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CO SECSTATE JENA GRISWOLD HIDES FROM PUBLIC TESTIMONY: VOTERS CALL FOR FORENSIC AUDIT

Bi Partisan Colorado Voters Submit Over One Thousand Petitions - Challenging Unconstitutional Elections Rules Changes in Hearing

[Denver, Colorado, August 4, 2021] – In a public hearing, Colorado voters turned out in record-breaking numbers to publicly challenge Secretary of State Griswold’s proposed election rules changes. Prior to the hearing, Colorado citizens submitted over a thousand petitions “overwhelming” the Sec State’s office. The previous record number of petitions was 17. The pervasive theme from Colorado voters was a call for a forensic audit of the 2020 election. [Listen to the 8/3/21 hearing.](#)

In a shocking twist, not a single citizen supported Griswold’s proposed rule changes. Griswold and her committee were universally criticized for four hours straight by Colorado voters from all political leanings. The hearing was originally scheduled to be two hours of testimony but had to be extended on-the-day due to the number of citizens signed-up to testify.

Powerful citizen testimony mentioned dozens of Colorado counties had over 100% voter turnout on Nov. 3rd, issues with election power being centralized at the state level, and the unconstitutional nature of rule changes that bar third-party audits of Colorado elections past and future. Citizens rallied around the repeated question to Griswold, “*What are you hiding?*”

Griswold did not personally attend the hearing. Committee members were called out several times for their inattention to citizen testimony. One irritated citizen asked if a member would, “*stop playing Candy Crush and listen.*” Committee members seemed surprised at the depth of citizens’ understanding of election law, procedures, policies, and experience. Approximately 60% of the testimonies cited specific rule changes.

- The hearing was originally scheduled to resume on Thursday, August 4th at 10:00 a.m. but in a last-minute change, the Secretary of State’s Office banned further citizen testimony.
- Petitions and written testimony will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. August 10th, however its rumored and the precedent has been set that the Sec State will likely shorten the window of opportunity early, so citizens are urged to act as quickly as possible. Submissions accepted here: sos.rulemaking@sos.state.co.us
- Petitions and instructions for submission and sharing can be found at <https://useip.org/co-petition/>.

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