

# LATE TESTIMONY



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**TESTIMONY OF GLEN TAKAHASHI  
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TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR  
ON SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 108  
REQUESTING THE CHIEF ELECTION OFFICER CONVENE  
AN AUTOMATIC VOTER REGISTRATION TASK FORCE  
March 22, 2017**

Chair Keith-Agaran and Committee members:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on Senate Concurrent Resolution 108. We support the intent of this resolution and are willing to participate in the task force once it is convened.

If implemented under the current hybrid voting scheme, a possible unintended consequence could be a modest decline in the voter turnout percentage since the voter registry would increase the number of individuals that have not affirmatively decided to participate in the electoral process.

However, our office does see automatic voter registration's potential to increase voter participation when implemented within a vote-by-mail election scheme. Individuals that become registered voters through this process could be encouraged to vote by the ease and simplicity of a vote-by-mail election.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of SCR 108.

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