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Sen. Carson to file new voter photo ID legislation

Says new language will solve concerns over SB129

(Concord) Saying she is still committed to requiring voters to show a photo ID at the polls, Sen. Sharon Carson, R-Londonderry, announced today that she intends to file new legislation in January that will correct the major concern regarding SB 129. The state Senate failed to override Governor Lynch's veto of the legislation today with most citing their opposition to the bill's inclusion of provisional ballots.

Carson, who is also the bill's prime sponsor, said, "From the very beginning, SB 129 has not been about making it harder to vote, but rather making it harder to cheat. I sponsored this legislation with the intention of protecting one of our most cherished and fundamental rights as Americans. However, I understand many people had reservations regarding provisional ballots. As a result, I plan to work with our city and town clerks, along with Secretary of State Gardner, to craft new wording that will retain the heart of SB129 while at the same time avoid the logistical problems many believed would occur if SB129 became law."

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