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Dear Members of the Veterans and Legal Affairs Committee,

After the 2020 presidential election, Senator Pouliot was asked on his Facebook page if he accepted the results. His answer was, "Yes I accept the results. Yes I believe there was some level of fraud, but not enough to overturn the results." When pressed - multiple times - to either provide proof of this supposed "some level of fraud" or retract his statement, he responded with silence. Now, he is expanding his unproven claim into a bill. It's disappointing that the party that constantly rails against government spending and regulations is now proposing an expensive, burdensome solution to a problem that doesn't actually exist at any level significant enough to justify it.

I'm sure the pro-voter id crowd will show up today and be quite vocal, but shouting misinformation loudly and repeatedly will thankfully never convert lies into actual facts. As the ACLU and the Brennan Center for Justice have laid out far better arguments against voter id laws than I could ever possibly craft myself (based on actual studies and not the desire to increase voter suppression), I will simply drop links to their pages here so you can peruse them yourself.

ACLU: <https://www.aclu.org/fact-sheet/oppose-voter-id-legislation-fact-sheet>

Brennan Center:

<https://www.brennancenter.org/issues/ensure-every-american-can-vote/vote-suppression/voter-id>

Thank you for your time,

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