

DO PASS - SB 2308

Members of the Senate State and Local Government Commiee,

Please render a DO PASS on Senate Bill 2308. Thank you for your considerantion of this important bill, and for your service to North Dakota.

Thank you.

Testimony:

On September 19th a letter addressed to anonymous to my address in Buchanan, ND was sent in the mail. The letter came to me. I noticed it was addressed to someone I didnt know and had no plans on opening it. I thought it was a real estate tax document similar to the one I receive however it was from the wrong county auditor, and a county I have never lived in, addressed to my PO Box in another town outside of LaMoure county. As I was going through my mail I was opening letter after letter and accidentally opened this letter. I figured I better look so I can forward to the rightful owner if it was important. When I opened this letter the contents were Absentee/Mail Ballot Application from the Secretary of State SFN 51468 (02-2022) I realize anyone can print these off the state or any county website however this one had the name of the person the letter was sent to with their actual physical address. Another thing I found interesting was that there was a bar code on the mailing label as well as the form that matched ID numbers. The blank forms you fill out dont have these. For clarification:

The envelop has a mailing label with:

Recipient Name
My address
My town, ND
Matching bar code and ID

Whereas the contents have:

Recipient Name
Recipient Physical Address
Recipients town, ND
Matching bar code and ID

I called the Auditors office in LaMoure the auditor was not in so I spoke to one of the deputy auditors and explained the situation. She explained to me that they get their address information from the Department of Motor Vehicles. I tried to clarify since the addresses didnt match and the mailing address on the envelop is not in LaMoure County so why would they be sending this out of their county? She informed me that whoever this letter was mailed to they had their address physical and mailing verified with Motor Vehicle. I said but I live at the mailing address, I am the owner of the home, it has never been rented to anyone and I know the other 2 owners of the home. There are no other residents associated with this address. She insisted it was an issue with Motor Vehicle and she cant explain why the recipient reported that information to Motor Vehicle. I did not leave my name and number with the office in LaMoure county but the same day, after hours the Auditor called me back and was so glad I answered! She was really excited to tell me she figured out what happened and wanted to know if I would mail this letter back to her. I said Ah Hell NO! (sorry I did) and I laughed and informed her that every county in the state of ND needs to be audited as soon as possible and Mail In ballots and voting machines need to be removed from

all elections and hung up.

I called the person the letter belonged to and she was quite surprised about all of this. She told me she used to live in the same town I live in but it was at least 10 years ago and NOT the same address as mine! She had a really nice surprise! She has her CDL and is required by DMV and MV to verify her mailing and physical address every 2 years.

Pretty much debunks the Auditors story. I did not call DMV because they cant give me information on another person.

Please let me know if you need any further clarification. I do have the letter and envelop in my possession.

Thank you.

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