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Dear Ms. Boardman:

As you know, our respective legislative committees held a joint hearing on May 16, 2024 in the Capitol to discuss voter identification. We thank you again for appearing before us that day on behalf of the department.

Your testimony that day revealed two percent (72,315) of state driver's licenses are permanent residents/non-citizens and four percent (17,178) of ID cards are permanent residents/non-citizens. Further, testimony revealed WISDOT does not share this information, about non-citizens with driver's licenses or ID cards, with WEC to ensure none of these non-citizens are voting.

I know your agency has electronic information that shows the names of the permanent non-citizen residents of Wisconsin who have received ID cards or drivers' licenses from your agency. I understand that such electronic information may not be maintained in the exact way that I've described it here, but after the hearing on May 16th, it is clear that your agency acknowledges having the information I refer to.

I write today to ask, again, that you and your agency share this information with the Assembly Committee on Campaigns and Elections, as well with the Senate Committee on Shared Revenue, Elections and Consumer Protection, so that our two committees may properly and fully conduct the oversight duties we are tasked with.

Allow us to share with you the wording of Wis. Stat § 13.45 (7), which contains a requirement that state agencies cooperate with the Legislature in the execution of legislative duties:

Cooperation of state agencies. The departments, officers and employees of Wisconsin state government, and the governing bodies of the political subdivisions of this state, shall assist legislative committees in the completion of their tasks. They shall provide legislative committees with ready access to any books, records or other information relating to such tasks. Upon request by legislative committees, and within the limits of

existing appropriations, departments of state government shall supply such specialized staff assistance as a legislative committee may require.”

This letter humbly requests WISDOT to share all information in its possession on non-citizens holding DOT-issued Wisconsin licenses and/or non-citizens holding Wisconsin identification cards, with our committees, as well as other state agencies and entities (including the Wisconsin Elections Commission), in furtherance of our oversight of elections and ensuring that elections are being administered in accordance with the law.

Please note that this request is in compliance with the Driver Privacy and Protection Act since this request is made on behalf of the below mentioned committees in relation to carry out their respective functions. 18 U.S.C. § 2725 (2) (the “State or agency thereof” is not a “person,” for purposes of the prohibition against disclosure in § 2721 (a)); 18 U.S.C § 2721 (b)(1) and (4). Additionally, I reiterate that we are not acting alone in this request. Per Governor Evers’ veto message of Senate Bill 98, he stated, “I do not object to the data-sharing of citizenship information between the Department of Transportation and the Elections Commission...”

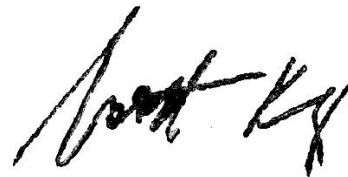
In addition, committee members are still waiting for IDPP and extraordinary proof data from 2020 to the current date to evaluate trend lines in the data per Rep. Krug’s request in the hearing.

Thank you for your sincere consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



Dan Knodl
Chairman, Senate Committee on
Shared Revenue, Elections and Consumer Protection



Scott Krug
Chairman, Assembly Committee on
Campaigns and Elections