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#### **ABSTRACT**

In surviving in this era globalization, people willing to do anything to gain things they want. There is no exception to all business around the world. All business level always keen to know the most effective way to maximize profit for their organization. Then, the political connection appears as one of the attributes that can impact on companies' performance. Therefore, people believe that there is a relationship between political connections and companies' performance. The fact that the management, shareholders, creditors, potential investors, government and other relevant parties would be keen to know about this can't be denied anymore. Obviously, there are determinants that will derive the performance of the company because of the political connection that has been made. Therefore, the purpose of this study is to measure the performance of political connected companies in Malaysia by using data between 2012 and 2017. ROE will be used as dependent variable while SIZE, GROWTH, EPS and LEV will be used as independent variables to measure the companies' performance.

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