Harrison Douglasville, GA

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, William Irvin

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is William Adams and I am a registered voter in Gwinnett county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Please respect our voter rights and integrity. Stop promoting rules based on the Big Lie that Georgia elections are flawed and fraudulent.

Sincerely, William Adams

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 6:10:48 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Reed and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Reed Fazenbaker From:

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: VOTE NO SEB Rule 183-1-12-.12(a)(5)- Hand count

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 6:07:00 PM

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Dear State Election Board Members:

I am a registered voter in DeKalb County and I urge you to **VOTE NO on SEB Rule 183-1-12-.12(a)(5)-3 poll workers are required to hand count ballots**. I oppose this rule because it:

- Negatively impacts voter confidence in the election
- Undermines existing safety and security requirements
- Creates the possibility of human error
- Places an unreasonable burden on poll workers

For these reasons, please VOTE NO!

Thank you for your consideration, Valerie Manson

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 6:06:05 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Ann Mauney, a registered voter in DeKalb County and a regular voter for over 50 years.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule does not make our system more democratic.

It slows down the certification process, making voters less trustful of our procedures.

It amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Ann Mauney

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 6:04:53 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Jennifer Irvin and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Jennifer Irvin From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** Comments RE: State Election Board Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12.

**Tabulating Results** 

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 6:02:31 PM

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To all interested parties and persons for Public Comment RE subject Proposed Rulemaking Revisions:

The purpose of this email is to provide my input and opposition to the State Election Board Proposed New Rule Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results,

notice of proposed rulemaking 183 1 12 12 1 v2.pdf (ga.gov). These amendments aim to provide extra and unnecessary checks outside the current system already in place. As proven by the 2020 national election, Georgia recounted the votes to my recollection 3 or more times, resulting in the same results or outcomes—a Biden presidency win for 2020. There is no reason for these additional steps and no legal basis, for instilling such rules. Our voting system and recent elections have not given the Board just cause or reason for such review and examination.

This proposed rule by the Georgia Election Board requires a hand count of ballots by the Board. This will hold up certification of Georgia election results.

Hand counting ballots requires significant time and manpower, which can strain county resources. In addition, there is a greater potential for human error—manual processes are not immune to mistakes, and human error could introduce new inaccuracies. Furthermore, these new procedures, the additional step of hand counting and review of documentation of returns could delay certification of election results, causing uncertainty in our election system.

The Board claims a manual review and verification of electronic results could reduce the risk of errors or tampering. These new rules seem to increase the risk of tampering. I have worked the polls. I have observed the poll workers doing due diligence in making sure all ballots and votes are counted accurately. The Poll Managers work extremely hard to reconcile the reporting for their precincts before turning in their results; they count, recount, and recount again before reporting results. I have observed this, myself.

Therefore, I oppose these amendments for they will only prove to delay Georgia certification. The 2020 election recounts (3 or more times) proved that we already have an excellent and foolproof system that does not warrant an extra step of examination of documentation by the Board before certifying our elections.

If this rule is passed, I am sure there will not be significant or hardly any errors to result in a change in election results, as proved by our 2020 national election. I think taxpayers would not approve of such use of already scare resources. People who vote do so to exercise their rights in the hopes of a fair and honest election, and timely certification of results.

Sincerely, Margaret From:

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: Request to Respect Voter Rights and Integrity

Date: Saturday, August 17, 2024 6:00:01 PM

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My name is William Adams and I am a Georgia voter.

I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a) (5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that (a) county election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification, and (b) we avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays and will sow distrust in election administration and results.

Sincerely, William Adams Gwinnett County

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:58:02 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is LaTondra Sherrell Edmond and I am a registered & active voter in Laurens County, GA.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, LaTondra Sherrell Edmond From:

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: Public comment to SEB

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:50:21 PM

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My name is MaryAnn Kielb and I am a Georgia voter.

I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a)(5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that (a) county election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification, and (b) we avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays and will sow distrust in election administration and results.

Sincerely, MaryAnn Kielb Gwinnett County

Sent from my iPhone

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:45:47 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Jonathan Harwell, and I am a registered voter in Baldwin County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, I request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Jonathan Harwell

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:44:49 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Cynthia Louft and I am a registered voter, in dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Cynthia Louft From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Georgia elections

Date: Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:43:48 PM

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My name is Ann Chirhart, and I am a Georgia voter.

I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote **against** proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a) (5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that (a) county election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification, and (b) we avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays and will sow distrust in election administration and results.

From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Public comment to SEB

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:42:41 PM

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Sincerely, MaryAnn Kielb Gwinnett County

Sent from my iPhone

From:

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: Public comment to SEB

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**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:38:31 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Katherine and I am a registered in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Katherine White

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:33:53 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is MaryAnn Kielb and I am a registered voter, in Gwinnett county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, MaryAnn Kielb From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** VOTE NO Proposed Rule Revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a)(5)

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:33:24 PM

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To the State Election Board of Georgia,

My name is Cynthia Goeltz DeBold and I am a Georgia voter. I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you <u>vote against</u> proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a)

- (5) relating to election certification by county election boards. Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that:
- (a) county election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification, and
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Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting **against** these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays and will sow distrust in election administration and results.

Cynthia Goeltz DeBold

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:31:43 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Elizabeth Bryner and I am a registered voter, in Gwinnet county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Elizabeth Bryner

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Mechel McKinley-Hoffman\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Cobb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Mechel McKinley-Hoffman From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** AGAINST proposed election rule revisions **Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:31:12 PM

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My name is Keith Borow and I am a registered Georgia voter. I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote AGAINST proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a)(5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

If you could design rules to cause more partisan chaos in an election, these rules would be the ones! If passed, these revisions will burden county election staff with unlawful requests that could delay certification and (b) introduce new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays and will sow distrust in election administration and results.

Keith Borow Connexion Media

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:29:35 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Bobbie Lowther and I am a registered voter in Laurens County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Bobbie Lowther From:
To:
SEB Public Comments
Subject:
Election Certification Changes
Date:
Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:28:00 PM

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Hello,

My name is Jakklynn Tucker and I live and vote in Cobb County.

I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

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Thank you,

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:27:32 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is John Kay and I am a registered voter in Gwinnett county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, John Kay From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: PROTECT OUR RIGHTS

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:25:48 PM

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My name is Andrea Barreras, and I am a Georgia voter.

I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a) (5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that (a) county election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification, and (b) we avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays and will sow distrust in election administration and results.

--

Andrea S. Barreras

Excuse any typos! Sent from mobile

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:27:03 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Bobbie Keenan and I am a registered voter, in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Stop fucking with our votes, you authoritarian loving Nazis!!!

Sincerely, Bobbie Keenan From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Election Certification

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:23:49 PM

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My name is Aida Arias, and I am a Georgia voter.

I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a) (5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that (a) county election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification, and (b) we avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays and will sow distrust in election administration and results.

Aida Arias

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:23:43 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Nancy Patterson and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Nancy Patterson

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:23:30 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Saketha Adams and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Laurens county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Saketha Adams

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:23:24 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Starlet Taylor and I am a registered voter in Johnson county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Starlet Taylor

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:22:23 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Danielle Moore From:
To:
SEB Public Comments

Subject: Support for Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12

Date: Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:22:09 PM

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I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to approve it.

Georgia Code Section 2I-2-493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense.

This type of reconciliation ensures the bedrock principle of one person, one vote and helps guard against the certification of inaccurate results. Just like when balancing a checkbook, if the numbers do not match up, there has been some sort of error that needs to be identified and corrected before results are certified. The proposed rule would make it easy to identify and correct any such discrepancies.

Failure to ensure accurate election results leads to distrust in our election system. It is vital that we, the citizens of Georgia, are able to trust the results of our primaries and elections, and the process outlined in the proposed rule is a key to achieving that goal.

The State Election Board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that ensure county boards of elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections. To that end, I urge the Board to give final approval to Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12.

Thank you,

Linda Hayes

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:21:40 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Natacha Billups and I am a registered voter in Laurens county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Natacha Billups

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:19:35 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Cora Pooler and I am a registered voter in Laurens County

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the

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Sincerely, Cora Pooler

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:11:30 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Elizabeth Hudetz and I am a voter in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Elizabeth Hudetz

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Christine Sweeney

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:10:33 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Katina Coneway and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Washington County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Katina Coneway From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:10:29 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Keisha Shaw and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Keisha Shaw From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:08:20 PM

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Hello,

My name is Fawn Belthem, and I am a Georgia voter. I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a) (5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that (a) county election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification, and (b) we avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays and will sow distrust in election administration and results.

Respectfully, Fawn Belthem

From: To:

SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:07:55 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Felicia Lewis and I am a registered voter in Cherokee county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Felicia Lewis From:

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: Comments to Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12

Date: Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:07:33 PM

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TO: THE STATE ELECTION BOARD

COMMENTS TO PROPOSED RULE 183-1-12-.12

It appears that we now have two legislatures in Georgia.

First, there's the General Assembly, with 235 Senators and Representatives who are elected by the voters. Our Constitution entrusts them with the exclusive authority to enact, amend, and repeal our State's laws.

But now we have a second legislature which consists of three unelected GOP members of the State Election Board, whom Donald Trump has affectionately nicknamed "pit bulls." They are usurping the authority of the real General Assembly by enacting rules which effectively reverse a long-standing law governing election certification.

Make no mistake - these SEB rules are not just minor amendments around the edges of the law. They constitute a complete reversal of the General Assembly's decision that certification is mandatory. It's as if the SEB has repealed the law and enacted their own replacement.

Of course, it just doesn't matter if one or more members on the SEB thinks that they would do things differently. The General Assembly has acted in an unambiguous manner, and the SEB can't reverse that with their disingenuous so-called "definition." The word "shall" does not require a definition.

If Vice President Harris defeats Donald Trump, GOP election board members will, for the first time, have an easier way to create chaos and delay after election day, giving Trump a better chance to overturn the will of the voters.

I wonder whether the three SEB proponents realize one of the unintended consequences of their action. For the first time, GOP county board members will likely be subject to harassment and intimidation from MAGA election deniers during the certification process. In the past, under the law, the county boards have been shielded by the fact that certification is mandatory. Over the course of many years, there have been thousands of unanimous board certifications, and yet I've seen no evidence that board members have been sued because they allegedly failed to review documentation.

I urge the SEB to repeal their August 6 decision on certification and deny the current certification proposal.

Respectfully Submitted,

Don Hackney

From: To:

SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:05:19 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Tina Berry-Guyton and I am a registered voter) in Laurens county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Tina Berry-Guyton From:

To: SEB Public Comments; jfervier.seb@gmail.com; saraghazal.seb@gmail.com; jjohnstonmd.seb@gmail.com;

rjeffares.seb@gmail.com; jking.seb@gmail.com

Cc: <a href="mailto:voting@acluga.org">voting@acluga.org</a>

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:05:11 PM

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Dear Members of the Georgia State Election Board,

My name is Claudette Sukenick and I am a registered voter and Election Day Poll Manager in Cobb County, Georgia.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because it is a change in procedure that will slow down the certification process less than three months from a major presidential election. The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results." Each county election office has processes in place to meticulously go through all election day evidence after it is returned. It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents. Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

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Sincerely,

Claudette Sukenick

From: To:

SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:02:16 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Ione Foster From:

**SEB Public Comments** 

To:

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:59:44 PM Date:

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Alice R Wooten-Perry and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Montgomery county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Alice Renee Wooten-Perry From: To:

SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:58:17 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Kathy Harris and I am an Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Greene county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Kathy Harris From:

**SEB Public Comments** 

To:

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:51:29 PM Date:

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Mary Smith and I am a registered voter in Hall county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Mary Smith From:

**SEB Public Comments** 

To: Subject:

SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:47:07 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Courtney McDaniel and I am a registered voter in Lamar County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Courtney McDaniel

SEB Public Comments

Subject:

State Election Board Meeting

Date:

Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:49:19 PM

**EXTERNAL EMAIL:** Do not click any links or open any attachments unless you trust the sender and know the content is safe.

My name is Molly Sandman, and I am a Georgia voter.

I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a) (5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that (a) county election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification, and (b) we avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays and will sow distrust in election administration and results.

Molly Sandman

From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** Vote against 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12 **Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:45:18 PM

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Hello.

My name is Deon Hauser, and I am a Georgia voter. I vote and it is important to allow this basic right of American freedom for all.

I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a)(5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that (a) county election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification, and (b) we avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays and will sow distrust in election administration and results.

Please, do the right thing for Georgians who should have the rights of all American citizens. And of course, I support only legal voters. But you need to give legal voters the rights they deserve.

Deon Hauser

Sent from my iPhone

From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: SEB Meeting 8/18

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:45:10 PM

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My name is Tara Lee, and I am a Georgia voter.

I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a) (5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that (a) county election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification, and (b) we avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays and will sow distrust in election administration and results.

Thank you, Tara From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Election Administration

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:44:09 PM

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My name is Patricia Hall Borow, and I am a Georgia voter.

I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a) (5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that (a) county election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification, and (b) we avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays and will sow distrust in election administration and results.

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:43:31 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Tammy Howard and I am a registered voter, Laurens county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Tammy Howard From:
To: SEB Public Comments

Cc: marytjam@bellsouth.net; Bob James
Subject: Election changes and rule making process
Date: Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:42:18 PM

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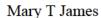
My name is Mary T James, and I am a Georgia voter.

I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a) (5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that (a) county election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification, and (b) we avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays and will sow distrust in election administration and results.



SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:42:14 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Amy and I am a registered voter in Hall County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Amy Kirk From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** Please vote against rule revisions **Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:39:29 PM

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My name is Kelly Landis, and I am a Georgia voter.

I am writing because I stand firmly with the Georgia Democracy Task Force in support of the rule of law in election administration and in the rule-making process.

Today, I ask that you vote against proposed rule revisions 183-1-12-.12 and 183-1-12-.12.(a) (5) relating to election certification by county election boards.

Voting against these revisions will safeguard our election processes by ensuring that (a) county election staff are not burdened with unlawful requests that could delay certification, and (b) we avoid introducing new errors through manual recounts under serious time constraints.

Please join us in the effort to safeguard Georgia's elections by voting against these proposed revisions. If they are passed, these rules will likely lead to unjustified certification delays and will sow distrust in election administration and results.

Thank you, Kelly Landis

Sent from my T-Mobile 5G Device Get Outlook for Android

SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:38:55 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Louise Norrell and I am a long time election worker in Clarke county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

This proposed rule is vague and could delay the certification of votes. It makes it sound like the board members can 'interpret the results'. This would undermine the public's trust in the election process.

Sincerely, Louise Norrell

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:37:58 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Angela Mabry and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because our rights and privacy should be protected.

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Angela Mabry

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:37:54 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

Do you even read these?

If so, you have seen the form letter with the legal stuff. Why do you have to make voting so difficult? Everyone knows, well, every sane person knows that the votes were counted multiple times and the last presidential election was fair.

Other states have such simple and easy to follow laws and regulations. I don't know why Georgia wants to complicate things by adding more regulations.

If people have an ID and they show up to vote, they should be able to register and vote.

It really is not that difficult, but there are certain people who lost an election and are very sad and angry and that's not my fault. Don't blame the people of Georgia for the previous loosers' agenda.

Sincerely,

Deon Hauser

SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:33:53 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Diane Loupe and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county. I am hoping that members of the election board want to represent all voters, not just Republicans. Adding unnecessary steps to delay the election will not help voters.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Diane Loupe

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:33:37 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Lisa Kotora and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Lisa Kotora

**SEB Public Comments** 

To:

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:32:51 PM Date:

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in county.

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Sincerely,

**Tandy Thomaston** 

**SEB Public Comments** 

To:

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:31:45 PM Date:

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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Sincerely, Benjamin Hill

SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:32:23 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Tanya Hunter and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This DOES NOT lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It IS NOT the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Tanya Hunter

To:

SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:28:19 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Kenneth Abramczyk

SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:24:50 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Amanda Lawson and I am a registered voter in Dekalb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Amanda Lawson

SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:14:29 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Rosemary and I am a long-time registered voter in Dekalb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely,

Rosemary Newcott Marquardt

SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:11:08 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

Hello,

My name is Lisa Russell and I am registered voter in Cherokee County for nearly 20 years.

I am very concerned and I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Lisa Russell

SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:08:43 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Shirley Lee and I am a registered voter in Dekalb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Shirley E Lee

**SEB Public Comments** 

To: Subject:

SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:01:08 PM Date:

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Gmerice Lamb, and I am a Fulton County registered voter.

I urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This proposal threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. The proposal will unnecessarily slow the certification process. There is no apparent reason to support implementation of the proposed revision.

The timing of this request for revision calls the need for the revision into question.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. Magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, encourages misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure the elections are.

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Sincerely, **Gmerice Lamb** 

**SEB Public Comments** 

To:

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:00:02 PM Date:

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Sharon Brewer

SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 3:33:29 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Janis Shaffer and I am a registered voter in Pike County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Janis Shaffer

SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 3:32:14 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Erica Eby

SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 3:19:01 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Catrecia Bryan and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Catrecia Bryan From:
To:
SEB Public Comments
Subject:
Proposed Rule 183-1-12-12
Date:
Saturday, August 17, 2024 3:18:16 PM

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I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to approve it.

Georgia Code Section 2I-2-493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense.

This type of reconciliation ensures the bedrock principle of one person, one vote and helps guard against the certification of inaccurate results. Just like when balancing a checkbook, if the numbers do not match up, there has been some sort of error that needs to be identified and corrected before results are certified. The proposed rule would make it easy to identify and correct any such discrepancies.

Failure to ensure accurate election results leads to distrust in our election system. It is vital that we, the citizens of Georgia, are able to trust the results of our primaries and elections, and the process outlined in the proposed rule is a key to achieving that goal.

The State Election Board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that ensure county boards of elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections. To that end, I urge the Board to give final approval to Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12.

Sent from my iPhone

SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 3:17:03 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Randall Young and I am a registered voter in Oconee county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Randall Young

SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 3:13:11 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Venita Freeman and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Venita Freeman

**SEB Public Comments** 

To:

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

Saturday, August 17, 2024 3:07:45 PM Date:

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Kristin Thomas and I am a registered voter in Fulton County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Kristin Thomas

**SEB Public Comments** 

To:

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Saturday, August 17, 2024 3:04:11 PM Date:

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Terrell and I am a registered voter in Gwinnett county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Terrell Maltos

SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 3:03:42 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Shannon Browning and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Shannon Browning

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 3:01:11 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Anthony Straka and I am a registered voter in Douglas county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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These changes are for the sole purpose of allowing Republican election workers to illegally subvert the will of Georgia voters and elect Donald Trump. Our democracy is not a bargaining chip for Rick Jeffares to get a job in the Trump administration. Our democracy is not fuel for Janelle King's conservative propaganda apparatus. Our democracy is not an all access pass for Janice Johnston to get close to Trump like she did at his rally last week where he called her out along with Jeffares and King. We will not let you, Cleta Mitchell and other enemies of democracy try to take away our right to vote for our elected leaders again. The world is watching YOU and you will lose.

Sincerely, Anthony Straka

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 2:56:07 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is James B. Cronon and I am a registered voter in Oglethorpe County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, James Cronon From:

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject:Support for Petitions to the Georgia SECDate:Saturday, August 17, 2024 2:53:47 PM

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I Support the following Petitions to the State Election Board: 183-1-12-.12(a)(5) by Sharlene Alexander to Hand Count Ballots, 183-1-12-.12... by Salleigh Grubbs about rights to examine records, and 183-1-12-.12(e) by Gail Lee to Reconcile Total Ballots to Total Voters.

Thank You, Joseph Smith, Peachtree City, GA.

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 2:43:05 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_Amy\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_Gwinnett county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Amy Haney

To:

**SEB Public Comments** 

Subject:

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 2:42:12 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_Mark Fowler \_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter in \_Fulton\_\_\_county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Mark Fowler

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 2:34:05 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Robbie Williams and I am a registered voter in Columbia county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Robbie Williams

SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 2:32:46 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Angie Richards and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Angie Richards

**SEB Public Comments** 

To:

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

Saturday, August 17, 2024 2:29:02 PM Date:

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in county.

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Sincerely, Rita Raftery

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 2:24:46 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Kristen Denius and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Kristen Denius

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 2:20:37 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_Diane\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_Dade\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Diane Reuter

**SEB Public Comments** 

To:

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

Saturday, August 17, 2024 2:19:59 PM Date:

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Diane Sparkes, and I am a registered voter in Cherokee county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Diane Sparkes

SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 2:10:06 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Barbara Markusson and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Barbara Markusson

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 1:55:22 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Susan Hauser

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 1:49:33 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Melina Baetti and I am a registered voter in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Thank you for your attention to this incredibly important matter-

Sincerely, Melina Baetti

**SEB Public Comments** 

To:

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

Saturday, August 17, 2024 1:43:28 PM Date:

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Sincerely, Michelle Brisco Fields From:
To:
SEB Public Comments
Subject:
Reconciliation 183-1-12-.12

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 1:40:59 PM

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With the upcoming 2024 election, I look forward to our state of Georgia being able to hold it head high and not be embarrassed over election integrity questions.

I want to be proud of my state!

Compiling a complete list of unique voters to be quantified "before computing the votes cast in any precinct" is already required in the law. This rule just establishes the process to follow. For goodness sakes let's do it Right!!!

Thank you

Karen Griffith

Evans, Ga

From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** Public Comment/Proposed Rulemaking Revisions

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 1:36:21 PM

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To all interested parties and persons for Public Comment RE subject Proposed Rulemaking Revisions:

The purpose of this email is to provide my input and opposition to the State Election Board Proposed New Rule Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results,

notice\_of\_proposed\_rulemaking\_183\_1\_12\_12\_1\_v2.pdf (ga.gov). These amendments aim to provide extra and unnecessary checks outside the current system already in place. As proven by the 2020 national election, Georgia recounted the votes to my recollection 3 or more times, resulting in the same results or outcomes—a Biden presidency win for 2020. There is no reason for these additional steps and no legal basis, for instilling such rules. Our voting system and recent elections have not given the Board just cause or reason for such review and examination.

This proposed rule by the Georgia Election Board requires a hand count of ballots by the Board. This will hold up certification of Georgia election results.

Hand counting ballots requires significant time and manpower, which can strain county resources. In addition, there is a greater potential for human error—manual processes are not immune to mistakes, and human error could introduce new inaccuracies. Furthermore, these new procedures, the additional step of hand counting and review of documentation of returns could delay certification of election results, causing uncertainty in our election system.

The Board claims a manual review and verification of electronic results could reduce the risk of errors or tampering. These new rules seem to increase the risk of tampering.

Therefore, I oppose these amendments for they will only prove to delay Georgia certification. The 2020 election recounts (3 or more times) proved that we already have an excellent and foolproof system that does not warrant an extra step of examination of documentation by the Board before certifying our elections.

If this rule is passed, I am sure there will not be significant or hardly any errors to result in a change in election results, as proved by our 2020 national election. I think taxpayers would not approve of such use of already scare resources. People who vote do so to exercise their rights in the hopes of a fair and honest election, and timely certification of results.

Sincerely, Irene Norman Decatur

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 1:34:41 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Lynne Hedgepeth and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Enough is enough, please reject the petition to revise the above named rule. Let's get back to decency and order and trust in people to do the right thing and stop all the rumors and unproven accusations. THANK YOU.

Sincerely, Lynne Hedgepeth

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 1:31:24 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Rebecca Rohdenburg and I am a registered voter in Gwinnett county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The vast majority "election integrity" proposals are solutions in search of a problem. There is simply no evidence of any significant level of voter fraud occurring. The people who believe otherwise will not be placated by any legal change; they cannot be reasoned out of a position they were not reasoned into.

Moreover, the proposed law offers the opportunity for near-endless delay between vote counting and certification. We have already seen in that bad actors can use that delay to create confusion and the appearance of procedural irregularity when such has not occurred,, or even to corruptly place pressure on election officials.

This measure creates an opportunity for election interference, while making no improvement to security. It is worse than usless.

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Sincerely, Rebecca Rohdenburg

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_jennifer howard\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in registered voter in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because: there should be no obstacles to this critical upcoming election. Georgia proved its legitimacy of our processes in the last election. Every vote should count!

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Jennifer Howard From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Support rule 183-1-12-.12

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 1:17:02 PM

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I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to approve it.

Georgia Code Section 2I-2-493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense.

This type of reconciliation ensures the bedrock principle of one person, one vote and helps guard against the certification of inaccurate results. Just like when balancing a checkbook, if the numbers do not match up, there has been some sort of error that needs to be identified and corrected before results are certified. The proposed rule would make it easy to identify and correct any such discrepancies.

Failure to ensure accurate election results leads to distrust in our election system. It is vital that we, the citizens of Georgia, are able to trust the results of our primaries and elections, and the process outlined in the proposed rule is a key to achieving that goal.

The State Election Board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that ensure county boards of elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections. To that end, I urge the Board to give final approval to Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 1:05:48 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Sharon Hines and I am a registered voter in Coweta county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Sharon Hines

To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Reconciliation 183-1-12-.12

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 12:49:45 PM

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Hi,

I wanted to send my comments supporting Reconciliation 183-1-12-.12 detailing "the number of voters, the number of ballots cast, and the number of votes must all equal in counties before the election is certified".

This would be an important bill to pass to support election integrity and regain trust in the process.

Thanks, Kelsey Gordy

SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 12:48:55 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Tomas M and I am a voter in Paulding county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Tomas M

**SEB Public Comments** 

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 12:37:51 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Angela Mabry and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because our rights and privacy should be protected.

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Angela Mabry

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Mandy Whitaker and I am a registered voter in Clarke Count.

I am writing to strongly urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Mandy Whitaker

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Mrs. Tammy Grimes and I am a Committed registered voter in DeKalb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because it is just another way to bring the flavor and aroma of Voter Suppression by any means.

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute. Do what is good for the whole...NOT just a few!! Time out for this foolishness. Take your appointments seriously.

Sincerely, Tammy Grimes

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Dominique Carter and I am a registered voter in Henry County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Dominique Carter

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_Rachel Bouchard\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter in \_Richmond\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Rachel Bouchard

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Carol Davis. I am a registered voter and have lived and voted in Marietta, Georgia for over 30 years in Cobb county. I am appalled by what appears to be a massive scheme to change how we vote, change how votes are certified and change how we cast our votes for reasons that Donald Trump wants to cause doubt about election results for the 2024 election. After many attempts to challenge the 2020 election through the US courts, the Trump team offered the courts no substantial evidence to support claims of voter fraud. Donald Trump and some in the Republican party are trying to set up new laws to make it easier to disrupt the election process. This invasion of the disgruntled Republican voter has fallen susceptible to Donald Trump's lies and deception. I will not stand idly by now to allow a small set of aggressive people trample over a process that has worked smoothly for as long as I have been voting in Cobb County. This is a massive attempt at foul play and will only destroy faith in our democracy - a gift that our family has worked to hard to create and defend. Donald Trump and some of his supporters are extremely active in efforts to destroy our faith in our institutions. I will protest and financially support any organization, candidate, group opposing revision to Rule 183-1-12-12. This is not the time to be a Democrat or a Republican. Rather, it is time to be united in defending our Democracy - a gift from our Founding Fathers. The Founding Fathers anticipated that there would come a time when a president would overstep the Constitution and destroy what our ancestor fought so hard to protect. We Americans are not going to allow this to happen.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-12 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Carol Davis

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Phyllis Gilbert and I am a registered voter in Muscogee County.

I am urging you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Phyllis Gilbert

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Melissa Pate, and I am registered voter in Fulton County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Melissa Pate

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 11:56:32 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Riley V Canada II, registered voter in Cobb county.

Reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

ALSO, WHERE IS THE VOTER FRAUD YOU MAGA SCUM????? WHERE IS THE PROOF OF VOTER FRAUD ASSHOLES?????

Sincerely, Riley Canada II

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Margaret Vonk and I am a registered voter in Oconee county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

In addition, I oppose requiring hand-counting of ballots at each voting location instead of at the board of elections. Doing so will increase the possibility of human error and thus provide a reason for the election results not to be certified.

Implementing such rules risk eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, I request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Betsy Vonk

To: SEB Public Comments; jfervier.seb@qmail.com; saraqhazal.seb@qmail.com; jjohnstonmd.seb@qmail.com;

rjeffares.seb@gmail.com; jking.seb@gmail.com

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Reject proposed Rules

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Hello,

My name is Jeanette Petrozella and I am a registered voter in Cherokee County, GA. I strongly urge you to reject the proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12 and Rule 183-1-12-.12(a)(5).

## Rule 183-1-12-12(a)(5)

- This rule is totally unreasonable since hand counts are prone to errors and would cause unreasonable delays in certification.
- The paper ballots are only a back up after the official vote is scanned on a memory card and sent to the Secretary of State.
- There are already existing ways to handle any discrepancy and this rule will not assist in election security. It would subject the vote to more situations where the ballots would be handled by more individuals. This is not acceptable.

## Rule 183-1-12-.12

- This rule is totally unreasonable since it introduces unnecessary reconciliation procedures before all the votes are counted, thus slowing certification. This will give voters more reason to mistrust the results.
- The legal authority of the board members is to be with the majority of the board, not an individual board member. It is not the role of an individual board member to individually request and examine various documents. This allows illintentioned board members to create an endless hunt for any documentation that can be falsely claimed as fraud, thus causing delay.
- The proposed rule is plainly unauthorized by statute. It is illegal and would not
  withstand judicial review. The board of elections is given a direct and simple
  duty: certify the results by the deadline, and refer any suspicion of fraud to the
  district attorney. Anything more than this is an overreach of authority not
  permissible under Georgia law.

I urge you to use common sense and do not approve these two rules. Our voters deserve to get an accurate and timely vote tabulation without undue rules that can complicate and confuse the process for certification. Our Democracy needs a smooth process without undue delay.

Jeanette Travale Petrozella



To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Kimberly Green\_ and I am a registered voter Gwinnett county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Kimberly Green From: Sey

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Rachel Ramsey, and I am a registered voter in Cherokee county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Rachel Ramsey From: To:

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 9:53:01 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Deni-Kay \_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Denise Freier

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_Elder James \_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Spalding county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Elder James

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

I am a registered voter in Fulton County.

Why revise Rule 183-1-12-.12? Why make the election process more unmanageable and contentious? I know that you know why you are doing this, and I know that this is coming from a dark place that is undemocratic. It is about sowing discord to seize power. Please say it plainly when voting for this and remove the hypocrisy that is so blatant.

So, to follow a democratic concept:

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the board issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute."

Sincerely, Howard Kaplan From: To:

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Cynthia Granby and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, CYNTHIA CHARGOIS GRANBY

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Christa Griffin

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Jeanine Thompson, and I am a registered voter, in Fulton County.

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Sincerely, Jeanine Thompson

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 9:09:40 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Harriet Williams and I am a registered vote in Gwinnett county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Harriet Williams

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 9:09:33 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Tricia Gephardt and I am a registered voter in Fulton county Georgia.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Tricia Gephardt

To: SEB Public Comments; jfervier.seb@gmail.com; saraghazal.seb@gmail.com; jjohnstonmd.seb@gmail.com;

rjeffares.seb@gmail.com; jking.seb@gmail.com

Cc:

Subject: Objections to Proposed Rule Changes

Date: Saturday, August 17, 2024 9:03:41 AM

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My name is Ronald Eugene Kraus, and I am a registered voter in Cherokee County, GA. I vote in all elections.

I object to the changes in Rule 183-1-12-.12.

I object to the changes outlined in Rule 183-1-12-.12(a)(5) for the following reasons:

- 1. It is needlessly redundant--according to existing procedures, by the end of the day, the Elections Director already knows the county votes by precinct are balanced, and if not, the reason has been determined.
- 2. It is well known that hand counting is consistently prone to error, and expecting poll workers to go through this rigorous and unnecessary exercise is unreasonable.
- 3. Counting the PAPER ballots does not assist with election security. The official vote count is on the memory cards which is what is turned into the Sec of State, with paper ballots serving as back up after they are scanned.
- 4. There are procedures in place to identify and resolve discrepancies.

I also object to the changes outlined in Rule 183-1-12-.12 for the following reasons:

- 1. This rule is unreasonable because it introduces unnecessary reconciliation procedures before all votes are counted--it slows the certification process which gives more reason for voters to mistrust the results.
- 2. The rule calls for action by board of election members that is beyond the limits of their legal authority. The legal authority of board members rests with the MAJORITY of the board, not individual board members. This makes the language of the petition completely unenforceable.
- 3. The proposed rule is plainly unauthorized by statute, it is illegal and would not withstand judicial review.
- 4. The board of elections is given a direct and simple duty: certify the results by the deadline, and refer any suspicion of fraud to the district attorney. Anything more than this is an overreach of authority not permissible under Georgia law.
- 5. It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents. While it is the role of the majority of the Board to review many aspects of the election, an individual board member should not be given unfettered ability to examine all documents -- this allows ill-intentioned board members to embark on an endless hunt for any documentation that might prove their own speculation of fraud. It allows them to delay and sully the process by requesting documents completely irrelevant to the certification process.
- 6. The proposed rule does not specify the election-related documents that must be provided to county board members, allowing for a major potential burden on election staff to prepare documentation on demand.

7. The proposed rule risks eroding public confidence in elections. It magnifies unsubstantiated rumors and delays results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

I urge you to understand the importance of these objections and reject adoption of these draconian and unnecessary rule changes.

Thank you for your consideration.

Ronald E. Kraus

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 9:02:06 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

I am a registered voter in Dekalb County and have been since I moved here 30 years ago. I am an active voter.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Hazel Segall

**SEB Public Comments** 

To: SEB Publ

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 8:53:06 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Anne Fishwick Hughes and I am a registered voter, in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Anne Hughes

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 8:44:30 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Wanda Gross and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Wanda Gross

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 8:32:13 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

Dear Members of the Georgia State Elections Board (SEB),

As a voter in Fulton County, I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed rule change that would introduce unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted, unduly hampering the election certification process in our state. It is not the role of individual county board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Georgia elections have been proven multiple times to be secure and reliable. Implementing this change and the other rules recently adopted by the SEB will likely significantly disenfranchise legal voters in our state, undermining the integrity and trust in our electoral system.

I urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12 and prioritize the protection of every Georgian's right to vote.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, I request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Mary Kristin Ramsey Clyde Atlanta, GA

Sincerely, Kristin Ramsey Clyde

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 7:58:57 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Dr. Renay Dixon and I am a registered voter in Fulton County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely,

Dr. Renay Dixon

**SEB Public Comments** 

To:

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

Saturday, August 17, 2024 7:43:55 AM Date:

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in county.

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Sincerely, Jennifer Reed From: To:

SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 7:32:53 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Bess Miller and I am a registered voter in Dekalb County.

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Sincerely, Bess Miller From: To:

SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 7:26:28 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Lynn Mcdonald and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

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Sincerely, Lynn McDonald From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Rule for Reconciliation

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 7:24:22 AM

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I support Bill 183-1-12-.12

Sincerely, Paulette Massey Levin Rome, Georgia

Sent from my iPhone

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 6:04:37 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Natasha C. and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

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Sincerely,

Natasha C.

From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 5:44:04 AM

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I support Rule 183-1-12-.12. Lynda Dunaway, Rome, GA

From: To:

SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 4:00:18 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Adrianne Poulard and I am a concerned registered voter in Fulton County.

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Sincerely, Adrianne Poulard

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To:

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Saturday, August 17, 2024 2:45:28 AM Date:

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is CeLois and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, CeLois Steele From:
To:
SEB Public Comments
GA ELECTION INTEGRITY

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 2:43:33 AM

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To GA SECSTATE Raffensberger,

In light of the election integrity problems rampant in many states around the country, GA election processes must be beyond reproach. In order to ensure they are, the following initiatives must be instituted immediately.

1] 183-1-12-.12(a)(5) .... Sharlene Alexander petition to do a Hand Count of Total Ballots at each Precinct on Election Day.

[2]] 183-1-12-.12 .... Salleigh Grubbs petition enforcing County Board Certification rights to examine election records.

[3] 183-1-12-.12(e) Gail Lee petition for a Reconciliation Report of Total Ballots Cast to Total Voters who voted in each precinct.

Do not delay or impede the acceptance and implementation of these measures. As a result of the elections in 2020 and 2022, GA is currently a national laughingstock and embarrassment. Your actions here will either confirm or refute these well deserved characterizations. Make it happen. Right now.

Sean Laughlin Peachtree City GA From:

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: Supporting Rule183-1-12-.12 implementation Date: Saturday, August 17, 2024 2:36:00 AM

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I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to approve it.

Georgia Code Section 2I-2-493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense.

This type of reconciliation ensures the bedrock principle of one person, one vote and helps guard against the certification of inaccurate results. Just like when balancing a checkbook, if the numbers do not match up, there has been some sort of error that needs to be identified and corrected before results are certified. The proposed rule would make it easy to identify and correct any such discrepancies.

Failure to ensure accurate election results leads to distrust in our election system. It is vital that we, the citizens of Georgia, are able to trust the results of our primaries and elections, and the process outlined in the proposed rule is a key to achieving that goal.

The State Election Board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that ensure county boards of elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections. To that end, I urge the Board to give final approval to Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12.

Regards

Al Hatcher

**Dougherty County** 

SEB Public Comments

To: Date:

Saturday, August 17, 2024 1:30:20 AM

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I and my family (3 voting members) STRONGLY support the following 3 rules.

[1] 183-1-12-.12(a)(5) .... Sharlene Alexander petitioned to do a Hand Count of Total Ballots at each Precinct on Election Day [if you have counted the ballots before, please say that, how you felt about doing this and how much time you felt it took] Support this rule as it applies to Early Voting as well.

[2]] 183-1-12-.12 .... Salleigh Grubbs petition enforcing County Board Certification rights to examine election records. Of course we should be allowed to examine election records - who are you to tell the voting public that we should not be allowed to examine election records for both election day as well as early voting.

[3] 183-1-12-.12(e) Gail Lee petition for a Reconciliation Report of Total Ballots Cast to Total Voters who voted in each precinct. YES to a reconciliation report!

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** Support for Proposed Rule 183-1-12.12 One person One Vote

**Date:** Saturday, August 17, 2024 1:05:14 AM

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Dear Chairman Fervier and Board Members:

I am a 27-year Georgia citizen who is extremely concerned about the integrity of the upcoming 2024 general election in Georgia. Four years ago, in the 2020 General Election the nation witnessed a stunning departure from the acceptable manner of running a free and fair election process that American citizens were accustomed to. This has caused large numbers of voters to distrust the process and by inference, the people who oversee it. In order to restore the public trust, it is critical that the Board take measures which will ensure that each eligible GA voter is allowed only ONE VOTE. That is why I fully support Salleigh Grubbs's proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12.

In order for County Board members to faithfully uphold their oaths (O.C.G.A 21-2-70) and fulfill their duty to see that their county's elections follow Georgia's existing election laws, they must be able to determine with certainty that the votes are accurately counted and then reconciled with the number of voters who cast their votes. This rule aligns with Georgia statutes mandating that superintendents <u>accurately compute and certify votes</u>, while vigilantly monitoring the <u>conduct of primaries and elections</u> to prevent any forms of error or fraud (O.C.G.A. 21-2-493). Adoption of Ms. Grubbs' proposed Rule 183-1-12.12 will reassure Georgia voters that the election process is conducted with transparency and integrity and hopefully **end the harmful rhetoric that election certification is a mindless ministerial duty.** 

This rule will provide clear guidance to each County's Election Superintendent and Board of Election's Members regarding compliance with OCGA 21-2-493.

I urge you to vote "Yes" for Ms. Grubbs' Rule.

Thank you for serving on this very important body.

Sincerely yours,

Victoria E. Cruz, M.D.



GA Citizen Oconee County Citizen Registered GA Voter

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To:

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

Date: Friday, August 16, 2024 11:55:24 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in county.

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Sincerely, Laurence Skirvin From: To:

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 11:52:17 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Teri Adams and I am a registered voter in Bleckley county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Teri Adams From:
To:
SEB Public Comments
Subject:
Support election integrity rules
Pate:
Friday, August 16, 2024 11:39:48 PM

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Dear State Elections Board,

I support all 3 election integrity rules -

- 1. 183-1-12-.12(a)(5).... Sharlene Alexander petition to do a Hand Count of Total Ballots at each Precinct on Election Day.
- 2. 183-1-12-.12....Salleigh Grubbs petition enforcing County Board Certification rights to examine election records.
- 3. 183-1-12-.12(e) Gail Lee petition for a Reconciliation Report of Total Voters who voted in each precinct.

Thank you for your attention!

Kind regards,

Kathy Bai

To: SEB Public Comments

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My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

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Sincerely, Sandi Bratton

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Collyne Partee and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Collyne Partee From:

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: Fw: Rule 183-1-12-.12 Tabulating Results

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From: "Susan Bello"

To: "SEBPublicComments@sos.ga.go" <SEBPublicComments@sos.ga.go>

**Sent:** Fri, Aug 16, 2024 at 10:37 PM

**Subject:** Rule 183-1-12-.12 Tabulating Results

I do not agree with the new Rule 183-1-12-.12 Tabulating Results.

Our 2020 Presidential Elections were proven to be accurate. There was not stolen election.

The system for ballot collection and reconciliation is safe and accurate. I have a family member who has worked in the polling places for years. Poll workers are responsible for opening the polls on election morning; checking in voters and issuing ballots; assisting voters; implementing election laws and procedures; maintaining the chain of custody of ballots, voting equipment, and supplies; closing the polls; and reconciling the number of voters checked in with the number of ballots cast at their location. These ballots are reconciled at each polling place. The number of ballots entered in into entered into voting machines must match the number of paper ballots. the election materials are securely sealed before being transported to the counting office. When the election materials are delivered to the counting area the seals are checked and and the reconciliation of voters that checked in at polling places are checked against the # of ballots.

The same type of security measures are in place during the process of counting

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After the polls close, local election officials are responsible for counting ballots, including mail-in ballots (in some states, mail-in ballots are accepted several days after Election Day if postmarked beforehand). Officials then process provisional ballots and conduct a "canvass" — the tabulating, double-checking and transmitting of the results from the local jurisdiction to the state.

These new rules are being put in place by election deniers like Julie Adams, Who refused to certify this year's presidential primary, she didn't cite any wrongdoing or fraud, nor did she claim ballots were missed or counted wrongly.

This is just a ploy to undermine the voters. A way for our free and fair elections to be hi-jacked by individuals trying to overthrow our next election. A way for election

officials to over ride the will of the people, to throw out votes that they do not agree with.

These new Rule 183-1-12-.12 Tabulating Results would hold up the counting of ballots for at least 6 days. This would leave too much time and too many people being able to touch and possibly change counts or remove ballots from counts. Not to speak of how much chaos this delay would cause before it even reached the Secretary of State so that the State counts could be completed.

The consolidated returns shall then be certified by the superintendent not later than 5:00

P.M. on the Monday following the date on which such election was held and such returns

shall be immediately transmitted to the Secretary of State

Sincerely Susan Bello From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** comments re: proposed rulemaking revisions to SEB Rule 183-1-12-.12

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 10:54:05 PM

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My name is Susan Cole and I am a registered voter in Dekalb County.

I urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12 related to the role of county boards in the election certification process.

The proposed rule states in part "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results".

The proposed rule conflicts with Georgia law and is unreasonable. It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize such documents. O.C.G.A 21-2-493, cited as authority for this proposed rule, prescribes the process for computation and certification of votes and assigns responsibility for the process and certification to the county election superintendent. It does not authorize board members to alter, or delay, the statutory process by seeking review of documents not pertinent to their role.

Furthermore, the provisions in the proposed rule requiring hand counting of paper ballots are unnecessary reconciliation processes that would introduce the risk of human error, burden county election superintendents and staff, and slow the certification process. The result would be not enhancement of election security but introduction of reasons for voters to doubt election results.

Implementing the proposed rule changes risks eroding public confidence in elections. The proposed changes would amplify opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, I request that it "issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for

overruling the consideration urged against its adoption" as required by statute.
Thank you for considering my comments.
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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 10:52:43 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Nancy McPherson and I am a registered voter n Douglas County Georgia.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Nancy McPherson

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Sincerely, Ashley Linton

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Dorothy Harris and I am a (registered voter in Fulton county.

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Sincerely, Dorothy Harris

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Laurie Moore and I am a registered voter in Fulton County.

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Sincerely, Laurie Moore

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Sincerely, Tess Linning

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Sincerely, Raye Chennault

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Valerie Pinkett, and I am a registered voter in Fulton County.

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Sincerely, Valerie Pinkett

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_C Brown\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_Fulton\_\_\_ county.

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Sincerely, C Brown

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_Ruth Lipscomb\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) registered voter in Fulton county.

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Sincerely, Ruth Lipscomb

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_Cheryl Gloster\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in North Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Cheryl Gloster

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Deloris Davis and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Cheryl and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

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Sincerely, Cheryl Middleton Jones

SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 9:51:46 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Venecia Foster and I am a registered voter in Fulton County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 9:50:35 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_Betty Marshall\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: I am a registered voter in \_\_DeKalb\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Betty Marshall

SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 9:49:18 PM

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Sincerely, Janice Smallwood

SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 9:46:27 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Aldred Bailey and I am a registered in Cherokee county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Aldred Bailey

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 9:45:46 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Julie Bassett and I am a registered in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process. This rule is an unreasonable intrusion on the role of counties in election administration and unnecessarily erodes confidence in the election process. Our elected officials in charge of elections do not believe that this new rule is needed, and in fact also believe that this change creates unwarranted confusion and confusion in the electorate.

Specifically, the proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Julia Bassett

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 9:41:35 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Karen Shelton and I am a registered voter iin Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Karen Shelton

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 9:08:48 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

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Sincerely, Nancy Weisman

**SEB Public Comments** 

To:

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

Date: Friday, August 16, 2024 9:06:37 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Kathryn Fazenbaker and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Kathryn Fazenbaker From:

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: State Election Board Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 9:02:55 PM

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This email is in opposition to the State Election Board Proposed New Rule Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results, <a href="notice\_of\_proposed\_rulemaking\_183\_1\_12\_12\_1\_v2.pdf">notice\_of\_proposed\_rulemaking\_183\_1\_12\_12\_1\_v2.pdf</a> (ga.gov). These amendments aim to provide extra and unnecessary checks outside the current system already in place. As proven by the 2020 national election, Georgia recounted the votes to my recollection 3 or more times, resulting in the same results or outcomes—a Biden presidency win for 2020. There is no reason for these additional steps and no legal basis, for instilling such rules. Our voting system and recent elections have not given the Board just cause or reason for such review and examination.

There is a greater potential for human error—manual processes are not immune to mistakes, and human error could introduce new inaccuracies. Furthermore, these new procedures, the additional step of hand counting and review of documentation of returns could delay certification of election results, causing uncertainty in our election system.

The Board claims a manual review and verification of electronic results could reduce the risk of errors or tampering. These new rules seem to increase the risk of tampering.

I have observed the poll workers doing due diligence in making sure all ballots and votes are counted accurately. The Poll Managers work extremely hard to reconcile the reporting for their precincts before turning in their results; they count, recount, and recount again before reporting results.

Therefore, I oppose these amendments for they will only prove to delay Georgia certification. The 2020 election recounts (3 or more times) proved that we already have an excellent and foolproof system that does not warrant an extra step of examination of documentation by the Board before certifying our elections.

If this rule is passed, I am sure there will not be significant or hardly any errors to result in a change in election results, as proved by our 2020 national election. I think taxpayers would not approve of such use of already scare resources. People who vote do so to exercise their rights in the hopes of a fair and honest election, and timely certification of results.

Howard Allen

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 8:55:57 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Emma Zuniga Martin and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Emma Zuniga Martin

SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 8:21:43 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Timothy Nutter and I am a registered voter in Cherokee County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Timothy Nutter

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 7:58:54 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Tamara Hunter and I am a registered in Fulton county.

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Sincerely, Tamara Hunter

SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 7:53:41 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is SUSAN DIX CLYMER, and I am a registered voter in Gwinnett County. I have attended BORE meetings for years, have been a poll watcher, and have served on VR and BDP Panels

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

This rule threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. It undermines existing protocols SO CLOSE TO THE ELECTION. It is another activity that OVERBURDENS our Elections staff and poll workers.

Come on! You certainly know that we are too close to the election to implement rules that require intense training of officials and a deeper view of consequences- - both intended and unintended.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Susan Clymer

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 7:40:16 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is David Bryan and I am a registered voter in Chatham County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, David Bryan

SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 7:32:48 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Tara Sieger and I am a registered voter in Cherokee county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Tara Sieger From:
To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: Voting

Date: Friday, August 16, 2024 7:13:09 PM

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I support

proposed rule 183-1-12-.12



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From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** Vote in favor of the new Rule 183-1-12-.12 on August 19th

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 7:09:48 PM

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Honorable Georgia State Election Board members,

As a concerned citizen invested in the integrity of the upcoming 2024 general election in Georgia, I have the utmost support of Salleigh Grubbs's proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12, which aims to enhance election security this year.

It is essential for County Board members to uphold their fiduciary duty to oversee that all aspects of their county's elections adhere to Georgia's election laws. This rule aligns with Georgia statutes mandating superintendents to accurately compute and certify votes, while vigilantly monitoring the conduct of primaries and elections to prevent any forms of malpractice (O.C.G.A. 21-2-70, 21-2-493). By supporting Rule 183-1-12-.12 to tabulate results at the upcoming <u>August 19th</u> Board meeting, we can ensure that the election process is conducted with transparency and integrity.

I appreciate that the rule provides clear guidance to each County's Election Superintendent and Board of Election's Members regarding compliance with OCGA 21-2-493. Hopefully this will end the misunderstandings regarding these respective officials' responsibilities in the certification process.

I have to say that the argument that the law does not allow the superintendent any evaluation of the election process or judgment in certification is silly for multiple reasons;

- 1. The certifier takes an oath as he signs the certification, in which he takes responsibility for the validity and accuracy of the results.
- 2. If the accuracy was none of his business, the superintendent would not be required to certify it.
- 3. Look up the words in the dictionary. "Shall" is not absolute, and "certify" is not perfunctory.

I urge you to vote "Yes" for Salleigh's rule to promote integrity and accountability within the electoral system to uphold the trust and confidence of Georgia's electorate.

All the Best

Philip Poole Tucker, GA

**SEB Public Comments** 

To: Subject:

SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 7:06:01 PM

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Sincerely, Jackie Bailey From:
To:

SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** Vote in favor of the new Rule 183-1-12-.12 on August 19th

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 7:00:57 PM

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Honorable Georgia State Election Board members,

As a concerned citizen invested in the integrity of the upcoming 2024 general election in Georgia, I have the utmost support of Salleigh Grubbs's proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12, which aims to enhance election security this year.

It is essential for County Board members to uphold their fiduciary duty to oversee that all aspects of their county's elections adhere to Georgia's election laws. This rule aligns with Georgia statutes mandating superintendents to accurately compute and certify votes, while vigilantly monitoring the conduct of primaries and elections to prevent any forms of malpractice (O.C.G.A. 21-2-70, 21-2-493). By supporting Rule 183-1-12-.12 to tabulate results at the upcoming <u>August 19th</u> Board meeting, we can ensure that the election process is conducted with transparency and integrity.

I appreciate that the rule provides clear guidance to each County's Election Superintendent and Board of Election's Members regarding compliance with OCGA 21-2-493. Hopefully this will end the misunderstandings regarding these respective officials' responsibilities in the certification process.

I have to say that the argument that the law does not allow the superintendent any evaluation of the election process or judgment in certification is silly for multiple reasons;

- 1. The certifier takes an oath as he signs the certification, in which he takes responsibility for the validity and accuracy of the results.
- 2. If the accuracy was none of his business, the superintendent would not be required to certify it.
- 3. Look up the words in the dictionary. "Shall" is not absolute, and "certify" is not perfunctory.

I urge you to vote "Yes" for Salleigh's rule to promote integrity and accountability within the electoral system to uphold the trust and confidence of Georgia's electorate.

Barbara Poole Tucker, GA

**SEB Public Comments** 

Subject:

SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 6:56:03 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Stephanie and I am a registered voter in Cherokee county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Stephanie Bolton From:

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: Support for Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12

Date: Support for Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12

Priday, August 16, 2024 6:48:56 PM

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To Whom it may concern,

I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to approve it.

Georgia Code Section 2I-2-493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense.

This type of reconciliation ensures the bedrock principle of one person, one vote and helps guard against the certification of inaccurate results. Just like when balancing a checkbook, if the numbers do not match up, there has been some sort of error that needs to be identified and corrected before results are certified. The proposed rule would make it easy to identify and correct any such discrepancies.

Failure to ensure accurate election results leads to distrust in our election system. It is vital that we, the citizens of Georgia, are able to trust the results of our primaries and elections, and the process outlined in the proposed rule is a key to achieving that goal.

The State Election Board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that ensure county boards of elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections. To that end, I urge the Board to give final approval to Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12.

From:

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: Support for Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12

Date: Friday, August 16, 2024 6:45:46 PM

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Sincerely, Barbara Gann From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 6:41:35 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Wendy Gutierrez Cheeks and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does NOT lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

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Sincerely, Wendy Cheeks

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 6:17:26 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Deborah McCarthy and I am a registered voter in Bibb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Deborah McCarthy

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 6:16:41 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Elizabeth Rowan and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

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Sincerely, Elizabeth Rowan From:

**SEB Public Comments** 

To: SEB F

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 6:08:01 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Joseph Wagner and I am a registered voter in Fulton County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Joseph Wagner From:

**SEB Public Comments** 

To:

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

Date: Friday, August 16, 2024 6:07:38 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Lindsey Jones and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule is happening in federal election year. Please choose off years for deciding this type of policy.

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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I would love to know why this rule is being proposed during one of the most consequential elections of my lifetime.

Sincerely, Lindsey Jones

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 6:05:01 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Linda Levy and I am a registered voter in DeKalb I county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12. related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Linda Levy

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 6:03:38 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Konstanze Pelargus and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 5:58:34 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Patricia Nealon and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

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Sincerely, Patricia Nealon From:

**SEB Public Comments** 

To:

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

Date: Friday, August 16, 2024 5:55:33 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in county.

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Sincerely, Paula Coleman From:

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 5:45:51 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Claire Quinn and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Fulton county.

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Sincerely, Claire Quinn

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 5:38:24 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Beverly Edmond and I am a registered voter, in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Beverly Edmond

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 5:37:37 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Victoria Webb and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

I served as a local elections board monitor in 2020 and saw firsthand how fair and accurate that election was, and how dedicated all election board members were.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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To:

SEB Public Comments

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 5:35:30 PM

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183-1-12-.12(a)(5) .... Sharlene Alexander petition to do a **Hand Count of Total Ballots at each Precinct on Election Day.** 

I strongly recommend a hand count of ballots cast. This will discourage fraud and validate the machine counts. Just common sense to discourage fraud in our elections.

Martha and Dan Larrick

SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 5:34:42 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Gloria Kee, and I am a registered voter, in Cobb County. I am writing to urge you to please REJECT the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unnecessary and unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process and only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters. We were all informed by election experts that the 2020 election result was reliable and secure.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents! This concerns me.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

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I appreciate all you do, and hope you don't add needless recounts and questioning to our secure election process.

Sincerely, Gloria Kee From:

To:

SEB Public Comments

Subject:County BoardcCertifcation RightsDate:Friday, August 16, 2024 5:32:19 PM

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2]] 183-1-12-.12 .... Salleigh Grubbs petition enforcing County Board Certification rights to examine election records.

Every county board should have the right to examine election records to discourage voter fraud.

**Dan Larrick** 

From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Hand count ballots

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 5:28:59 PM

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[1] 183-1-12-.12(a)(5) .... Sharlene Alexander petition to do a **Hand Count of Total Ballots at** each Precinct on Election Day

I strongly recommend a hand count of total ballots at each precinct on election day. This may take a little longer, but will discourage voter fraud and lost ballots

From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Voting Integrity

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 5:28:07 PM

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I wish to express my support for rule 183-1-12-.12 so that the number of votes, ballots, and voters match. Sent from my iPhone

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 5:22:36 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Nihanth Pinnaka and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to persuade you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Nihanth Pinnaka

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 5:21:32 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Teresa Cook and I am a registered voter in Cherokee county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Teresa Cook

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 5:15:24 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Mary Wren and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Mary Wren

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 5:13:28 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Elmer Clark and I am a registered voter in Clarke County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Elmer Clark 
 From:
 SEB Public Comments

 To:
 Subject:

 Rule 183-1-12-.12

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 4:54:59 PM

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To the members of the State Elections Board,

We absolutely need to insure that the number of ballots match the number of voters, just as the Ga. Code Section 21-2-493(b) requires.

Therefore, I am in support of Rule 183-1-12-.12 and ask the board to approve the Rule. Respectfully, Judith J. Hulsey

Resident of Lumpkin Co. and registered voter.

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 4:52:31 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is William Witherspoon and I am a registered voter in DeKalb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

I have entire days in polling places on several occasions as a volunteer. I always marvel at the patience and fortitude of the poll manager in particular as well as the other paid staff. I do not understand why the Georgia State Election Board would choose to make their jobs more difficult by making this unnecessary change, especially so close to such a busy, critical, election.

Besides the burden on poll workers, this change would diminish, not improve, voter confidence in election results. This rule will impede counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, William Witherspoon

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 4:53:23 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is James Vaughn and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, James Vaughn

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 4:49:33 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Natalie Wagner and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, in Floyd county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Natalie Wagner From:

To: SEB Public Comments

Cc:
Subject: Vote in favor of the new Rule 183-1-12-.12(e) on August 19th.

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 4:47:51 PM

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Honorable Georgia State Election Board members,

As a voter in DeKalb County Georgia, I declare my full support for the proposed change to Rule 183-1-12-.12(e), which aims to enhance election security this year.

It seems to me that reconciling any tallies available would be required by any high-reliability process like banking or voting, and that presenting such reconciliation analysis to the customer would be an obvious benefit to both the server and the customer. That is, we shouldn't need a rule like this.

However, in some counties the number of ballots was far higher than the number of voters who voted. The explanation given was that the first number was not actually the number of ballots, but the number of ballot pages. Since some ballots had two or three pages, this number was far higher.

But an explanation is not a reconciliation. The simple arithmetic must be done to show how to get from one number to the other. That is, divide the number of pages by 3 for the three-page ballots, etc. This rule shouldn't be necessary, but apparently it is.

I urge you to vote "Yes" for this rule to promote integrity and accountability within the electoral system to restore the trust and confidence of Georgia's electorate.



From:
To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** Comment on Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12.1

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 4:44:50 PM

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To the State Election Board-

I write to express my concerns about the proposed amendment to Rule 183-1-12-.12.1. Specifically section 5 of this proposed new role which provides that county election board members are to be given the opportunity to examine "all election related documentation...prior to certification of results" threatens to interfere with the timely certification of results. This is especially so when considered in tandem with the recently passed Rule 183-1-12-.02 purporting to give individual county election board members discretion over certification, in violation of state law.

The term "all election related documents" is exceedingly broad and in fact practically limitless. It could arguably encompass any piece of paper existing on the various premises of the county elections office, regardless of how meaningless it might be. In view of this proposed rule an election board member wouldn't even have to show such a request is "reasonable" since this rule makes the right absolute.

This rule could result in a plethora of requests from different county election board members, overwhelming election staff and taking their focus and time away from their mandated task of preparing results for certification.

Again taken together with Rule 183-1-12-.02, the logical result might be costly and time-sucking litigation over whether it is "reasonable" to certify an election if every piece of paper requested cannot be produced and reviewed prior to the state mandated deadline.

This proposed rule seeks to reinforce illegal vesting of discretion in county election boards to certify their election, contrary to state law. Please reject the proposed rule.

Lawrie Demorest

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 4:42:04 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Rachel Stanley

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 4:38:05 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

Dear Members of our State Election Board

Dear Members of our Georgia State Election Board.

Our names are Patrick F. and RoseMarie Walsh. We are and have been registered voters in Fulton county for over thirty years.

We are writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents. The proposed rule is unreasonable and harmful to the people of Georgia and to the reputation of our State. It should be rejected.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are. Don't enable the irrational and harmful nonsense that occurred following the national election of 2024-- with wretched and unsupportable criticisms of the final results and attacks on decent and hardworking state and county election workers. Governor Kemp and Secretary of State Raffensberger properly and courageously rejected those attacks on our election process. So did our courts and other responsible public officials. The proposed rule invites a repeat performance of such rejected and harmful activities.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), We request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record. Moreover, in the hopefully remote event that the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Patrick and RoseMarie Walsh

Sincerely, Patrick Walsh

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 4:35:09 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Douglas Neal

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 4:32:10 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter in COLUMBIA COUNTY.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because: it is born of unreasonable fear and misrepresentation by a single candidate who did not win a single law suit fighting his loss. And felonious charges are now pending against and his enablers in Georgia.

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Diane Jarrett

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 4:30:38 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is \_Sally Peters \_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, in Fayette \_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Sally Peters From:

To: SEB Public Comments

Cc: Subject:

Vote in favor of the new Rule 183-1-12-.12(a)(5) on August 19th.

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 4:30:33 PM

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Honorable Georgia State Election Board members,

As a Georgia voter of DeKalb County, I fully support of the proposed Rule change 183-1-12-.12(a)(5), which aims to enhance election security this year.

The chain of custody of all critical election materials, especially ballots, begins at all the polling places around the state. It must be done correctly, and this rule would make that happen for paper ballots, by requiring an accurate hand count before they are sealed up for transit. It is incredible that Blake Evans, an unelected bureaucrat, stopped this important counting procedure, just by sending an e-mail to all election workers of the state, without debate, without public comment, and even without public awareness! Now, returning to that practice, even through the long process of proposal, legislative review, public debate by five experts, and public comment, is somehow a controversial change!

The whole idea of a chain of custody is to record exactly what documents began the chain, and make sure they all arrived at the destination. How can that happen if you don't even know how many you started with? I have watched the process of counting ballots at the Tucker Precinct, and a worker had to practically climb inside the scanner to retrieve ballots that did not fall to the bottom of the bin. She did this twice before the hand count matched the machine count!

I urge you to vote "Yes" for rule change to promote integrity and accountability within the electoral system to uphold the trust and confidence of Georgia's electorate.

Vicor Tripp

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 4:30:15 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Kathy Ferrell-Swann and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Kathy Ferrell-Swann

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 4:30:06 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely,

Caren Solomon Bharwani

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 4:30:03 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Annette Moffitt and I am a registered in Cobb county. For several weeks I have been reading about changes the Election Board has been introduced to delay the vote.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable and unneeded especially since prior election certifications were handled accurately without the delaying steps being added to delay the process.

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Annette Moffitt From:

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: Support for Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12

Date: Support for Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12

Priday, August 16, 2024 4:27:47 PM

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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to you in support of proposed rule 183-1-12-.12. I have worked as a Poll manager in Floyd County and believe it is of utmost importance to the public to know we have followed strict guidelines in election integrity and that there will be consequences for not following the guidelines. I believe that is fair to all parties. Please pass this proposed rule.

Sincerely,

Cindy Boling Resident in Floyd County From:
To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: Fwd: IMPORTANT STATE ELECTIONS COMMISSION VOTE

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 4:27:27 PM

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Hello

I am a resident of Fayette County GA and a long time naturalized United States citizen, having immigrated hete legally with my family in 1961, as a result of the Communist takeover and devastation of our native Cuba.

As such I know the importance of securing election integrity and ensuring due regard respect and even reverence for secure safe fair elections.

Therefore I am writing to strongly declare my support and conviction for the three important measures below and hereby cast my vote for the prompt implementation of same:

Thank you,

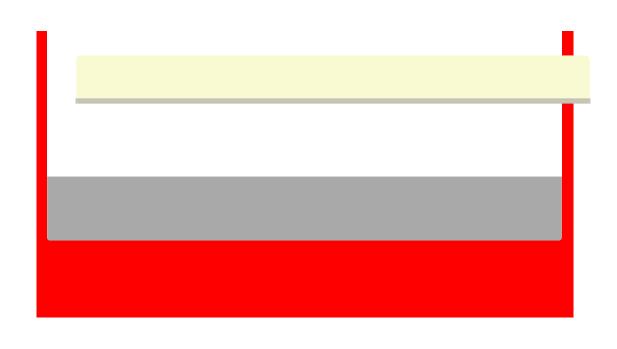
Frances Barrera

Sent from my iPhone

[1] 183-1-12-.12(a)(5) .... Sharlene Alexander petition to do a Hand Count of Total Ballots at each Precinct on Election Day [if you have counted the ballots before, please say that, how you felt about doing this and how much time you felt it took]

[2]] 183-1-12-.12 .... Salleigh Grubbs petition enforcing County Board Certification rights to examine election records

[3] 183-1-12-.12(e) Gail Lee petition for a Reconciliation Report of Total Ballots Cast to Total Voters who voted in each precinct.



To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 4:21:07 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Regina Ali-Nur and I am a registered voter in Cobb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Regina Ali-Nur

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Samantha CLAAR \_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered VOTER in GWINNETT county.

I am writing to urge you to PLEASE REJECT the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Samantha CLAAR

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Martha Kent and I am a registered voter in Cherokee County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, M. Kent

From:

To: SEB Public Comments

Cc: Subject:

Vote in favor of the new Rule 183-1-12-.12 on August 19th.

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 4:08:27 PM

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Honorable Georgia State Election Board members,

As a concerned citizen invested in the integrity of the upcoming 2024 general election in Georgia, I have the utmost support of Salleigh Grubbs's proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12, which aims to enhance election security this year.

It is essential for County Board members to uphold their fiduciary duty to oversee that all aspects of their county's elections adhere to Georgia's election laws. This rule aligns with Georgia statutes mandating superintendents to accurately compute and certify votes, while vigilantly monitoring the conduct of primaries and elections to prevent any forms of malpractice (O.C.G.A. 21-2-70, 21-2-493). By supporting Rule 183-1-12-.12 to tabulate results at the upcoming August 19th Board meeting, we can ensure that the election process is conducted with transparency and integrity.

I appreciate that the rule provides clear guidance to each County's Election Superintendent and Board of Election's Members regarding compliance with OCGA 21-2-493. Hopefully this will end the misunderstandings regarding these respective officials' responsibilities in the certification process.

I have to say that the argument that the law does not allow the superintendent any evaluation of the election process or judgment in certification is silly for multiple reasons;

- 1. The certifier takes an oath as he signs the certification, in which he takes responsibility for the validity and accuracy of the results.
- 2. If the accuracy was none of his business, the superintendent would not be required to certify it.
- 3. Look up the words in the dictionary. "Shall" is not absolute, and "certify" is not perfunctory.

I urge you to vote "Yes" for Salleigh's rule to promote integrity and accountability within the electoral system to uphold the trust and confidence of Georgia's electorate.

Vic Tripp

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 4:03:03 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Emily Stanley and I am a registered voter in Dekalb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Emily Stanley

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

I've been a proud registered voter in Dekalb county since 2012.

I'm writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

As the unnecessary reconciliation processes substantially threatens a counties' ability to certify election results before 100% of the votes can be counted. This will cripple the certification process giving voters great reason to doubt the results!

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to singlularly request and scrutinize various documents.

Such delays leaves room for magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

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Sincerely, DeAnna Parker

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Jennifer and I am a registered voter in Glynn county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Jennifer Gore

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Gwendolyn McCants-Allen and I am a registered voter in Gwinnett County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Gwendolyn McCants-Allen

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I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Buford Cummings Jr

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Sincerely, Rosalee Weissman

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Craig Meyer

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Anna Hamer and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to REJECT the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Anna Hamer

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Theo Alese

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Marisa Simmons and I am a registered voter in Dekalb county.

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Sincerely, Marisa Simmons

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Miranda Compton and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter in Rabun county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Miranda Compton From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Counting Ballots

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The voting process in any country is valuable. Protecting the value and integrity of any voting process should be of the utmost priority to each and everyone who has cast a vote. Counting votes by hand in today's computer age is not a negative process, but one of importance that shows that each and every vote cast is counted. I am asking for the Elections Board to help protect the value and integrity of voting process by passing the following petitions:

183-1-12-.12(a)(5) Sharlene Alexander

183-1-12-.12 Salliegh Grubbs

183-1-12-.12(e) Gail Lee

Thank you for your time, Keith Walker Tyrone, GA

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Perry Taylor and I am a registered voter in Fulton County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents. Allowing each individual Board member to micro manage the review process is not only unnecessary and may will lead to inconsistent and conflicting interpretation of data. Thereby leading to further erosion in the electoral process.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Perry Taylor

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_Anne Taetle\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_Fulton\_\_ county.

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Sincerely, Anne Taetle

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Dale Berryman and I am a registered voter in Paulding county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Dale Berryman From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** I urge the Board to approve of: Proposed rule 183-1-12-.12

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I am writing in support of proposed rule 183–1–12 – .12 and urge the board to approve it. Georgia code section 21–2–493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches, both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense. This type of reconciliation insures the bedrock principle of one person, one vote and helps guard against the certification of inaccurate results. Just like one balancing a checkbook, if the numbers do not match up, there has been some sort of error that needs to be identified and corrected before results are certified. The proposed rule would make it easy to identify and correct any such discrepancies. Failure to ensure accurate election results leads to distrust in our election system. It is vital that we the citizens of Georgia are able to trust the results of our primaries and elections, and the process outlined in the proposed rule is a key to achieving that goal. The state election board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that insure county boards elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections. To that end, I urge the board to give the final approval to proposed rule 183 - one - 12 - .12. Once again, I urge you the board, to give final approval to the proposed rule 183–1–12–.12. Thank you, Sincerely, **Ginny Bates** 

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 3:07:28 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Valene Petit and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Valene Petit

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 3:04:59 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Don Roylance and I am a registered voter in Paulding county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Don Roylance From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Rule 183-1-12-.12(e)

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 2:54:34 PM

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I respectfully ask the State Elections Board to vote YES for Rule 183-1-12-.12(e).

A reconciliation report of total ballots cast to total voters who voted is the only way to ensure a fair and honest election. No more stuffing ballot boxes.

Thank you, Barbara Seaman From: on behalf of <u>Dori Wofford</u>

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 2:54:02 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Dori Wofford and I am a registered voter in Fulton County since 1995.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Dori Wofford 
 From:
 SEB Public Comments

 Subject:
 Rule 183-1-12-.12(a)(5)

 Pate:
 Friday: August 16, 2024

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 2:51:14 PM

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I respectfully ask the State Elections Board to vote YES for Rule 183-1-12-.12(a)(5).

A hand count of total ballots in each precinct should be an available option to ensure that the election is fair and honest.

Thank you, Barbara Seaman From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Rule 183-1-12-.12

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 2:47:37 PM

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I respectfully ask the State Elections Board to vote YES for Rule 183-1-12-.12.

The County Board Certification rights to examine election returns needs to be enforced and used to ensure a fair election.

Thank you, Barbara Seaman 
 From:
 SEB Public Comments

 To:
 SEB Public Comments

 Subject:
 Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12

 Date:
 Friday, August 16, 2024 2:42:23 PM

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Folks,

Georgia Code Section 2I-2-493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense.

This type of reconciliation ensures the bedrock principle of one person, one vote and helps guard against the certification of inaccurate results. The proposed rule would make it easy to identify and correct any such discrepancies.

Failure to ensure accurate election results leads to distrust in our election system. That distrust has clearly risen in the state of Georgia over the past couple of election cycles. It is imperative that the citizens of Georgia trust the results of our election process. The process outlined in Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12 is essential to achieving that goal.

The State Election Board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that ensure county boards of elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections.

I strongly urge the Board to give final approval to Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12.

From:

SEB Public Comments

To: Subject:

SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 2:24:33 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Michael Dirse, and I am a Registered Voter. I live in Hall County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Michael Dirse From:
To:
SEB Public Comments
Subject:
Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12
Date:
Friday, August 16, 2024 2:22:53 PM

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To the Georgia State Elections Board:

I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to please approve it.

Georgia Code Section 2I-2-493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense.

The proposedRule for a reconciliation ensures the bedrock principle of one person, one vote and helps guard against the certification of inaccurate results. Just like we all have to do when balancing a checkbook, if the numbers do not match up, there has been some sort of error that needs to be identified and corrected before results are certified. The proposed rule would make it easy to identify and correct any such discrepancies.

Failure to ensure accurate election results leads to distrust in our election system. It is vital that we, the citizens of Georgia, are able to trust the results of our primaries and elections, and the process outlined in the proposed rule is a key to achieving that goal.

The State Election Board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that ensure county boards of elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections. To that end, I urge the Board to give final approval to Proposed Rule 183-1-12-12.

Thank you for all you do to secure the Georgia election process.

Best regards,

James Scandle

From:

**SEB Public Comments** 

To: Subject:

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Date:

Friday, August 16, 2024 2:17:54 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Tiffany Johnson and I am a registered voter in Forsyth county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Tiffany Johnson 
 From:
 SEB Public Comments

 To:
 SEB 183-1-12-.12

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 2:16:20 PM

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If Georgia wants her elections to have voting integrity, SEB 183-1-12-.12 should be passed without question or change.

It shows blatant disrespect for the sanctity of our election system when our counties follow inconsistent processes. And it is embarrassing for Georgia to be known as election riggers.

I urge you to pass SEB 183-1-12-.12.

Thank you. Joanna Himes

From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 2:02:50 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Donna Rosenmayer, and I am a registered voter in DeKalb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

This proposed rule is unreasonable because:

- 1. This rule significantly threatens individual counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.
- 2. The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results." It is not the role of individual board members to personally request and scrutinize various documents.
- 3. Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections -- especially so close to the upcoming election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rule-making record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Donna Rosenmayer

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 1:58:00 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Janis and I am a registered voter in Cobb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Janis LeMieux

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Date:

Friday, August 16, 2024 1:45:49 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Terry Ozell and I am a registered voter in Fulton County and have been for over 40 years.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Terry Ozell

To: SEB Public Comments; Cleta Mitchell, Esq.; Julie Adams

 Subject:
 Support for rule change 183-1-12-.12(e)

 Date:
 Friday, August 16, 2024 1:37:15 PM

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To whom it may concern,

Pure Integrity Michigan Elections supports the proposed rule change 183-1-12-.12(e). The county residents should know how well the county did when conducting its election. A reconciliation will also allow improvements in the process of conducting future elections. This is not a burdensome requirement and it will add benefit and visibility of elections.

For election integrity,

Patrice Johnson, chair MI Fair Elections

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 1:37:07 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Ellen Young and I am a registered voter in Gwinnett county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because it is unnecessary. This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, ELLEN YOUNG From:

To:

SEB Public Comments

Cc: Cleta Mitchell;

 Subject:
 Support for rule change 183-1-12-.12(e)

 Date:
 Friday, August 16, 2024 1:34:44 PM

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To whom it may concern,

Pure Integrity Michigan Elections supports the proposed rule change 183-1-12-.12(e). The county residents should know how well the county did when conducting its election. A reconciliation will also allow improvements in the process of conducting future elections. This is not a burdensome requirement and it will add benefit and visibility of elections.

Respectfully,

Patrice Johnson, chair
Pure Integrity Michigan Elections
<a href="https://www.pureintegritymichiganelections.org">https://www.pureintegritymichiganelections.org</a>

From:

To: SEB Public Comment:
Cc: Lawrie Demorest

Subject: Comment on Proposed Amendment to Rule 183-1-12-.12(a)(5)

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 1:27:06 PM

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To the State Election Board-

I write to express my concerns about the proposed amendment to Rule 183-1-12-.12(a)(5). As a frequent poll watcher in both Fulton and DeKalb Counties over several election cycles I am familiar with the procedures poll workers go through to ensure all ballots cast are counted. Having attended many county Board of Registration and Elections meetings I'm also familiar with cost and staffing issues. This proposed amendment negatively impacts security of the ballots (an issue this Board professes to be concerned about), is unnecessary and imposes a cost on the counties that is not budgeted for.

The proposal significantly reduces security because three additional people would now be regularly touching the actual ballots, creating opportunity for mishandling or loss. Additionally the ballots themselves show not only a QR code but a text version of which candidates the ballot was cast for. This would allow those counting the ballots to illegally track results. And unless every precinct has sufficient poll watchers at the time of night this will be happening, much of this human interaction with the ballots is unmonitored.

The proposal also adds to the potential for error because of the extra burden placed on poll workers who will be required to work many hours past already long shifts. I hope the Board members will consult with counties of various sizes, and with various sized precincts, about the time and manpower it would take to accomplish this hand count of every ballot before imposing such a burden on them.

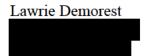
This new process would also delay the process of closing the polls and securing the ballots, and increases the risk of failing to meet the state-imposed 11:59 deadline to report.

To the extent this additional procedure is imposed on counties, it will add to the cost of elections by requiring additional personnel or adding to overtime requirements in order to accomplish this within the state-imposed deadline. It also risks losing experienced poll managers unwilling or unable to devote the even longer hours already required of them. The poll manager arrives very early each day to ready the precinct for voters, and has duties after the close of polls which already extends their day well into the evening. Again, I would hope this Board would consult with the professionals (poll managers) to inform itself of the burden it would be placing on these valuable workers.

Finally, this proposed rule is totally unnecessary. Based on my observations as a poll watcher, the procedures already in place require frequent comparison during the day among poll pad, BMD and scanner numbers. I have watched several precincts where the poll manager and his or her assistant independently count the numbers at each of these three locations, calling the numbers out loud on an hourly basis. **If all three numbers match a hand count is superfluous.** A hand count is already authorized if these three numbers are not matching. Additionally, the remedy if all poll pad, BMD and scanner numbers match but the hand count does not is vague, simply stating "the poll manager shall immediately determine the reason...".

The current rule requires the ballots to be immediately sealed into a dedicated envelope. If a discrepancy is later found the sealed bag will be available for counting at that time if necessary.

Please do your due diligence to inform yourselves of the practical consequences of instituting this rule before imposing it on our counties and election workers. I note that we are less than 60 days from the start of early voting, when these new procedures would be implemented, and the counties have already budgeted and are in the midst of staffing for the election.



To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 1:10:43 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

I am registered voter Benjamin Andrew Plant and have lived and voted in Georgia since 1988. I vote each time there is an election. I have never had a lack of confidence in the election results...until now. I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Drew Plant From: To:

SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 1:08:20 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Jane Sullivan and I am a registered voter in Fulton Country.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Jane Sullivan

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 1:05:41 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Janet Kishbaugh. I am a registered voter in Fulton county. I have been registered in Fulton County since 2000 and I vote in nearly every election. While I often see GOP state officials trying to minimize the ability of voters to register and vote, I have always trusted the certification of votes and the reported vote counts in Georgia.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Janet Kishbaugh From: To:

SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Janine Finnie From:

To: SEB Public Comment

**Subject:** Support of Election Integrity rule #183-1-12-.12(e), petition for a Reconciliation Report of Total Ballots Cast to

Total Voters who voted in each precinct.

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 12:53:20 PM

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**Dear State Election Board:** 

I am emailing in support of Election Integrity rule #183-1-12-.12(e), petition for a Reconciliation Report of Total Ballots Cast to Total Voters who voted in each precinct.

I have been a poll watcher in Fayette County GA since 2022. I believe that reconciling the total ballots cast to total voters is clearly a necessary component of guaranteeing fair and clean elections.

We all struggle at times to get our personal technology to function properly. Occasionally our phones/computers seem to have a mind of their own. This petition puts human beings back in the loop. As we have already been informed by CISA, our country's voting machines contain vulnerabilities that should be fixed, but are not going to be prior to the November election. And, yet again, at the most recent hackers convention, voting machines were hacked in record time.

These weaknesses in our voting systems must be reinforced by putting humans back into the process. This petition does exactly that.

Thank you for your service to our state.

Theresa E. Brown

Fayette County resident

SEB Public Comments

To:

Subject: Support of Election Integrity rule # 183-1-12-.12, Petition to enforce County Board Certification rights to examine

election records

Friday, August 16, 2024 12:52:14 PM Date:

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**Dear State Election Board:** 

I am emailing in support of Election Integrity rule # 183-1-12, Petition to enforce County Board Certification rights to examine election records

I have been a poll watcher in Fayette County GA since 2022. I believe that the certification function of county election boards is a crucial component in election board oversight of our elections. I do not believe that this function is merely a perfunctory ministerial role.

To assert that certification is ministerial and not actual confirmation of a clean election is the equivalent of saying that if good procedures are in place, a good outcome will necessarily follow. While we all hope that is true, such a position is pure folly. Human beings are flawed, they make mistakes and, yes, we sin. Because humans actually sometimes do bad things, our election oversight should reflect that possibility. The old phrase "Trust but verify," seems applicable here.

We should never give any opportunity for our elections to be undermined. The county board certification process should be a robust examination of evidence if needed.

Thank you for your service to our state.

Theresa E. Brown

Fayette County resident

From:
To:
SEB Public Comment

Subject: Support of Election Integrity rule # 183-1-12-.12(a)(5), Petition to do a Hand Count of Total Ballots at each

Precinct on Election Day.

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 12:51:08 PM

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**Dear State Election Board:** 

I am emailing in support of Election Integrity rule # 183-1-12-.12(a)(5), Petition to do a Hand Count of Total Ballots at each Precinct on Election Day.

I have been a poll watcher in Fayette County GA since 2022. I observed in real time the change from counting ballots at the precinct to merely stacking ballots neatly. I agree with the petitioner who proposed this rule that counting the number of ballots at the precinct is a crucial step in the chain of custody integrity. How can chain of custody be valid if one doesn't even know the details about what is in custody? Obviously, confirming the exact number of ballots being safeguarded is necessary.

As we all know technology is far from perfect, a hand count with three participants having their eyes on the actual ballots is far superior to just trusting what the computer says.

Thank you for your service to our state.

Theresa E. Brown

Fayette County resident

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 12:49:08 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Alison Ross From: To:

SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 12:46:35 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Sheldon Seidman and I am a registered voter Forsyth county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process. I find it hard to believe that in good conscience you feel this is in the best interests of the voters in Georgia. If your goal is destroy the confidence in our electoral process, then congratulations. You're well on your way.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Sheldon Seidman From: To:

**SEB Public Comments** 

Subject:

SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 12:45:09 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Cyrus Hancock and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Cobb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Cyrus Hancock

**SEB Public Comments** 

To: Subject:

SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

Date:

Friday, August 16, 2024 12:43:38 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_Kaffie McCullough\_ and I am a registered voter in \_\_\_Dekalb\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Katherine McCullough From: To:

SEB Public Comments

Subject: Date:

Four (4) Election Integrity Rules Friday, August 16, 2024 12:43:08 PM

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Dear Chairman Fervier,

## Dear Chairman Fervier,

As residents of the State of Georgia, we have <u>extreme</u> concerns about the integrity of our electronic voting machines, particularly in Fulton County, for the upcoming Presidential Election. As a result, we strongly encourage the passing of the following voting rules:

- [1] **183-1-12-.12(a)(5) -** Sharlene Alexander petition to do a Hand Count of Total Ballots at each Precinct on Election Day;
- [2] **183-1-12-.12 -** Salleigh Grubbs petition enforcing County Board Certification rights to examine election records;
- [3] **183-1-12-.12(e) -** Gail Lee petition for a Reconciliation Report of Total Ballots Cast to Total Voters who voted in each precinct.

In addition, we are in support of the **second rule Petition** introduced by Sharlene Alexander, to hand count the ballots submitted during Early Voting.

Thank you, Kevin and Ann Alberstadt

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 12:37:00 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Elizabeth Shackelford, and I am a poll worker in Dekalb county.

Please reject the petitions to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02.

The proposed rules are unreasonable because:

They will certainly delay counties' ability to certify election results, introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process - and that gives voters a reason to doubt the results. It appears the goal of these extra unnecessary procedures is to compromise certification.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". Election boards have ministerial duties, as outlined by the legislature. Adding this discretionary activity is against the law.

Insisting on these changes so close to the election reveals the true intentions of the rules, outlined by Donald Trump: to throw the election into disarray.

The SEB has no business being "bulldogs" of Trump; those members should resign immediately, and not lend credence to these attempts to swing the election to Trump.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Shackelford

**SEB Public Comments** 

To: Subject:

SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

Date:

Friday, August 16, 2024 12:31:32 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Gail Pullen and I am a registered voter in Cobb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Gail Pullen

SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 12:31:00 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Conola Steele and I am a registered voter in Fulton county who is deeply concerned about recent efforts by Republicans serving on the Georgia election board to further erode voting rights and potentially sabotage election results.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents. Additionally, Georgia law provides other avenues outside of the certification process to resolve allegations of error or fraud in election returns, including through the courts.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections. Further, doing so less than three months before the upcoming election could lead to needless confusion among voters and delays in the certification process. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

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Sincerely, Conola Steele

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 12:29:57 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Laurie Lanning and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

In addition, this is a rather blatant attempt to slow or disrupt the election process. We see you. We know what you're doing. Shame on you.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Laurie Lanning

**SEB Public Comments** 

To:

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

Date: Friday, August 16, 2024 12:28:01 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Peter Cohen and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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The world has always viewed our country as representing the democratic standard which other countries frequently seek to emulate. The proposed rule and its potential impact will tarnish our image worldwide at a tiem when democracy is uncer threat. Please do not proceed to implemen the proposed rule.

Sincerely, Peter Cohen From: To:

SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 12:26:21 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is David Condo and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, David Condo From:

To:

SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** Support

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 12:24:26 PM

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I was a poll watcher and see the value in hand counting votes. Please support the following measures

1] 183-1-12-.12(a)(5) .... Sharlene Alexander petition to do a Hand Count of Total Ballots at each Precinct on Election Day.

[2]] 183-1-12-.12 .... Salleigh Grubbs petition enforcing County Board Certification rights to examine election records

[3] 183-1-12-.12(e) Gail Lee petition for a Reconciliation Report of Total Ballots Cast to Total Voters who voted in each precinct.

JamesMichael Coley

Fayetteville Ga

Sent from Me

From:

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: Strongly Oppose: STATE ELECTIONS COMMISSION VOTE

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 12:24:13 PM

**EXTERNAL EMAIL:** Do not click any links or open any attachments unless you trust the sender and know the content is safe.

My name is Gil Williams and I am a retired Air Force Colonel and a former Republican candidate for State Senate in Georgia's 16th district. I reside in Fayette County.

If we are to win elections, we need to win fair and square and not by cheating other Georgia Citizens out of their right to a free and fair election.

No more efforts to steal elections or cheat. Please end this now!!!

I am strongly against the proposed election integrity rules as they reek of voter suppression.

I am against the following proposed rules.

1] 183-1-12-.12(a)(5) .... Sharlene Alexander petition to do a Hand Count of Total Ballots at each Precinct on Election Day [if you have counted the ballots before, please say that, how you felt about doing this and how much time you felt it took]

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[3] 183-1-12-.12(e) Gail Lee petition for a Reconciliation Report of Total Ballots Cast to Total Voters who voted in each precinct.

From: To:

SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 12:24:25 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Mary Condo and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Mary Condo

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 12:22:26 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Lily Mason, and I am a registered voter in Fulton county. I am also a student of Public Policy at Georgia Tech.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are. As distrust in our election system has become more widespread since the 2020 election, I believe that this rule change would be harmful.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Lily Mason From:

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: I support hand count in all our elections.

Date: Friday, August 16, 2024 12:02:32 PM

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I demand that we accept the petition to return to hand count the Ballots at each precinct. We expect honesty and this is an avenue to that end.

As John Quincy Adams said " Duty is ours, Results are God's"

As for the other 3 rules, I strongly agree and support them all.
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Pam Howland

 From:
 SEB Public Comments

 To:
 SEB Public Comments

 Subject:
 Support [3] 183-1-12-.12(e)

 Date:
 Friday, August 16, 2024 12:02:28 PM

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## Good Afternoon,

My name is Cathryn Wright of Peachtree City. I wanted to voice my strong support for a Reconciliation Report of Total Ballots Cast to Total Voters who voted in each precinct. This is crucial to election integrity for our county. Please support this petition!

Cathryn Wright

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 12:01:41 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Keith Herr and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

The politics of this rule are so obvious and egregious that they constitute an embarrassment to citizens of the State of Georgia. I stand for reason and reality.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Keith Herr 
 From:
 SEB Public Comments

 To:
 Support [2]] 183-1-12-.12

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 12:00:57 PM

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## Good Afternoon,

My name is Cathryn Wright of Peachtree City. I wanted to voice my strong support for the ability to examine election records. This is crucial to election integrity for our county. Please support this petition!

Cathryn Wright

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 11:53:50 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Evan Lesser

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 11:47:21 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

I'm a registered voter in Georgia and very concerned about recent Election Board decisions and new rules that can easily result in more harm than good. Specifically, I'm asking you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County Boards in the certification process.

This rule creates a process to delay certification by adding excessive work and tight schedules to County Board of Election offices. It's an unnecessary step. Interestingly, the only board members and voters who doubt election results are the ones who want valid results to go another way.

Your responsibility is to offer legitimate and necessary rules that solve problems, not ones that hinder the vote-counting process and cause chaos and more problems.

Please reject this rule.

Sincerely, Judy Grant

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 11:40:13 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Jackie Tucker

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 11:23:47 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Larry kurlander and I am a (registered voter in Fulton County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification

Following the 2020 election, Georgia stood as a beacon of democracy in upholding the will of the people who voted in the Presidential election. And it did this at great political cost. With this proposed change, Georgia politicians are threatening to join the ranks of the corrupt. There was not a scintilla of evidence that fraud was committed in 2020 election.

I am urging you to reject this proposed amendment.

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

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Sincerely, Larry Kurlander

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 11:19:08 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

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Sincerely, Merle Smith

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 11:16:17 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Avery Cooper Prudent and I am a registered voter in Fulton County. I have been registered to vote since 2017 and I exercise my right to vote when it is appropriate for where I live. I am a young voter but I am not a lethargic voter.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Avery Cooper From: To:

SEB Public Comments

Subject:

Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12

Date:

Friday, August 16, 2024 11:07:14 AM

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I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-12.12 and I urge the Board to approve it.

Georgia Code Section 21-2-493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense.

This type of reconciliation ensures the bedrock principle of one person, one vote and helps guard against the certification of inaccurate results. Just like balancing a checkbook, if the numbers do not match up, there has been some sort of error that needs to be identified and corrected before results can be certified. The proposed rule would make it easy to identify and correct any such discrepancies.

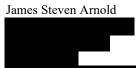
Failure to ensure accurate election results leads to distrust in our election system. It is vital that we, the citizens of Georgia, are able to trust the results of our primaries and elections, and the process outlined in the proposed rule is key to achieving that goal.

The State election Board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that ensure county boards of elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections. To that end, I urge the Board to give final approval to Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12.

Thank you,

James Steven Arnold

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To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 11:05:49 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Craig Pigg and I am a registered voter, in Fulton County. I have lived in Georgia since 1978 and have been registered to vote since 1973. I vote each time there is an election that is is applicable to the area I live in. Without fail. I have never had a lack of confidence in the election results. I see what you doing as a solution looking for a problem. Voter disenfranchisement though is real. It is real in this state as well as the rest of the country. There is no need for your solution looking for a problem.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Craig Pigg 
 From:
 SEB Public Comments

 To:
 SEB Public Comments

 Subject:
 Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12

 Date:
 Friday, August 16, 2024 11:03:58 AM

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Elections should be fair with every vote being counted and each person casting a single vote.

I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to approve it

Georgia Code Section 2I-2-493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense.

This type of reconciliation ensures the bedrock principle of one person, one vote and helps guard against the certification of inaccurate results. If the numbers do not match up, there has been some sort of error that needs to be identified and corrected before results are certified. The proposed rule would make it easy to identify and correct any such discrepancies.

Failure to ensure accurate election results leads to distrust in our election system. It is vital that we, the citizens of Georgia, are able to trust the results of our primaries and elections, and the process outlined in the proposed rule is a key to achieving that goal.

The State Election Board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that ensure county boards of elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections. To that end, I urge the Board to give final approval to Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12.

Respectfully, Shane Jones

Sent from my iPhone

From: To:

SEB Public Comments

Subject:

Proposed rule 183-1-12-.12

Date:

Friday, August 16, 2024 10:58:04 AM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: Do not click any links or open any attachments unless you trust the sender and know the content is safe.

Please approve proposed rule 183-1-12-.12 to protect Georgians from unfair election results.

Georgia Code Section 21-493(b) requires this. Plain fairness and honesty requires this.

The people of Georgia are counting on you.

Sterling Deeb

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 10:55:45 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

I am a registered voter in Georgia and have been since 2001. I care about every Georgian's right to have his/her vote counted and I disparage any attempt by political hacks appointed to the State Election Board to jeopardize my vote and that of others. Recent votes by this body to allow anyone, anywhere to muddle up the count an certification of voting in the November election reeks of partisan politics at its worse.

Although I have little hope that you all will actually do the right thing, I am writing today to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process. This is an unreasonable rule because it threatens all Georgia counties' ability to certify election results in a timely manner. The unnecessary reconciliation processes being proposed just gum up the works, slowing the certification process. This only seeks to cause voters to doubt the results of safe and secure elections. Secretary of State Raffensperger has shown that GA elections are safe. Stop trying to mess things up for blatantly political purposes.

It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents. These duties reside with individual county election boards and election office employees. I've been a poll worker, so I know first hand that our systems are safe. There is no need to erode public confidence in elections, particularly so close to the election.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Regina A Smith

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 10:54:35 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Christine Heller and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

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Sincerely, Christine Heller From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Changes to 183-1-12-.12

Date: Friday, August 16, 2024 10:48:11 AM

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Good morning,

I am a resident and registered voter in Cobb County, Georgia. I read the proposed changes to 183-1-12-.12 on your website. I do not agree with them and do not support the changes to the current rules and regulations. I think that the additional requirements will be burdensome and hinder the election process. The changes allow for too many gaps in the chain of custody creating the ability for individuals to either stall election results or to have inaccurate counts.

Please do not vote to approve these changes.

Thank you!

Elizabeth Vinyard

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 10:48:09 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Jeff Nagel and I am a registered voter in Fulton County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

The incidence of voter fraud has historically been negligible. This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Jeff Nagel From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Vote on rules changes

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 10:38:12 AM

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Dear Election Board members,

I support the following rules changes and ask that you vote to pass.

[1] 183-1-12-.12(a)(5) .... Sharlene Alexander petition to do a **Hand Count of Total Ballots at** each Precinct on Election Day

I support this 100% as an important safeguard to ensure every vote cast results in a ballot returned to the elections office. This is an important part of the chain of custody. Having a public count and a record of how many ballots are leaving the poll to the elections office is a safeguard against anyone with nefarious intentions.

I was an election poll worker for the three weeks of early voting and Election Day of the November 2020 election. During early voting we had up to 1000 voters a day at my polling location in Fayetteville. At the end of the day, the 8-10 poll workers counted the ballots to ensure the number of ballots we were turning into the elections office matched the numbers on the poll pads and the BMDs. There were two occasions where the ballots did not match the BMD/poll pad count after two counts. On one occasion we discovered one ballot left behind in the scanner. On the second, being new to the process, a voter had mistakenly walked out with his ballot. He came back with it 15 minutes after the polls closed while we were trying to reconcile.

Due to the large number of ballots each day, we did a count every day. This process took us less than 30 minutes and we were happy to do it!!!

[2]] 183-1-12-.12 .... Salleigh Grubbs petition enforcing **County Board Certification rights to** examine election records

[3] 183-1-12-.12(e) Gail Lee petition for a **Reconciliation Report of Total Ballots Cast to Total Voters who voted in each precinct.** 

Angela Bean Fayetteville, Georgia

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 10:38:07 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Linda Reisman and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Linda Reisman From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Proposed rule 183-1-12-.12

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 10:37:45 AM

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I am writing concerning the proposed rule 183-1-12-.12. This is common sense and I urge the Board to approve it to insure voter integrity.

Lillian Albritton

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone Get <u>Outlook for Android</u> 
 From:
 SEB Public Comments

 To:
 SEB Public Comments

 Subject:
 Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12

 Date:
 Friday, August 16, 2024 10:33:33 AM

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I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to approve it.

Georgia Code Section 2I-2-493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense.

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Thank you.

Linda Morris Cobb County, GA From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** Re: proposed rule 183-1-12-.12 **Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 10:33:00 AM

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From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Rule 183-1-12-.12

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 10:30:39 AM

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I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to approve it.

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To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 10:10:50 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Elaine Blumenthal and I am a registered voter in Cobb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Elaine BLUMENTHAL

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 10:05:32 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Steffi Beigh

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 9:55:14 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Cyd Williams and I am a registered voter in Cobb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:it serves no purpose but to delay the election results in Georgia. I am also concerned that the current board members do not truly represent an impartial stance.

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Cyd Williams From: To:

SEB Public Comments

Subject: Date: Tabulating Results 183-1-12-.12 Friday, August 16, 2024 9:48:08 AM

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To whom it may concern:

My name is Ron Heuer, the President of the Wisconsin Voter Alliance (WVA). WVA has been involved in the election integrity arena for the past four years and have learned our election system in general is not being properly managed in many states.

On behalf of WVA and our members, we support the proposed rule 183-1-12-.12, which outlines a standard procedure for reconciling voters to ballots before the certification of election results. It is imperative this rule is in place to ensure that our elections are conducted with the utmost accuracy and integrity.

Ron Heuer President, WVA From:

To:

SEB Public Comments

Subject: Support of Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12

Date: Friday, August 16, 2024 9:30:43 AM

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I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to approve it. The reason many of the younger generation are not voting is that they don't trust that their vote will be counted correctly. This rule would help in convincing them otherwise.

Georgia Code Section 2I-2-493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense.

This type of reconciliation ensures the bedrock principle of one person, one vote and helps guard against the certification of inaccurate results. Just like when balancing a checkbook, if the numbers do not match up, there has been some sort of error that needs to be identified and corrected before results are certified. The proposed rule would make it easy to identify and correct any such discrepancies.

Failure to ensure accurate election results leads to distrust in our election system. It is vital that we, the citizens of Georgia, are able to trust the results of our primaries and elections, and the process outlined in the proposed rule is a key to achieving that goal.

The State Election Board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that ensure county boards of elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections. To that end, I urge the Board to give final approval to Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12.

 From:
 SEB Public Comments

 To:
 SEB Public Comments

 Subject:
 Rule 183-1-12-.12

Date: Friday, August 16, 2024 9:28:55 AM

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Dear Board members, I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to approve it.

Georgia Code Section 2I-2-493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense.

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Sincerely, Vincent M. Cox III

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 9:27:55 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_Barbara Gerry \_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ Clarkecounty.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Barbara Gerry From:
To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: Support of Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12
Date: Friday, August 16, 2024 9:26:28 AM

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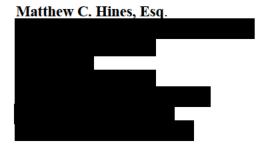
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**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 9:25:49 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Ellen Fenoglio and I am a registered voter in Fulton County. I have voted in all elections, primary and general since I was ol age and I hold this right to vote to be a cornerstone of our country. I firmly believe that election details such as the one proposed in this rule change be handled by those with the experience, knowledge and who are fairminded. In that light, Secretary of State Brad Raffensberger has voiced his opposition to this change and I defer to his professional opinion.

In light of that, I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Ellen Fenoglio

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 9:07:50 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Barbara Cohen and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Barbara Cohen From:

To:

SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** PLEASE SUPPORT & APPROVE RULE 183-1-12-.1

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 9:04:55 AM

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## To Whom it May Concern:

We support Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and urge the Board to approve it.

Georgia Code Section 2I-2-493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This could not be more common sense! I mean, if <u>you have more ballots than voters</u>, how should that be allowed?

This reconciliation is like balancing our checkbooks, right? ...and as far as our vote is concerned it ensures the bedrock principle of one person, one vote and helps protect <u>against</u> the certification of inaccurate results. If the numbers do not match up, there's an error somewhere that needs to be identified and corrected before results are certified. The proposed rule would make it easy to identify and correct any such discrepancies.

It is vital that we, the citizens of Georgia, <u>are able to trust the results of our primaries and elections!!!!</u> ....and that trust is waning as of late.....the process outlined in the proposed rule is a key to achieving that goal.

The State Election Board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that ensure county boards of elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections. I urge the Board to approve to Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12.....for the sake of our State & Republic!

With Much Appreciation! Ken & Catherine Farris From:

To:
SEB Public Comments

Subject:
Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12

Date:
Friday, August 16, 2024 9:01:49 AM

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I am writing to request that the Election Board pass this rule. Georgia Code section 21-2-493(b), requires that voter totals are reconciled. The number of voters + number of ballots = total votes. The proposed rule provides for a reconciliation process when these numbers do not match. As a voter in Georgia, I deserve to know that my voice is heard. After the debacle of 2020, all loopholes must be closed to ensure voter and election integrity. This safeguard must be put into place. Pass 183-1-12-.12

Sent from my iPad

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 8:57:47 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Karen Covi and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Athens-Clarke county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Karen Covi

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 8:57:31 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Rina Rosenberg and I am a registered voter in Dekalb county.

In the interest of assuring safe, legal, and prompt vote counting in our state, I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Rina Rosenberg

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 8:53:39 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Barbara Joye and I am a registered voter in DeKalb County GA,

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Mark Bussey and I am a registered and very regular voter in Dekalb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Mark Bussey

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 8:44:44 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Lucia and I am a newly registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Lucia Diaz-French

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 8:44:00 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Erika Gonzalez and I am a registered voter in Dekalb county.

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Sincerely, Erika Gonzalez

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 8:42:04 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Howard Berkowitz and I am a registered voter) in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Howard Berkowitz

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Lida Bayne and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Lida Bayne

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

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The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Abbie Fuksman 
 From:
 SEB Public Comments

 Subject:
 Proposed rule 183-1-12-12

 Date:
 Friday, August 16, 2024 8:30:37 AM

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I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to approve it.

Georgia Code Section 2I-2-493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense.

This type of reconciliation ensures the bedrock principle of one person, one vote and helps guard against the certification of inaccurate results. Just like when balancing a checkbook, if the numbers do not match up, there has been some sort of error that needs to be identified and corrected before results are certified. The proposed rule would make it easy to identify and correct any such discrepancies.

Failure to ensure accurate election results leads to distrust in our election system. It is vital that we, the citizens of Georgia, are able to trust the results of our primaries and elections, and the process outlined in the proposed rule is a key to achieving that goal.

The State Election Board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that ensure county boards of elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections. To that end, I urge the Board to give final approval to Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12.

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

Date: Friday, August 16, 2024 8:28:47 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is \_Sarah Patterson\_\_\_ and I am a registered voter and active 85 year old.

I am writing to urge you to reject the various requests to add more layers to the certification process.

Voting in Georgia is safe and secure. There has been no proof of voter fraud despite many attempts to show it.

Please deny any attempt to make the certification process more complicated. Deny any attempt to delay the certification process.

Sincerely, Sarah Patterson

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 8:28:39 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Joyce Cotter and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, joyce cotter

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 8:27:50 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Lynn \_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Chatham county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Lynn Goodman

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 8:26:47 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is sari marmur and I am a registered voter, in Fulton County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Sari Marmur

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 8:24:02 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Kathleen Walker\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Glynn county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Kathleen Walker

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 8:22:07 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Nancy Combs and I am a registered voter, in Lumpkin county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Nancy Combs

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 8:20:41 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Susan Berk and I am a registered voterplease choose the option that applies: registered voter, in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Susan Berkowitz

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 8:18:38 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Joyce Bihary and I am a registered voter in DeKalb County. I have lived in Georgia since 1975.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule threatens the ability of the counties to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This seems intended to slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. We need to have county officials count the votes and certify the results and not interject their own biases into this time honored tradition of simply counting and certifying the votes impartially. Please do not allow this rule to govern, as it will most certainly create doubt and distrust of the system.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents. This is the role of the courts if there is a bona fide challenge.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election reflects badly on the Board and the State as a whole. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are. Counting the votes should be an impartial and non-partisan act and I urge you all to think carefully about the unworkable and unnecessary process you are putting in motion.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Joyce Bihary

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 8:19:36 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Susan Hunt\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Lumpkin county

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Susan Hunt

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 8:18:36 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Anne and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Anne Isenhower

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 8:16:00 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Laura LaTourette and I am a registered voter in Lumpkin county. I have been a citizen living in Georgia since 1986 and have been a business leader, homeowner, volunteer in my community, parent and strong advocate for

keeping things equal and fair for all citizens. I expect our citizens who work in the area of voting to stay neutral and do their job with ethics like they did in the last presidential election. I was very proud of our state.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Laura LaTourette

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 8:11:10 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Laura Kurlander-Nagel and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because the votes allow discretion into the election process which is unconstitutional. In addition, this rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters. Furthermore, the proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Laura Kurlander-Nagel

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 8:02:01 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Dana and I am a registered voter in Hall county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Dana Griffith 
 From:
 SEB Public Comments

 To:
 SEB Public Comments

 Subject:
 Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12

 Date:
 Friday, August 16, 2024 8:00:54 AM

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I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-12-,12 and I urge the Board to approve it.

This type of reconciliation ensures the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is just common sense and will provide election integrity.

Linda Burns citizen of Coweta County, GA

From:

SEB Public Comments

Subject: Proposed Rule 183-1-12-,12

Date: Friday, August 16, 2024 8:00:54 AM

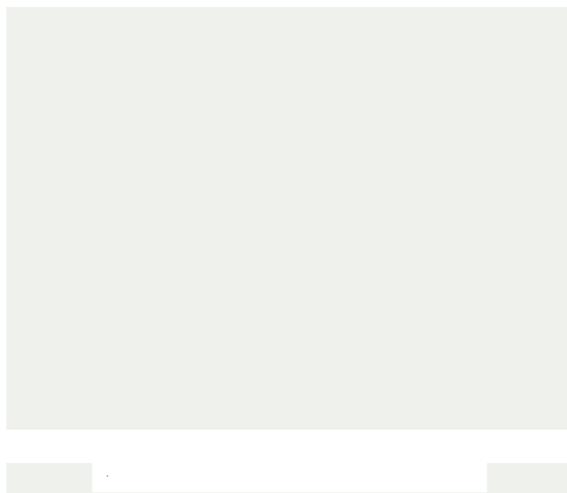
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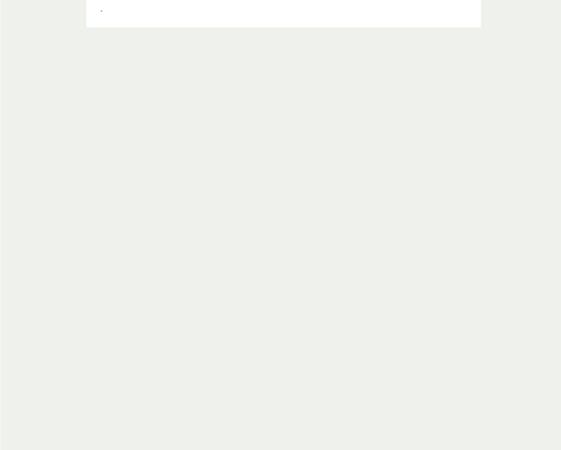
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## Linda Burns

ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense.





 From:
 SEB Public Comments

 Subject:
 Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12

 Date:
 Friday, August 16, 2024 7:44:16 AM

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Failure to ensure accurate election results leads to distrust in our election system. It is vital that we, the citizens of Georgia, are able to trust the results of our primaries and elections, and the process outlined in the proposed rule is a key to achieving that goal.

The State Election Board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that ensure county boards of elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections. To that end, I urge the Board to give final approval to Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12.

Sent from my iPhone

From:

SEB Public Comments

To:

Re: Comment Regarding Notice of Rulemaking to Amend Subject 183-1-12-.12 (defining "Election Certification")

Subject: Date:

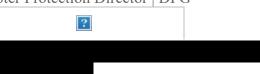
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Good morning, can you please confirm receipt of the below email sent on August 5?

## Cecilia Ugarte Baldwin

Voter Protection Director | DPG



On Mon, Aug 5, 2024 at 11:05 AM Cecilia Ugarte Baldwin wrote:

Good morning,

Attached you will find the Democratic Party of Georgia's comment regarding notice of rulemaking to amend subject 183-1-12-.12 (defining "Election Certification") and associated Exhibits.

Should you have any issues accessing the attached files, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Cecilia Ugarte Baldwin

Cecilia Ugarte Baldwin

Voter Protection Director | DPG



To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 7:33:25 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Jeff Willard

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 7:33:21 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

I am Linda Rubinstein,

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Linda Rubinstein From:
To:
SEB Public Comments
Approve 183-1-12-12

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 7:20:48 AM

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I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to approve it.

Georgia Code Section 2I-2-493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense.

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From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Approve 183-1-12-.12

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To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 7:15:59 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Jenny Mittelman and I am a voter in Dekalb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable and dangerous.

This rule significantly threatens a county's ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters. It is calculated to engender mistrust and gives the boards permission to engage in antidemocratic acts.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule erodes public confidence in elections. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, I request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and include its reason for overruling the consideration as required by statute.

Sincerely, Jenny Mittelman

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 7:08:31 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is kate and I am a: registered voter, in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Kate Lipton

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 7:03:15 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Sarah Gomel and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process. This rule change is neither needed nor wanted.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Sarah Gomel

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Alan Arnold

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 6:48:14 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Rabbi Rachael Bregman and I am a registered voter in Glynn county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Rachael Bregman 
 From:
 SEB Public Comments

 Subject:
 Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12

 Date:
 Friday, August 16, 2024 6:36:44 AM

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State Election Board Members.

I am writing in SUPPORT of Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12, and I urge the Board to APPROVE it.

Georgia Code Section 21-2-493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense.

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Sincerely,

Cathy Powers

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To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 6:18:08 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Scott and I am a registered voter in Pickens county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

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Sincerely, Scott Warren

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 6:00:10 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Joanne Cyrgalis and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Cobb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Joanne Cyrgalis

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 5:38:26 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Heather Smith and I am a registered voter in Harris County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Heather Smith

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_Elizabeth Ambler and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_Dekalb\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Elizabeth Ambler 
 From:
 SEB Public Comments

 To:
 SEB Public Comments

 Subject:
 Proposed Rule 183-1-12.-12

 Date:
 Friday, August 16, 2024 4:56:50 AM

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I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to approve it

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Lillian Colleran

Richmond Hill, GA

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 4:51:31 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Cheryl Bentley, and I am a registered voter in Clayton County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Cheryl Bentley

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 4:00:25 AM

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My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in county.

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Sincerely, Brooke Rappoport

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 12:49:57 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Renee Videlefsky and I am a registered voter in Gwinnett county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Renee Videlefsky From:

To: SEB Public Comments

 Subject:
 My comment for Rule 183-1-12.12

 Date:
 Friday, August 16, 2024 1:22:43 AM

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Hello.

I'm a Georgia resident and I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to approve it.

IF WE DON'T SECURE OUR ELECTIONS WE WILL BECOME A COMMUNIST COUNTRY, WE ARE JUST ON THE CUSP NOW, PLEASE DO NOT LET THIS SLIDE!

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Warm wishes, Deanna Rashell



To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 12:48:42 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Robin Zusmann and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2024 12:04:42 AM

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Sincerely, bernardo alayza mujica

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:52:25 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Judith Taylor and I am a registered voter in Fulton County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Judith Taylor

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:48:00 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Lee Smith and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

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Sincerely, Lee Smith From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** Please Approve Proposed Revisions to Rule 183-1-12-.12

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:41:17 PM

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On behalf of myself and family, we ask that the Board give final approval to Proposed Revisions to Rule 183-1-12-.12. Per O.C.G.A. §2I-2-493(b), §2I-2-493(i), and common sense, reconciliation must be made of the vote cast numbers including all methods of voting to match the number of ballots and the total number of votes in order to prevent certification of inaccurate results and have faith lost in our elections. The Board's proposed rule just implements the Georgia code provisions, would facilitate identification and correction of discrepancies, and would provide a way to legally and justly determine votes only in the case of uncorrectable errors, all to ensure accurate election results that Georgia citizens deserve. The Board's duty is to guard voting and prevent the certification of inaccurate results. Please do not bow to those against the Board fulfilling its common sense and statutory duties. David B. Manley III

Sent from my iPhone or iPad

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:30:58 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Marsha Atkins and I am a registered voter and regular poll watcher in Floyd county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Marsha Atkins

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:18:02 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Jodi Mansbach From:
To: SEB Public Comments

 Subject:
 Support for Petition 183-1-12-.12(a)

 Date:
 Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:15:29 PM

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August 15, 2024

Georgia State Election Board SEBPublicComments@sos.ga.gov

Dear Georgia State Election Board (comprised of Mr. John Fervier, Ms. Sara Tindall Ghazal, Mr. Rick Jeffares, Dr. Janice Johnston, Ms. Janelle King)

I would like to submit my SUPPORT for Petition 183-1-12-.12(a) presented to you on July 9, 2024 by Ms. Sharlene Alexander to hand count total ballots at each precinct on election day.

I was a poll worker for two years post Covid. We hand counted the total ballots at each precinct on election day. We did it, no questions asked, because it was a part of the process. Picture this: After the poll closes, the ballot/scanner box is opened and the ballots pulled out. Whether you intend to count them or not, poll workers(s) have to take those ballots, straighten, jog, tack, and pack them into stackable sections so they can be squeezed into an 8.5 x 11 document sized plastic shipping-type mailer(s) provided for ballots to be submitted in. Once they are nicely stacked, just have three people start counting and bundle them in 50's (my current record is 500 in 6 to 7 minutes) after the third count. It is a simple checkpoint feature to support the electronic data reported and submitted with all other poll-closing documentation. Why did we ever stop doing it??????

Election integrity is a non-partisan issue. All voters should want free and fair elections. Push-back against a simple checkpoint makes no sense as electronic systems are hacked/breached daily. Please support this petition for voter confidence in Georgia's election process.

Respectfully,

Brenda Mashburn

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:14:23 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Bryan Christian and I am a registered voter in Bronx county of the state of New York and supporter of the ACLU.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of Georgia's county boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

In closing, please don't make any new rules that delays the election results in Georgia and don't make any new rules that make it difficult for the citizens of Georgia to exercise their right to vote.

Sincerely, Bryan Christian

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:10:42 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Carolyn Hausman and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

I am outraged and urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is outrageous and undemocratic because it significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted.

This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and does so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Carolyn Hausman From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12

Date: Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:58:15 PM

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## Dear Sir/Madam:

I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to approve it.

Georgia Code Section 2I-2-493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense.

This type of reconciliation ensures the bedrock principle of one person, one vote and helps guard against the certification of inaccurate results. Just like when balancing a checkbook, if the numbers do not match up, there has been some sort of error that needs to be identified and corrected before results are certified. The proposed rule would make it easy to identify and correct any such discrepancies.

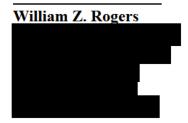
Failure to ensure accurate election results leads to distrust in our election system. It is vital that we, the citizens of Georgia, are able to trust the results of our primaries and elections, and the process outlined in the proposed rule is a key to achieving that goal.

The State Election Board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that ensure county boards of elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections. To that end, I urge the Board to give final approval to Proposed Rule 183-1-12-12.

Thank you for your consideration of my views on this important matter.

Sincerely yours,

William Z Rogers



To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:53:32 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Marguerite Casey and I am a registered voter in DeKalb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Marguerite Casey

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:47:17 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Robyn Holm and I am a registered voter in Forsyth county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Robyn Holm

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:45:08 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Carey Hutchins

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:35:26 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Tomas M and I am a voter in Paulding county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Reject it!!!

**FAAFO** 

Concerned Georgia Voter

Sincerely, Tomas M

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:26:48 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Alisha Nickols

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:16:53 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_Eugene Harvey\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_Douglas\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Eugene Harvey

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:12:58 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Floyd B Crosby 
 From:
 SEB Public Comment

 Subject:
 SB 183-1-12-12

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:12:03 PM

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I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to approve it.

Georgia Code Section 2I-2-493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense.

This type of reconciliation ensures the bedrock principle of one person, one vote and helps guard against the certification of inaccurate results. Just like when balancing a checkbook, if the numbers do not match up, there has been some sort of error that needs to be identified and corrected before results are certified. The proposed rule would make it easy to identify and correct any such discrepancies.

Failure to ensure accurate election results leads to distrust in our election system. It is vital that we, the citizens of Georgia, are able to trust the results of our primaries and elections, and the process outlined in the proposed rule is a key to achieving that goal.

The State Election Board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that ensure county boards of elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections. To that end, I urge the Board to give final approval to Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12.

## Scott Lawrence, Sr.



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To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:07:59 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_Kimberly Harmon\_\_ and I am a registered voter, in WARE county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Kimberly Harmon

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:06:53 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_Laurie Asher\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_dekalb \_\_\_county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Laurie Asher

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:06:51 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_liz\_templeton\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, in \_\_fulton\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Elizabeth Templeton

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:06:38 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Mark Karell and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Mark Karell

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:06:24 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_Wendy Kaufman \_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter,) in Fulton\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Wendy Kaufman

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:05:01 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Kathleen Collomb and I'm a long-time registered voter in DeKalb County.

I'm urging you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed petition is extremely unreasonable.

I am very concerned that this petition to revise 183-1-12-02 significantly threatens Georgia counties' ability to certify election results by adding new unnecessary reconciliation processes, BEFORE all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process - or is that the point? Is the aim to sow voter doubt about the results? Is the point to increase voter mistrust in our election process?

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

There is absolutely no reason to implement such a rule so close to our election other than to sow doubt and mistrust by the electorate in our election processes - which have been proven over and over again to be safe and sound and secure.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I strongly request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

As a concerned and voting citizen of Georgia, our elections must be protected. Our election process must be open and transparent. And the Georgia State Election Board must perform its duties within a huge circle of sunshine so that all Georgia citizens are aware of your role and what is, and is not, reasonable, ethical and transparent.

Sincerely, Kathleen Collomb 
 From:
 SEB Public Comments

 Subject:
 Rule 183-1-12-.12(e)

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:02:44 PM

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## To Whom It May Concern:

I'm writing in support of the subject petition by Gail Lee for a Reconciliation Report of Total Ballots Cast to Total Voters who vote in each Precinct. A system of checks and balances is necessary to ensure integrity and accuracy; this report would be extremely beneficial in the voting process. I receive a bank statement every month, but I don't just blindly accept all the information on it without verifying it myself – check and balance. Sadly, I believe my county had discrepancies in number of votes cast being higher than the number of eligible voters in some Precincts in a recent election. There simply must be a strong system in place to ensure that the ballots cast are cast only by those eligible to vote.

Thank you for your time.

Pat Earnest Fayette County, GA

"Give thanks in all circumstances." 1 Thess. 5:18

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 9:51:48 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Lynn Mandelbaum and I am a registered voter in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Lynn Mandelbaum From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Rule 183-1-12-.12

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 9:47:08 PM

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## To Whom It May Concern:

I'm writing in support of Salleigh Grubbs petition enforcing County Board Certification rights to examine election records. This should not be a controversial action. Reconciliation ensures one person, one vote. I urge you to give this a favorable vote.

Thank you for your time.

Pat Earnest Fayette County, GA

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 9:44:49 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Barbara Wexler and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because it is an unnecessary step in the certification process.

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Barbara Wexler 
 From:
 SEB Public Comments

 Subject:
 Rule 183-1-12-.12(a)(5)

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 9:40:57 PM

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I'm writing in support of the above identified petition submitted by Sharlene Alexander regarding doing a hand count of total ballots at each Precinct on Election Day. I'm a poll worker in Fayette County. When I initially became a poll worker, we did count the ballots by hand at our Precincts. Even for a Presidential election, it didn't take that long, because we had several pool workers available. It's been proven recently that the Dominion voting machines may be hacked, thus corrupting the number of votes cast. The best way to ensure an accurate count is to do it by hand. I've done it before and will be happy to do it again.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Pat Earnest Fayette County, GA

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To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 9:39:03 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

I am a registered voter in DeKalb County. I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections, magnifying unsubstantiated rumors, and delaying results from precincts under investigation. It amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are. In addition, this is too close to the election to make such a change.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rule making record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, I request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Paula Bosworth

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 9:37:52 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Dr Diane Brack Evans

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 9:35:47 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Christianna Huber and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Christianna Huber

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 9:34:21 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Jane Diamond and I am a registered voter in Fulton County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Jane Diamond

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 9:32:40 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Mara Levitt and I have been a voter and volunteer poll watcher for the past six years in Atlanta.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Mara Levitt

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 9:32:05 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Rosalyn Bush and I am a registered in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Rosalyn Bush

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 9:31:51 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Anne Allen and I a registered voter, Election Board Member in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Anne Allen

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 9:27:58 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is sheila cohen and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Sheila Cohen

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 9:27:37 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Frances Segars\_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter in \_Fulton\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters more reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters. We do not need to go down rabbit-holes in certifying the vote.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Fran Segars

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 9:25:37 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Holly Sternberg

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 9:24:43 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Sheila Malloy and I am a registered voter, in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Sheila F Malloy

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are. Quit trying to change the rules merely to give an advantage to your party in the upcoming elections. Don't make our election like those held in Russia, Turkiye, or Venezuela!

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, William Watts

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 9:21:54 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Dr. Bola and I am a registered voter.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely,

Dr. Bola Tilghman

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 9:16:32 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Edward Sugarman and I am a registered voter in Fulton County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because it is unneeded and unwanted.

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Edward Sugarman

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 9:13:49 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Beth Sugarman and I am a registered voter in Fulton County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because it is not needed or wanted and will negatively affect the upcoming election.

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Beth Sugarman

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Mindy Binderman and I am a registered voter in Fulton County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Mindy Binderman

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 9:09:38 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Myron Smith and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Myron Smith

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 9:05:10 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

I am a registered voter in Fulton County, Georgia and ask that to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Sari Earl

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 9:06:47 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Jill Petigara and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Jill Petigara From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Please Vote Yes

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 9:04:31 PM

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To the Georgia State Election Board (SEB):

On Monday, August 19, please vote "yes" for the following proposed rules:

[1] 183-1-12-.12(a)(5) Sharlene Alexander petition to do a **Hand Count of Total Ballots at each**Precinct on Election Day

[2]] 183-1-12-.12 . Salleigh Grubbs petition enforcing **County Board Certification rights to examine election records** 

[3] 183-1-12-.12(e) Gail Lee petition for a **Reconciliation Report of Total Ballots Cast to Total Voters who voted in each precinct**.

It is important to pass these rules to insure more election transparency in Georgia.

Thank you for your "yes" votes!

## **Cathy Vaught**

It is the Lord God you must follow and Him you must revere. Deut. 13:4

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 9:01:37 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_Gail Tescher\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Gail Tescher

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 8:55:52 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Jordan and I am a registered voter in Forsyth county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Jordan FRECHTMAN

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 8:47:49 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is \_\_\_marguerite\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Marguerite Boyens

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 8:35:07 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Mary Lorenz and I am a registered voter in Cherokee county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Mary Lorenz

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 8:27:34 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Clare Millians\_ and I am a registered voter (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Cobb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Our elections have been free and fair. Three recounts in 2020 didn't change the election results. Why is Georgia trying to add additional roadblocks to election reporting just to pacify one man who can't accept that he lost? We have wasted enough taxpayer money and time to placate him. The people in his party who won their elections aren't disputing the outcome of their race. As an American, taxpayer and citizen of Georgia who loves her country, I want this nonsense to stop. We need honesty and integrity.

Sincerely, Clare Millians

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 8:27:19 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Sharon Purcel and I am a : registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Sharon Purcel

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 8:24:31 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Gabriela Siegel and I am a registered voter in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Gabriela Siegel

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 8:21:23 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Sarah Covert and I am a registered voter in Athens-Clarke county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Sarah Covert

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Dear State Election	ion Board Public Comment,
My name is Georgia .	_ Clare and I am a registered voter in Fulton county, Atlanta
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on behalf of

From:

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Sincerely, Clare Goldfarb

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is and I am a registered voter, in HALL county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Julie Carlisle

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 8:16:51 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Clare Schexnyder and I am a registered voter in DeKalb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Clare Schexnyder

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 8:07:23 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Deborah Wexler\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voterl in \_\_Fulton\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely,
Deborah WEXLER

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 8:01:00 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Lauren Wagner and I am a registered voter as well as an election clerk (and have served as an assistant manager in an election precinct) in Bibb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

There is a large amount of paperwork created in each precinct during the day of the election. If every board member requested to evaluate each piece of paperwork prior to certification of each precinct, the results would never be turned in on time. Also, the amount of explanation by the manager and assistant managers needed for the board to understand the paperwork would also delay the results. Each county trains workers. Assistant managers, and managers on how to conduct the election appropriately and in coordination with the law. There is no need for the board to review the paperwork prior to certification.

Sincerely, Lauren Wagner

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 8:00:23 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Juanita E Buckner

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 7:57:58 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Diana Silverman and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Diana Silverman

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 7:57:30 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents. We do not either need or want this rule added to the election rules.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Barbara Scheer-Eason

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 7:55:46 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Gwen Goldfarb and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Gwen Goldfarb

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 7:53:06 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Brittany and I am a registered voter in Fulton county. First of all this Board is now running wild creating rules they have no right to create because it is outside their work scope. I also do not appreciate the clear partisan activities taking place with the Board getting a shoutout from Trump. This Board is running wild doing whatever and we do not appreciate it at all.

I am also writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

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Sincerely, Brittany Burns

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 7:50:10 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Ian Jackson

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 7:47:11 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_Sally\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_Dekalb\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Sally Pinsker

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 7:44:51 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Rebecca Zimmerman and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Rebecca Zimmerman

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 7:44:33 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Betsy Fleisig and I am a registered voter in Cobb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Betsy Fleisig

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 7:42:57 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Jane Fishman and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Cobb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Jane Fishman

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 7:42:32 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Robin Hyman

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 7:37:27 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Michelle Simmons and I am a registered voter, in Douglas County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Michelle Simmons From:

To:

SEB Public Comments

Subject: add your support to the Rule 183-1-12-.12

Date: Thursday, August 15, 2024 7:37:13 PM

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Alex Garcia

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 7:32:35 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_Ruth\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_DeKalb\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Ruth Goldstein From:
To:
SEB Public Comments

Subject: Support Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12

Date: Thursday, August 15, 2024 7:31:17 PM

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I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to approve it

Georgia Code Section 2I-2-493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense.

This type of reconciliation ensures the bedrock principle of one person, one vote and helps guard against the certification of inaccurate results. Just like when balancing a checkbook, if the numbers do not match up, there has been some sort of error that needs to be identified and corrected before results are certified. The proposed rule would make it easy to identify and correct any such discrepancies.

Failure to ensure accurate election results leads to distrust in our election system. It is vital that we, the citizens of Georgia, are able to trust the results of our primaries and elections, and the process outlined in the proposed rule is a key to achieving that goal.

The State Election Board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that ensure county boards of elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections. To that end, I urge the Board to give final approval to Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12.

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 7:29:08 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name's Wendy and I am a registered voter in Gwinnett county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Wendy May

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 7:26:33 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Antoinette Smith

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 7:24:43 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_Roslyn Metchis\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter in \_\_\_\_\_DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Roslyn Metchis

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Jeanette and I am a voter in Fulton county.

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Sincerely, Jeanette Winsor

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Laurie Botstein and I am a registered voter, in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Laurie Botstein From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12

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I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12 and I urge the Board t approve it! This reconciliation of voters to ballots and votes is of utmost importance to ensure election integrity! Sincerely,

Alice Bligh

Sent from my iPhone

 From:
 SEB Public Comments

 To:
 SEB Public Comments

 Subject:
 Porposed Rule 183-1-12.12

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 7:06:47 PM

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Gentlemen:

I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to approve it.

Georgia Code Section 2I-2-493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense.

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The State Election Board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that ensure county boards of elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections. To that end, I urge the Board to give final approval to Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12.

Thank you for your immediate consideration.

Ron & Linda Brown

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 6:57:35 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Henry Kahn, and I have been registered voter for 52 years in Fulton county.

I am upset by the possibility that further tinkering by the SEB might result in needless, dangerous delays in certifying our sacred election results. I urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Henry Kahn

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 6:56:01 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_Niclki Gram\_\_ and I am a (the option that applies: registeredrevotrr voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_Forsyth\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Niccoletta Gram From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Cc:

Subject: Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12.

Date: Thursday, August 15, 2024 6:53:56 PM

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Thank You, Randal Tebeau

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Sherrill Gary

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

I am registered voter in Clarke County.

Please reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 — involving the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule would:

- Threaten counties' ability to certify election results.
- Slow the certification process.
- Cause voters a reason to doubt the results and decrease voters' confidence in election integrity.
- Change rule language to, "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation ...."
  This is NOT the role of board members..

Implementing such a rule risks incites confusion and could erode public confidence in election process — no matter how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute."

Sincerely, Laura Driscoll 
 From:
 SEB Public Comments

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 SEB Public Comments

 Subject:
 Propsed Rule 183-1-12=12

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I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to approve it

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The State Election Board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that ensure county boards of elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections. To that end, I urge the Board to give final approval to Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12.

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Marc Bennett and I am a registered voter in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Marc Bennett

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Sarah Gordon, and I am a registered voter in Fulton County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Sarah Gordon From:

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: Support for Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12

Date: Thursday, August 15, 2024 6:36:52 PM

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James Quarles State Director Heritage Action for America

I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to approve it.

Georgia Code Section 2I-2-493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense. It should be a law nation-wide!

This type of reconciliation ensures the bedrock principle of one person, one vote and helps guard against the certification of inaccurate results. Just like when balancing a checkbook, if the numbers do not match up, there has been some sort of error that needs to be identified and corrected before results are certified. The proposed rule would make it easy to identify and correct any such discrepancies.

What possible reason would anyone anywhere have a problem with this rule, unless they simply do not want an accurate vote count and do not want to held accountable. I can't think of one.

Sincerely, Ron Branch 
 From:
 SEB Public Comments

 Subject:
 Rule 183-1-12-12

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 6:34:46 PM

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Sincerely, Alicia Jill Eison Jill Eison Painting With Jill Paint Parties

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 6:34:08 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Nancy Watkins and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

I urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

I was an assistant poll manager for 9 years until Covid. This proposed rule puts unreasonable burden on a system that already works well and provides for safe and is fair elections because:

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Sincerely, Nancy Watkins

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Dani and I am a registered voter in Forsyth County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Dani Kologranic

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Carole Maddux and I am a registered voter in Fulton County.

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Sincerely, Carole Maddux

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Suzanne Marks and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because it significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Suzanne Marks From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Rule 183-1-12-.12

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Thanks,

**Bob Avent** 

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 6:19:31 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Kim Goldsmith and I am a GA in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Kim Goldsmith

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Terry Patrick and I am a registered voter.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Terry Patrick From:
To:
SEB Public Comments
Subject:
Rule 183-1-12-.12

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 6:10:38 PM

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I support the Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12 and I want the Board to approve it.

This rule simply implements the process of reconciliation which is already required under GA law.

This is common sense! Georgians MUST be able to trust the results of our primaries and elections!

Sincerely, Carolyn Morris

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 6:06:35 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Morgan Hood and I am a registered voter in Fayette county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Morgan Hood From: To:

SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 6:06:15 PM

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Please pass this rule. Robert A Isley,

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 6:05:32 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Arthur Rosenberg From:
To: SEB Public Comments

 Subject:
 Support for proposed rule 183-1-12-.12

 Date:
 Thursday, August 15, 2024 6:05:23 PM

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August 15, 2024

The State Election Board 2 MLK Jr. Drive Suite 802 Floyd West Tower Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Members of the State Election Board,

On behalf of Citizen Outreach Foundation, whose members are involved in election integrity efforts nationwide, I am writing to express my support for the proposed rule 183-1-12-.12, which outlines a standard procedure for reconciling voters to ballots before the certification of election results. This rule is a necessary step to ensure that our elections are conducted with the utmost accuracy and integrity.

The rule is not introducing anything new; it simply implements what is already required by Georgia law under GA Code § 21-2-493(b). Reconciliation is a commonsense measure that ensures every vote is counted accurately, and that no discrepancies go unchecked before election results are certified. This process is crucial for maintaining the public's trust in our electoral system.

Reconciliation is a safeguard against errors like double scanning of ballots, which can lead to inaccuracies in the final vote count. By comparing the number of voters to the number of ballots cast, we can catch these mistakes early and correct them. This rule provides a clear and consistent procedure for counties to follow, ensuring that each vote is tied to a verified voter.

The proposed rule also reinforces the principle of "one person, one vote," which is fundamental to our democracy. By requiring counties to compile a complete list of unique voters and match it to the number of ballots cast, we can be confident that only qualified electors are participating in our elections.

I believe that reconciliation, much like balancing a cash drawer at the end of the day, is a necessary step in the election process. It ensures that the results we certify are accurate and reliable. This rule will help prevent the certification of erroneous results and strengthen the integrity of our elections.

I strongly urge the State Election Board to adopt this proposed rule. It is a vital measure to uphold the accuracy and fairness of our election process.

Thank you for considering my comments.

## Sincerely,



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From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** Comments RE: State Election Board Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12.

**Tabulating Results** 

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 6:01:49 PM

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To all interested parties and persons for Public Comment RE subject Proposed Rulemaking Revisions:

The purpose of this email is to provide my input and opposition to the State Election Board Proposed New Rule Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results, notice\_of\_proposed\_rulemaking\_183\_1\_12\_12\_1\_v2.pdf (ga.gov). These amendments aim to provide extra and unnecessary checks outside the current system already in place. As proven by the 2020 national election, Georgia recounted the votes to my recollection 3 or more times, resulting in the same results or outcomes—a Biden presidency win for 2020. There is no reason for these additional steps and no legal basis, for instilling such rules. Our voting system and recent elections have not given the Board just cause or reason for such review and examination.

This proposed rule by the Georgia Election Board requires a hand count of ballots by the Board. This will hold up certification of Georgia election results. Hand counting ballots requires significant time and manpower, which can strain county resources. In addition, there is a greater potential for human error—manual processes are not immune to mistakes, and human error could introduce new inaccuracies. Furthermore, these new procedures, the additional step of hand counting and review of documentation of returns could delay certification of election results, causing uncertainty in our election system.

The Board claims a manual review and verification of electronic results could reduce the risk of errors or tampering. These new rules seem to increase the risk of tampering.

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Therefore, I oppose these amendments for they will only prove to delay Georgia certification. The 2020 election recounts (3 or more times) proved that we already have an excellent and foolproof system that does not warrant an extra step of examination of documentation by the Board before certifying our elections.

If this rule is passed, I am sure there will not be significant or hardly any errors to result in a change in election results, as proved by our 2020 national election. I think taxpayers would not approve of such use of already scare resources. People who vote do so to exercise their rights in the hopes of a fair and honest election, and timely certification of results.

Sincerely, Carol Brannon-King Acworth, GA

Sent from my iPhone

From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Support for 183-1-12-12

Date: Thursday, August 15, 2024 6:01:30 PM

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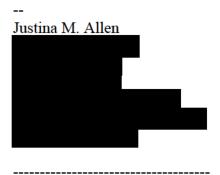
I am writing **in support of** Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to **approve it**.

Georgia Code Section 2I-2-493(b) requires reconciliation to ensure the number of voters in an election matches both the number of ballots and the total number of votes. This is common sense.

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Failure to ensure accurate election results leads to distrust in our election system. It is vital that we, the citizens of Georgia, are able to trust the results of our primaries and elections, and the process outlined in the proposed rule is a key to achieving that goal.

The State Election Board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that ensure county boards of elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections. To that end, I urge the Board to give final approval to Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12.



"Religion (is) the basis and Foundation of Government."

— James Madison, architect of the U.S. Constitution

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 6:00:45 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Teresa Justus and I am a registered voter in Lumpkin county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Teresa Justus

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 6:00:08 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Roger Pennifill and I am a registered voter in Forsyth county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

A number of audits of past elections in GA has shown that we have a secure and effective election system. The proposed changes will may the system less secure and potentially delay the vote count certification. Something important to all members of the State and the Country.

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Roger Pennifill

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 5:55:59 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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Sincerely, Teresa Justus

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 5:49:42 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Barbara Collins and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter in Dekalb in county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Barbara Collins From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Election Integrity Rule

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 5:47:06 PM

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Dear Georgia State Election Board Members,

I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-12-12 and urge the Board to approve it. Failure to ensure accurate election results leads to distrust in our election system. Please give final approval to Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12.

Thank you, Rosalind Tyler

Sent from my iPhone

From: To:

SEB Public Comments

Subject:

Proposed Rule 183-1-12-.12

Date:

Thursday, August 15, 2024 5:41:28 PM

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I am writing in support of Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12 and I urge the Board to approve it.

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Failure to ensure accurate election results leads to distrust in our election system. It is vital that we, the citizens of Georgia, are able to trust the results of our primaries and elections, and the process outlined in the proposed rule is a key to achieving that goal.

The State Election Board has a duty to Georgia voters to enact rules that ensure county boards of elections carry out their sworn duties to administer fair and accurate elections. To that end, I urge the Board to give final approval to Proposed Rule 183-1-I2-.12.

Sincerely, Robert Jones

Robert Jones



From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 5:40:48 PM

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In support of proposed Rule 183-1-12 -12

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 From:
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 Subject:
 Rule 183-1-12-12

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Tracy Collins

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 5:31:31 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Paula Rafferty. I am a registered voter in DeKalb County.

This is the second change in as many weeks that allows the whimsical ability to delay or deny the certification of votes.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters yet another reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters. Indeed, it reduces voters' trust, because nothing is sacred anymore. The attack on election results has been rampant and is now expected to occur along partisan lines. It adds to the relentless partisan attack on the integrity of the electoral system.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents. Any board member can insist upon reviewing documentation for the sole purpose of manipulating election results. Anyone who is not in a coma can see the shenanigans coming. Please do not add yet another place for individual county board members to delay or deny certification.

Implementing such a rule not only risks eroding public confidence in elections, do it so close to the election makes that result guaranteed. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Annie and I am a registered voter in Forsyth county.

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From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Cc:

Subject: Comments RE: State Election Board Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12.

Tabulating Results

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Sincerely, Pamela J. Lockhart Decatur, GA From:
To:
SEB Public Comments
Subject:
Proposed rule 183-1-12

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## Sent from my iPhone

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To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 5:21:47 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Lauren Galàn and I am a register voter in Cobb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Lauren Galan

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Sincerely, Javier Mendez

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_elissa greene and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter in \_\_\_chatham\_county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, elissa greene

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Rebecca and I am a registered voter in Forsyth county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Rebecca Hammond

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Rachel Lesser and I am a registered voter in Forsyth County.

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Sincerely, Rachel Lesser

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_TIffany \_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_clayton\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely,

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Nancy Newton and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Nancy Newton

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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Sincerely, Marcia Ogilvie

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 4:55:38 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Cathleen Jacobson and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Cathleen Jacobson

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Vicky Tavernier

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Benjamin Reiss, and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Benjamin Reiss

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Anne Zacharias-Walsh. I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule change is a not particularly well concealed attempt at election interference. By design, the proposed change significantly hampers counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process, giving voters a reason to doubt the results, which is precisely what it is intended to do. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

I might be in the minority these days but I still believe free and fair elections are the best way to chose our government leaders. Please don't give bad actors more tools to undermine the process that has made this country great.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, I request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Anne Zacharias-Walsh

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Rhonda D. Wright, MD and I am a registered voter in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unnecessary because:

There is no evidence that Georgia elections in recent years have been anything other than secure. It is complicating our election process to solve a problem that does not exist.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule will slow the certification process, which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters. Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_Elaine Zitomer\_\_ and I am a registered voter in Cobb\_\_ county.

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Sincerely, elaine zitomer

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Joanne Groshardt and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in DALLAS TXcounty.

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Sincerely, joanne groshardt

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Sincerely, kursten Berry

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JOSEPH BAILEY

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Michelle Arrington and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Michelle Arrington

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Sue Tilis and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Sue Tilis

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 4:07:27 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Bonnie Cramond, and I am a registered voter in Clarke county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because the proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents. Such actions will cause vote counting to be delayed and further erode public confidence.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Bonnie Cramond

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 4:04:37 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Ellen Mazer and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Ellen Mazer

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 4:03:37 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Jeffrey Luther

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 4:03:06 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Lucy Rowland and I am a registered voter, in Clarke county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

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Sincerely, Lucy Rowland

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 4:02:02 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Leila Yoder and I am a registered voter in Glynn county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Leila Yoder

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 3:56:49 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Patricia Wall and I am a registered voter, in Forsyth county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Patricia Wall

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 3:55:21 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Ellen G Spears and I am a registered voter in Dekalb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results in a timely fashion by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. Not only would this proposed rule slow the certification process; it also would give voters a reason to doubt the results.

Mechanisms are already in place to ensure the fair implementation of the election process. Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are. The adoption of this proposed rule could also lead to a decline in faith in the non-partisanship of the Election Board.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Ellen Spears

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 3:45:05 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Leslie Gerber and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

This smacks of an attempt by Republicans to manipulate and discredit the vote in order to potentially swing the vote in favor of the GOP candidates. There has never been any substantiated proof that there was a problem with the votes cast in Fulton County. I find this entire matter an exercise in undermining the voting rights and confidence of voters in free and fair elections and it frankly disgusts me.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Leslie Gerber

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 3:39:02 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is JESSE and I am a registered voter in Douglas County

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

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Sincerely, Jesse Nation

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 3:37:38 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

I am a registered voter who attends every meeting of my Athens Clarke County Board of Elections in Athens Clarke County.

I have served on the ballot duplication panel in 2022 and 2023. I was a candidate monitor in the 2020 June Primary. I KNOW the integrity and accuracy of Athens Clarke County elections because I have seen and helped with the proper conduct of our county election staff and our members of the Board of Elections.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

This rule change horrifies me. It will allow for obstruction of county election certification by willful, frivolous, even conspiracy theory, election denying members of county boards of elections to sabotage democratic elections in Georgia. I heard citizen comments during our August 13 Athens Clarke Board of Elections meeting mimicing lies of "you let illegal aliens vote in Athens Clarke County." No such behavior happens in our County elections, and if this citizen should ever be appointed to our Board of Elections, such lies could poison our county election certification.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Jacqueline C Elsner

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 3:28:04 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Patricia Hale and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Patricia Hale

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 3:15:47 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Errol Napier

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 3:15:43 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Jill Penn and I am a registered voter in Gwinnett county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Jill Penn

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 3:06:49 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Mary Haffey and I am a registered voter in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Mary Haffey

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Gail Richardson

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 3:03:01 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Susan Gordon and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Susan Gordon From:

To: SEB Public Comments; jfervier.seb@gmail.com; jjohnstonmd.seb@gmail.com; jking.seb@gmail.com; "Sara

Ghazal"; rjeffares.seb@gmail.com

Cc:

**Subject:** Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12 Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 2:59:53 PM

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Dear Members of the Georgia State Election Board,

I am the Assistant Secretary of the Forsyth County Board of Registrations & Elections as well as an engaged voter in Georgia.

Today, I am writing to urge you to not adopt the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12, Tabulating Results, which creates redundant, ineffective, error-prone and faulty impediments to securing paper ballots at polling locations.

From a past poll worker, poll manager now board member perspective, this proposed rule is unreasonable because:

- 1. It is needlessly redundant. For the newer SEB members, each county elections director is required to accumulate the balanced totals from each precinct that is open every, single hour, every single voting day. By closing time every single voting day, the Elections Director already knows the county votes by precinct are balanced, and if not, the reason for the difference has already been determined.
- 2. It is very well documented common sense that hand counting is extremely error prone. Especially, at the end of a long, busy election day. To expect poll officials (Poll Managers, Assistant Poll Managers) to get the counts right after working 12-16 hour days is unrealistic.
- 3. There is no value added to counting the PAPER ballots. The official vote count is on the memory cards. The PAPER ballots become back up support after they are scanned. The numbers turned into the SOS as official come from the memory cards.
- 4. Allowing one county Elections board member to delay certification of the November election is beyond the scope of county board members responsibilities.
- 5. Eroding public confidence by adding more roadblocks to certification builds more distrust in the system that already contains many redundant checks and balances.
- 6. Leadership and staff at the Forsyth County elections office already spend hundreds of hours working on voter challenges that are beyond reasonable expectations. Adding more work for some perceived benefit costs counties additional money and more importantly, a severe drop in morale.
- 7. Processes already exist to identify and resolve discrepancies. That is why we know about the few issues Georgia has had in the past. A concerted, deep dive examination is required to determine if a hand count at the precincts on an election night adds any value. This short public comment session is not enough time to assess any value added. Practically, I can tell you it does not.

It is imperative that the Georgia State Election Board actively work with leadership in GAVREO to discern what rule changes actually add value to the processes that they administer. Leaving their wise voice out is a disservice to them and to the voters in Georgia.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that this board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, I request that a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption be issued to the public. Therein, provide the Board's reason for overruling this consideration that is urging against the adoption as required by statute.

Best Regards,

Anita Tucker Assistant Secretary, Forsyth County BRE From:

To: SEB Public Comments

Cc: Hardin, Alexandra (SEB)

**Subject:** Public Comment: Georgia State Election Board Rule Changes

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Dear Members of the Georgia State Election Board,

First, thank you for providing the public with an opportunity to weigh in on the State Election Board's proposed rule changes to be considered at the meeting on August 19. As a deeply concerned Georgia citizen, who is unable to attend the meeting, I feel obligated to reach out via email to comment.

At a tumultuous time, when Georgians are seeking reassurance that our voting mechanisms are safe and secure, I understand the need to take a hard look at our current policies and procedures to make sure our system is working as intended. However, I do not agree with the passage of 183-1-12-.12(.1) and (2) rule changes proposed by Lucia Frazier. I think having Georgia's voter registration lists free to the public, available online, and downloadable at any time, both as one whole list and divided by county would provide great harm to the community.

The proposed rule changes, 183-1-12-.12(.1) and (2), would pose a security risk for registered voters. Due to the recent portal changes to the Secretary of State website, it is much easier to cancel any person's voters' registration, permitting they have access to: 1) the person's full name on their voter registration and 2) the person's driver's license number. As it stands, this new system appears to already pose a major security concern because it lacks any mechanism to ensure the person behind the cancellation--and the reason for the cancellation--are both valid. But with the rule changes these issues would be *so much worse*. If we enact 183-1-12-.12(.1) and (2), it will be much easier for unauthorized persons to cancel voter registrations. Criminals will have easy access to half of the information needed to commit fraud: a person's full name as it is stated on their voter registration. I believe 183-1-12-.12(.1) and (2) would not provide any tangible benefit toward making our system better or more transparent. In fact, it would do the opposite.

I trust the system and believe the goal of this whole process, and the reasons for creating the State Election Board, is to increase integrity and trust in our institutions, which I fully support. However, the board must consider all the ramifications of the actions taken to change our current system, particularly before a major presidential election. Before enacting these rule changes, I propose consulting one or more security experts and/or advisory bodies beforehand to ensure that making private voter roll information public would not be damaging to the public and to the public's perceptions.

Ultimately, if the board decides to move forward with the rule changes, I propose finding a way for Georgia voters to **opt out** of having their information made public *prior to releasing the voter roll information*. If you vote yes and move forward with the rule changes as-is-- and release voters' private information without their consent--the Georgia State Election Board will be hurting the people of Georgia by making our voting system less safe and secure.

I appreciate your consideration of this matter and sincerely hope that you will vote NO on the

proposed rule changes 183-1-12-.12(.1) and (2).

With Respect,

Joy Seely

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 2:58:53 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Richard Fehr

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 2:53:26 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is David Pool, and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, David Pool

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Dywanna Harris and I am a registered voter Dekalb County.

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Sincerely, Dywanna Harris

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Sincerely, Charlotte Laughon

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

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Sincerely, John McFarland

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 2:48:04 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Alice M Phillips and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Alice Phillips

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 2:45:54 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Seema Singh and I am a registered voter in Cobb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Seema Singh

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 2:44:52 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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Sincerely, Leslie White

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 2:41:52 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Elizabeth Geiger and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

- 1) This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.
- 2) The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.
- 3) Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Elizabeth Geiger

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 2:32:50 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Karim Shariff and I am a registered voter in Fulton County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Karim Shariff

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 2:31:51 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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Sincerely, Owen Amberge

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 2:20:01 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Jennifer Victor and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

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Sincerely, Jennifer Victor

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 2:18:45 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Lyndon robertson and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, in \_Henry\_\_\_county.

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Sincerely, Lyndon Robertson

To: SEB Public Comments

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Sincerely, Dot Muir

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Gloria J. Keegan and I am a concerned registered voter in Cobb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Implementing such a rule so close to an election risks eroding public confidence in elections. Focusing on unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation would increase opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

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Sincerely, Gloria J Keegan

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Lee Pasackow and I am a registered voter in Dekalb county.

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Sincerely, Lee Pasackow

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Sincerely, Christina Pullen

To: SEB Public Comments

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The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Alexander C. Pullen Sr

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 1:59:48 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Anna Chimo and I am a registered voter in Oconee county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 1:58:34 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Robin Zuniga-Ortega and I am a registered voter in Douglas county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Robin Zuniga-Ortega From:

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject:Support Tabulating Results 183-1-12-.12Date:Thursday, August 15, 2024 1:52:31 PM

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I urge support of rule 183-1-12-.12

If the Georgia State Election Board is not able to do simple math, perhaps another state authority should be conducting election. Ballots out should equal ballots in – this is the basic concept of election integrity. Each precinct should be accountable to report on the status of their ballots – this includes central absentee precincts, early voting sites, and vote centers wherever they may exist. Simple math should not be controversial – neither should a rule designed to ensure everyone who has accountability is following the law.

Thank you for the opportunity,

Ann Grigorian

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 1:51:45 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Stephen Kittrell, and I am a registered voter in Conb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Stephen Kittrell

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 1:50:38 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Nitin Thakur and I am a registered voter n Forsyth county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Nitin Thakur

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Lisa Robinson

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 1:43:40 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Lynn Kittrell, and I am a registered voter in Cobb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Lynn Kittrell

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I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Karen Anderson-Cordova From:
To: SEB Public Comments
Subject: Election Rule

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 1:42:58 PM

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To Whom It May Concern:

Please go forward with your rule regarding Tabulating Results 183-1-12-.12.

I'm a scientist and national election integrity expert.

john droz, rj. physicist

Election-Integrity.info

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 1:41:47 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Sam Wethern and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Samuel Wethern

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 1:41:14 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Susan Stephenson, PhD and I am a registered Georgia voter in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 1:41:14 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Jade Carter and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Jade Carter

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 1:30:39 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Nandita Thakur and I am a registered voter, in Forsyth county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

I am a Georgia citizen and voter from Stephens County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

My "Reasonable Inquiry" is that the proposed rule is unreasonable:

1/The Board is not following the Constitution of Georgia and the rule of law.

2/This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary and unlawful reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

3/The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents. It's a Legislative roll.

4/Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

5/Two board members have a partisan bias documented by their own words in the public square.

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Sincerely, Paschal McKibben

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 1:14:55 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Triana Arnold James and I am a registered voter in Douglas county and President of GA NOW.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Triana Arnold James

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 1:08:33 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Sandy Furrh and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Sandy Furrh

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 12:57:52 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Richard Shields and I am a registered voter in Chatham County. .

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Richard Shields

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 12:55:58 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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I will not stand by while you MAGA Board Members attempt to prevent me from voting. See you at the next Board meeting.

Sincerely, Gary Uitvlugt

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 12:54:41 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

I am writing to urge you to REJECT the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Richard Phelps

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 12:49:48 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Steve Wolf and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Steven Wolf

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 12:49:44 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Virginia Barton and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

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Sincerely, Virginia Barton

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 12:41:54 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Wynne Westley Ewing and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, in Hall county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

State level guidelines for how County Board of Elections would handle Voter Challenges must be created.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Wynne Ewing

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 12:36:28 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Hope Mays and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.12

The proposed rule is unreasonable and denigrates the election process. It gives voters a reason to doubt the results regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Hope Mays

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 12:33:45 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Rosa Maglione and I am a registered voter in Cherokee County.

I am writing to ask you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

My reasons are as follows:

Introducing unnecessary steps that slow the certification process will ensure voters have a reason to doubt the results, furthering a distrust from the public of the certifying process. You are helping magnify unsubstantiated rumors and encouraging opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

Also, it is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Rosa Maglione

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 12:27:06 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, AL Addington

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 12:26:16 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Bruce Nelson

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 12:26:04 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Mark Glasser

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 12:23:21 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Deborah Nelson

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 12:21:04 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Francine Dykes and I am a (registered voter in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process. There is no demonstrable reason to make this change. Our elections in Georgia have been free and fair even under a great deal of scrutiny back in 2020.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rule making record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Francine Dykes

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 12:11:24 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Megan Ave'Lallemant and I am a registered voter and poll worker in Chatham county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Megan Ave'Lallemant

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 12:09:12 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Kristen and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Kristen Koehnemann

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 12:04:02 PM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is \_Evelyn Walsh and I am a voter in DeKalb County. I am deeply troubled by the new rules regarding election certification as well as the feature that allows anyone to challenge voter registration. Today, I want to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process. I am horrified we may have a repeat of Jan 6, 2020 if the Election Board takes steps that will stoke extremists.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Evelyn Walsh

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:56:22 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Maya and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process. I am not as worried about the security of the election process, which I trust the election staff to do, as I am with making it easy, fast, and simple.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents. I'd prefer elected officials and professional election staff to be in control of when documents need reviewing than one board member deciding to wield power and slow down a democratic system.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

And the reason should be based on actual evidence and data. Not perceived need.

Sincerely, Maya Goldman

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:53:49 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Von Grubbs and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Von Grubbs

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:50:22 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Rob Maynard and I am a registered voter in Cobb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

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Sincerely, Rob Maynard

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:50:22 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Tia Morrison

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:46:31 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Jane Cronin. I am a registered voter in in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Jane Cronin

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:42:03 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Joan immerman and I am a conscientious, long time registered voter.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters. Besides, changing the rules so close to the election engenders suspicion of nefarious motives on your part.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Joan Immerman

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:40:01 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Kimberlee M. Hiillard and I am a registered voter in Peach County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

- (1) This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.
- (2) The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.
- (3) Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Kimberlee Hillard From:
To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: support for Reconciliation 183-1-12-.12

Date: Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:39:37 AM

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I write to voice my support for this proposed rule.

Sandra Carnet

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:39:21 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Paul Marquardt and I am a registered voter in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

Given that mistrust in our last Presidential election has been shown to be fabricated, this process is wasteful of both time and money on the part of our elected officials. Your actions only serve to give disproportionate weight to lies.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Paul Marquardt

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Brad Sell and I am a registered voter in Cobb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Brad Sell

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Sara Haynes and I am a registered voter in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Sara Haynes

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Pamela Y. Cook, and I am a registered voter in Fulton County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Pamela Cook

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Ramses Jimenez and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, ramses jimenez

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

Hello, I am a registered voter in Gwinnett county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Eva Fournier

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Valerie and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Valerie Pool

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Richard Stone, and I am a registered voter in Dekalb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election-related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Richard Stone

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:26:18 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Kathryn and I am a registered voter in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

Adding unnecessary interruptions into the already complicated and time consuming process does not make it more reliable. It adds more opportunities for confusion.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Kathryn Antman

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:22:33 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Anamaria Prestandra and I am a Registered Voter in Chatham county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Anamaria Prestandra

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, C. Virginia Lee

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:20:59 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Savannah Roberts and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Savannah Roberts

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:19:52 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Elizabeth Cohen and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Elizabeth Cohen

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:18:50 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_Lorraine\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, in \_\_\_Chatham\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Lorraine Posner

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:15:33 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_janine Robinson \_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_dade county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Janine Robinson

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:12:14 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Elizabeth Rohan and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Enough is enough. Stop the nonsense.

Sincerely, Elizabeth Rohan

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:11:46 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Sam Booher and I am a registered Senior Citizen voter in Columbia county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Sam Booher

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:10:13 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_Kathleen Wagner\_\_ and I am a registered voter in \_\_Dekalb\_\_ county. My daughter is an election worker in Bibb county.

After three recounts in the last presidential election in Georgia, I am assured that our election procedures are safe and accurate and do not need unnecessary added procedures.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Kathleen Wagner

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Josh Archer

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:07:51 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Magen Peigelbeck

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Timothy Paschall and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

Additionally, as an Attorney, I do not believe the changes are legal.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Timothy Paschall

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:05:05 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Elisa and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Elisa Covarrubias

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:04:19 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is James Braddock and I am a registered voter in Toombs county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, James C Braddock

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:02:57 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Michelle Emrich, and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Michelle Emrich

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:02:24 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Rebecca Lockman and I am a Registered Voter in Oconee county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Rebecca Lockman

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

I am a registered voter in Paulding County. I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because it significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

In addition, the proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

Sincerely, Lisa Winters-Allen

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:00:53 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Alice Sexton and I am a registered voter in Fannin county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Alice Sexton

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 11:00:47 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Peter Wilkinson and I am a registered voter i Chatham county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Furthermore, this proposed rule is solely for the purpose of helping Trump cheat his way back into the White House. We both know it!!!!

Sincerely, Peter Wilkinson

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Susan, and I am a poll manager in Cobb county.

I urge you to reject revisions to Rule 183-1-12-.02 -- particularly so soon before the election!

The rule introduces cumbersome and unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process, which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in voter trust; it will lead to even greater distrust. By creating a false sense of "possible fraud" and delaying results from precincts, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are. That serves no good purpose.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Susan Rad

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:58:53 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Stefanie Steele and I am a registered voter, in Rockdale county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Stefanie Steele

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:58:10 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Annie Smalley

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:58:26 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Jason Fiorito and I am a registered voter in Forsyth county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Jason Fiorito

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:57:39 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is \_\_Denita Hampton\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Denita Hampton

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Ken Lawler, and I am a registered voter in Fulton County. I am an experienced poll watcher, having observed both the 2020 and 2022 elections in a few different counties across Georgia. My past professional career includes consulting for IBM.

If there's one thing I learned from consulting in the business world, it's that organizations must have a consistent process to be efficient and accurate in what they do. Organizations establish processes, and provide technology that enables those processes to be carried out by people across their organization.

In Georgia, we have 159 counties that have the responsibility to administer and carry out elections, which is one of the most important functions they provide. The Secretary of State's office and the State Election Board must establish and enforce consistent processes for running elections.

The Secretary of State's office enables this process by providing election equipment that complies with all necessary vote recording and tabulation requirements.

The State Election Board's proposed rules changes for certifying elections run counter to the establishment of a uniform and efficient process. By allowing county and local election offices to make up their own processes for certifying elections, the Board is risking the very uniformity it needs in order to timely and accurately certify election results. At a minimum, any allowance made for county/local election boards to check the results must have strict guidelines and a well-defined process. These proposed rules changes have neither.

If the State Election Board truly believes in having accurate, secure, and timely election results, the Board should NOT adopt these changes with very strict implementation guidelines provided to all 159 counties.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Ken Lawler

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Cristen Canavino

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:51:29 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Steve Antonoff

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:49:37 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Helen McLaughlin and I am a registered voter in Fulton County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters nor does it improve the accuracy of the process.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents. It is clear that the intent of this rule change will be disruptive without bringing anything positive to the process. Additionally, the county elections supervisors do not support this change because of the chaos that it portends.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Helen McLaughlin

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Mark Richman and I am a registered voter in DeKalb county. I believe in fair elections and believe that the claims of unfairness in the 2020 election are completely unfounded and were created based on the self-centered claims of one man. Although nearly all false claims has been disproven, I believe that is the reason for this flurry of election rules change proposals.

That said, I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Mark Richman

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:46:44 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Taylor Adams\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Fulton County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Taylor Adams

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:46:29 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Marcie Anthone and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Marcie L. Anthone

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:45:09 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Emily Menke and I am a registered voter in Clarke County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Emily Menke From:
To:

SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** In support: proposed Rule for Reconciliation 183-1-12-.12

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:42:26 AM

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To: The State Election Board of Georgia

I am writing to support the Proposed Rule of Reconciliation, 183-1-12-.12. Reconciliation is already required under Georgia Law. This Rule implements the statutory requirement and clarifies a common sense process to implement the statue. This should not be controversial.

Reconciliation ensures one person-one vote and would guard against certification of inaccurate or erroneous results.

No person may vote if they are not a qualified elector who provides proof of identity. At the time that a person is allowed to cast a ballot, the County must know who they are. Counties will create a complete list of all unique voters who participated in the election and compare that list to the total ballots cast from each precinct. This compiled list is already required in the law. This Rule simply establishes the process to follow.

Reconciliation must match the number of voters to ballots from all methods of voting. Each precinct within the county has some voters who vote by Absentee, some during Advance Voting and others on Election Day. Precinct by precinct, the Board will compare the number of unique names by each voting method to the number of ballots cast of each type.

The statue explicitly states that if the number of ballots exceeds the number of votes in any precinct, that "such excess shall be deemed a discrepancy and palpable error and shall be investigated" prior to recording any votes from the precinct with a voter deficit.

This Rule is a reasonable implementation and should be passed.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Cynthia S Padgett cindypadgett@fastmail.com

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:41:59 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Kathy Harris

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:40:08 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Barbara Burt and I am a registered voter in Clarke county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". This is not necessary. It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

Implementing such a rule risks eroding public confidence in elections and doing so very close to the election. By magnifying unsubstantiated rumors and delaying results from precincts under investigation, it amplifies opportunities for misinformation and accusations of fraud, regardless of how safe and secure our elections are. I am concerned that partisan influences may encourage baseless questioning of the results, as happened in 2020.

"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Barbara Burt

To: SEB Public Comments

Subject: SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:37:33 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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Sincerely, Chalisa Knight

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:37:06 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Ken Sexton and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Kenneth Sexton From:

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** Comments in support of the proposed rule for Reconciliation 183-1-12-.12

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:34:55 AM

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Good Morning,

I wish to state my support for the proposed rule for Reconciliation 183-1-12-.12. There are many reasons but I will list only 3.

- (1) Reconciliation is already required under GA law. This rule clarifies a common-sense process to implement the statute.
- (2) Reconciliation ensures one person-one vote and would guard against certification of inaccurate or erroneous results.
- (3) No person may vote if they are not a qualified elector who provides proof of identity. At the time a person casts a ballot, the County must know who they are. Counties will create a complete list of all unique voters who participated in the election and compare that list to the total ballots cast from each precinct.

Thank you,

Lydia Hallmark Paulding County, GA

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:34:04 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

I am s 35-year resident of GA, and a registered voter. I was opposed to the election "reform " recently passed, and I oppose this one as well.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Rebecca Baggett

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:33:03 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Kat Reynolds and I am a registered, active voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Kathryn Reynolds

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:31:13 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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Sincerely, Laura Hudgens

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:30:56 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

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Sincerely, Chris Abery

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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Sincerely, Monica Wills Brown

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:27:51 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Dot Muir

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

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I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, PAMELA WOODLEY

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:26:24 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Elliot Kinberg and I am a registered voter in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Elliot Kinberg

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:26:05 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Erin Clark and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Fulton county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Erin Clark

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:25:05 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

The proposed rule language states that "Board members shall be permitted to examine all election related documentation created during the conduct of elections prior to certification of results". It is not the role of individual board members to individually request and scrutinize various documents.

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"Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, CRAIG WILSON

To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:24:37 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

I am a registered voter in Cobb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Eileen M Lichtenfeld

To: SEB Public Comments

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Lisa Alston and I am a registered voter in Fulton County, GA.

I am writing to urge you to REJECT the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is UNREASONABLE because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Lisa Alston

To: SEB Public Comments

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Sincerely, Amber Smith

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:23:49 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Paula Barnes and I am a registered voter in Fayette County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Paula Barnes

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:22:04 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Sally Larrick and I am a registered voter in DeKalb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Sally Larrick

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

I am a registered voter in DeKalb County.

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Sincerely, Lisa Kendrick

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:21:04 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Thomas Cassidy, a registered voter in Fulton County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, THOMAS CASSIDY

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:18:02 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Sue Klein and I am a registered voter in Forsyth county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

This rule significantly threatens counties' ability to certify election results by introducing unnecessary reconciliation processes before all votes are counted. This will slow the certification process which only gives voters a reason to doubt the results. This does not lead to an increase in trust for voters.

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Sincerely, Sue Klein

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:16:44 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in \_\_\_\_ county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Beverly Conway

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:16:02 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Beth Sexton and I am a registered voter in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to PLEASE REJECT the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, beth sexton

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:15:01 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Cheri W. Robinson and I am a registered voter and former poll worker in DeKalb county.

I am writing to urge you to do the right thing and reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Cheri Robinson

To: SEB Public Comments

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:14:31 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Meg Yanacek and I am a registered voter, lawyer, and active community member in Cobb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Meghan Yanacek

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:14:05 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is \_\_ Martha Westbrook\_\_ and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered vote in Walker county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Martha Westbrook

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I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Sonia Swartz

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:09:06 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Jennifer Scinta and I am a registered voter in Forsyth county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2), I request that the Board include this comment in the rulemaking record and, if the Board ultimately adopts the Proposed Rule, we request that it issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption as required by statute.

Sincerely, Jennifer Scinta

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:08:41 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment,

My name is Dorian Denburg and I am a (please choose the option that applies: registered voter, Election Board Member, Election Director, Election official) in Fulton County, GA

I am writing to strongly urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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Sincerely, Dorian Denburg

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**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:07:38 AM

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Sincerely, Philip Thomas

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Martha Baker and I am a registered voter in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

The proposed rule is unreasonable because:

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Sincerely, Martha Baker

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Stacy and I am an option that registered voter in Dekalb county.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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To: SEB Public Comments

**Subject:** SEB Written Public Comment Addressing Revisions to Subject 183-1-12-.12. Tabulating Results

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024 10:07:01 AM

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Dear State Election Board Public Comment.

My name is Tom Wade and I am a registered voter in Cobb County.

I am writing to urge you to reject the petition to revise Rule 183-1-12-.02 related to the role of County boards in the certification process.

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