

Subject: AB262 – Allows Ex-Felons to Assist with Elections, Cancels Pay for Election Workers

Dear Senate Legislative Operations and Elections Committee:

I am **strongly opposed to AB262** which enables election workers to work "without pay" and enables ex-felons to assist with the election process.

As an involved citizen I have worked as an election worker for the last several years as a "call center" staffer at the Washoe County Registrar of Voters taking calls during early voting and election day from voting sites. I have worked two elections in 2022 and three elections in 2024, a full-time two-to-three week process for each election.

The claim that retirees don't want or need the wages paid to them for being an election worker is ridiculous. The amount paid to election workers is minimal and couldn't conceivably affect a senior's tax bracket for PERS or Social Security purposes. I appreciate the few dollars I have made during my tenure as an election worker, it has paid for my gas to and from the Washoe County Registrar of Voters, and paid for my lunches during the election process.

The additional section of the bill that enables ex-felons to serve as election workers is a mistake - we do not want those who have shown contempt for our laws to be serving as election workers.

Please OPPOSE this bill.

Respectfully,

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