

To the committees and State Legislators involved with the above proposed legislation, my name is Richard W. Mayhew, and I live at 180 Deer Run Plantsville, Ct. 06479.

I am a retiree and will be 69 years old in March 2021. I have voted in every election since I was 18 years old! I have NEVER had to use an absentee ballot or had any problem going to my appropriate voting station ON election day.

I believe that an Absentee Ballot Application should require a stated reason for asking for one. It MUST be verifiable and require enough IDENTIFICATION to authenticate it.

I oppose early voting because it SHORTENS the campaign year by months! Any pertinent information on any candidate which comes out after early voting diminishes those early votes and makes them "uninformed"! It also means "mail in balloting" which we ALL KNOW involves fraud and "ballot harvesting"!

At this time Connecticut is well ahead of the "covid curve". Many of Connecticut's citizens voted IN PERSON ! There was NO outbreak! On the contrary, numbers are falling! There is NO NEED to extend these "changes in election law" shoved through for 2020! I want to see Connecticut's Constitution RESTORED to full authority, including REMOVAL of Governor Lamont's Emergency Powers !

Respectfully submitted,
Richard W. Mayhew