

To the Editor:

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Mr. Jackson states that confidence in the integrity of our electoral processes is essential to our democracy, so one has to wonder why he brings up the hackneyed argument that an all-paper system could result in ballot boxes ending up at the bottom of lakes. Relax, voters. This argument is a red herring.

Georgia law requires ballots to be counted at the precinct, so all paper ballots would be scanned and counted on site. Ballots are then fed into locked, metal containers that must be returned to the counties. There is no motivation to steal those containers and dump them into lakes because the ballots inside have already been tabulated.

Another red herring is hanging chads, which have absolutely nothing to do with any system under discussion.

If these irrelevancies are the best arguments against using paper ballots, then we can feel assured that all-paper systems are superior.

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