

Re: SB 207-FN, AN ACT eliminating the requirement that moderators photograph voters without identification.

(Nancy Marashio is an LWVNH board member as well as town moderator for Newbury NH. She posted this testimony on the town moderators' blog and sent it electronically to the chair of the Senate Public and Municipal Affairs Committee as she was unable to attend the hearing in person)

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As Newbury's Town Moderator, I urge you to repeal camera ID

The law says the voter presents voter identification; election officials determine that the identification meets the requirements of the law (659.13).

Camera ID would, in effect, mean the Moderator or designee becomes the source of the voter identification for those voters photographed. The precedent of relieving some voters of the responsibility of being the presenters of identification is inappropriate.

The Moderator blog responded strongly against the camera ID when it was originally proposed, and I have heard no Moderator changing that response.

Please assure the continued integrity of New Hampshire elections by rejecting camera ID.

Thank you.
Nancy Marashio