



# WISCONSIN LEGISLATURE

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Majority Leader Scott Fitzgerald  
State Capitol, Room 211 South  
Madison, WI 53707

Speaker Robin Vos  
State Capitol, Room 211 West  
Madison, WI 53708

Dear Majority Leader Fitzgerald and Speaker Vos,

This morning the Joint Committee on Review of Administrative Rules (JCRAR) held a public hearing on Emergency Rule 1618 pertaining to identification cards issued by the Department of Transportation for the purposes of satisfying Wisconsin's voter ID law. This rule is supposed to ensure that Wisconsin residents can obtain credentials for voting within six days of applying for an ID. Attorney General Schimel claimed in documents submitted to a federal court that Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) employees have been trained to tell people they will get credentials for voting within six days, even if they do not have a birth certificate.

Despite the Attorney General's claim, evidence obtained by VoteRiders and chronicled in several newspaper articles indicates that the DMV has not trained their employees properly. People are getting conflicting answers on whether they will be able to obtain voting credentials in time for the November 2016 election, and we find that unacceptable.





The purported purpose of voter ID laws is to prevent "voter fraud." However, Judge Adelman in *Frank v. Walker* states that "the defendants could not point to a single instance of known voter impersonation occurring in Wisconsin at any time in the recent past."

We do not have impersonation voter fraud in Wisconsin. Rather, the only fraud perpetrated is on the public by partisan politicians who manipulate our laws to deny legal voters the right to vote. We are requesting you call the legislature into extraordinary session for the purpose of overturning Wisconsin's Voter ID law in time for the November 8, 2016 election.

Every legislator signs an oath to uphold the constitution of the United States when we are sworn in. If we allow a single person to be disenfranchised by DMV's inability to follow the law, we will have abdicated our responsibility.

We look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

			
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