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**Comments on HB 108 on 01-16-13  
House State Administration Committee**

Right now voters can use a variety of photo IDs to verify their identity at the polls. If HB108 passes none of my photo IDs will substitute for my driver's license. I have a driver's license but as my eyesight and reflexes fail, a loved one will take away my car keys and license. If HB 108 passes and I want to vote, I'll have to beg a ride to the Motor Vehicle Office for a voter ID card.

I oppose the requirement that says anyone who owns and operates a motor vehicle is welcome to vote while others will have to clear obstacles that could discourage them from voting.

I also oppose HB 108 because it assumes the Motor Vehicle Office will issue an accurate document in a timely manner. In my experience, both assumptions are wrong.

**TIMELINESS:**

First, you can not just go down to the Motor Vehicle Office at your convenience, fill out a form and walk out with a licence. You have to call for an appointment but even before that, you have to find out who to call. If things are busy and they usually are, the next available time could be a week or more into the future.

**ACCURACY:**

If you manage to remember the appointment when the day comes, the license you apply for may not be the one you get. My problems started when the office did the politically correct thing using a woman's maiden name instead of her middle name. Banks now require a drivers's license to verify a new account and, like bureaucrats, a teller can not vary from the rules. To them, the name in the middle of a signature is a middle name. This caused me so much trouble that all I could do was get a corrected driver's license. The change cost me \$20 and did not even qualify as a renewal of my license. Also, it was close to a month before I got my new license.

I urge a do not pass on HB 108.