ELECTION TRANSPARENCY ON TRIAL

TALKING POINTS

Talking Points to use when speaking with State Legislators, County Commissioners and Secretaries of State

Key Premise: It is virtually impossible to maintain data integrity in computerized election systems! As voters, we have no assurance and cannot currently prove that:

-each ballot counted can be attributed to only a single properly registered person;
-each such properly registered person only gets to vote one ballot;
-all and only legally cast ballots are tabulated as the voter intended.

The Themes:
Lack of Transparency in elections
Lack of audit-ability of vote results
Lack of certify-ability of election equipment
Ballots and voters are not reconcilable
Centralized and outsourced control of elections
Computerized Election systems are too complex and opaque
The "ballot" gets farther away from the voter's control or understanding

Outsourced the entire election process:
-Voter Registration Database (Secretary of State's)
-Vote Roster (voter check-in records)
-Vote tabulation
-Election Night Reporting to media and to SOS

We have no confidence in Texas electronic election systems
 87(2) - 2021Senate Bill I 1 doesn't fix the problem (read
https://www.texaseagleforum.com/_files/ugd/400030_f3c7baa522ce4ea4aac067b8f9e132bf.pdf for
analysis

We believe:
Fraud is possible - no doubts
The system is vulnerable
The problem is fixable
Action is necessary

The Solutions to change the way we do elections include, but not limited to:

No WIRELESS, LANS, PUBLIC OR PRIVATE CELLULAR NETWORKS, NO COMPUTERS - except limited use of optical scanners for auditing and computers for the database of registered voters

>   Paper ballots, preprinted, counterfeit resistant, hand marked, sequentially numbered

>   Hand counts, verified by "dumb" optical scanner

>   Paper poll books - with real (wet) signatures

>   Precinct only voting (with some combined smaller precincts)

Secure vote results tallies in the polling location immediately after the close of Election Day and early voting to memorialize the vote results; sealed not revealed, until after the close of Election Day

Limit mail-in ballots (available to military, ADA, and overseas employees), which are counterfeit resistant, hand marked, sequentially numbered

Mail ballot signature verification compared to the voter registration document signature

Ban or limit early voting (with no gaps between Election Day & Early Voting)

Ensure chain of custody at all stages of the election

Audits must be done by Independent 3rd party; audit must be defined by law

Reconciliation of number of ballots and number of voter check in records. They must be equal within a margin of error 1/10% error rate per new existing legislation.

If reconciliation fails, the election may not be certified.