



# The National Academies Voter Registration Databases Workshops

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# Saber Systems Implemented in 13 States



- **Electus States**
  - Oregon
  - Mississippi
  - Montana
  - Maryland
  - Wyoming
  - Missouri
  - Iowa
  - Colorado (semi-production)
- **ElectioNet States**
  - Rhode Island
  - New Hampshire
  - Idaho
  - New Jersey
- **CDX State**
  - New York

# Saber Solutions - Functionality



- **HAVA Compliance – 1<sup>st</sup> Priority**
  - Real Time Duplicate Voter Check
  - Real Time and 'Near' Real Time DMV and SSA ID Verification
  - Potential Felon Matching
  - Potential Death Matching
  - Voting History
- **Desired Functionality**
  - Absentee Ballot Maintenance
  - Voter Maintenance - Libraries
  - Poll Worker Administration/Training Identification
  - Re-Districting Module/GIS Interfacing
  - NVRA Reporting
  - Signature Images/Bar Coding
  - Petitions Management
  - Reports, Reports, Reports

# Implementation Obstacles



- Data Migration:
  - Data Collection
    - Local Vendors – Ownership
    - Various Formats Received
    - Data Cleansing – Missing Fields, etc.
    - Standardized – street types, party acronyms, NVRA Codes, etc.
- Local Buy-in:
  - “It’s different than what I use now...”
    - Communication, communication, communication
    - Change Management Plan
    - Regular Newsletters
    - Weekly County Status Calls
    - Local Site Visits
    - Road Show

# Matching Criteria

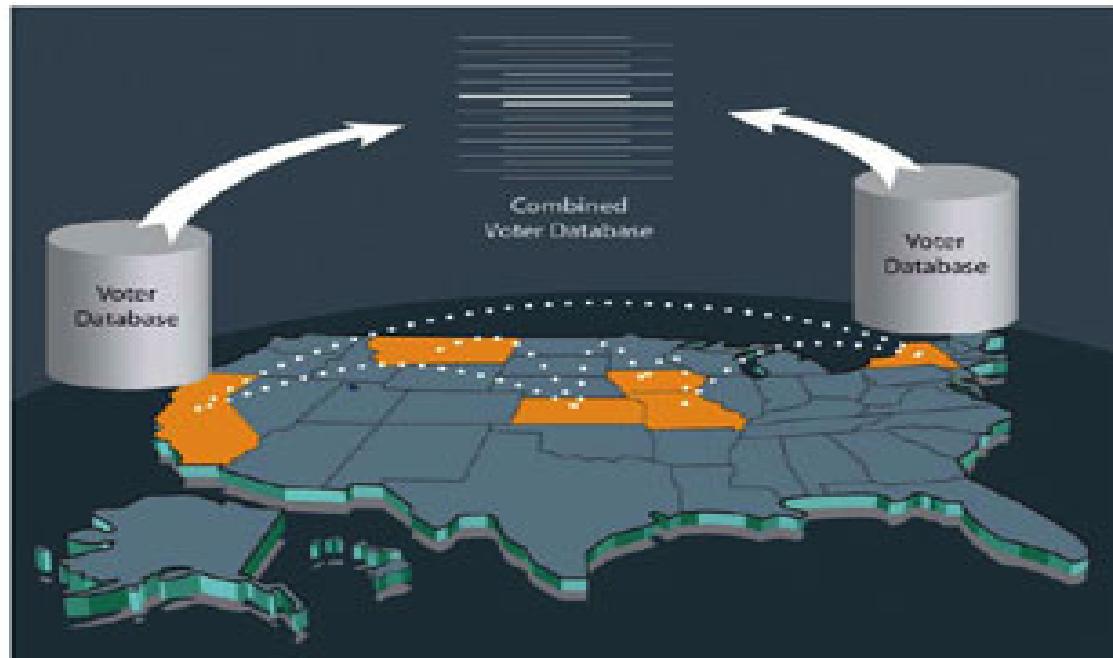


- Managed by all supported states
  - Based on state HAVA interpretation
    - First Name, Last Name, DOB
    - Some state administrators have the ability to add additional matching criteria
    - Middle Initial, DL #, SSN, other criteria
    - Partial name criteria: 1<sup>st</sup> three letters of last name, 1<sup>st</sup> 2 letters of first name, etc.

# Evolution - Duplicate Voter Exchange Program



Saber's Duplicate Voter Exchange identifies potential duplicate voter registrations not only in neighboring states, but also in "affinity" states. When new states become members of the Exchange, they automatically have access to the whole network. Fraud and multiple voting can affect the outcome of close election and statistics show that more than 40 million people move each year.



# Next Logical Step to HAVA



- Identify duplicate voter records in neighboring or affinity states.
- Each Member State's voter record files are uploaded periodically for comparison.
- The application allows access to the state's records and identifies potential duplicate voter records.
- The resulting list of potential duplicates is available to officials via:
  - A periodic email or fax to each state and county with a list of their potential duplicate voters.
  - Online reports for official users to login and view, which flag potential duplicate registrations for their entire state as well as county-by-county.
  - Online queries and searches for voters meeting user-defined criteria.
- State and county election personnel access the system via a secure, web-based portal.
- Member States may tag records which have been determined to be (1) duplicates, or (2) two separate voters, so tagged records are not flagged as potential duplicates in future searches.
- Interoperable states will retain full control over their own registration lists.

# Clarification of Misconceptions



- Not a National Voter Registration Database!
- A Duplicate Voter Exchange allows any state within the 'exchange' to compare their voter data to any other state or county to identify potential duplicate voter records



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# Company Overview



# Key Facts



- Established in 1997
- Headquartered in Portland, Oregon
- Approximately 1000 deployed technical personnel
- State and Local Government clients in 44 States
- Development Centers – Salem, OR; Columbus, OH
- Developed Electus™ from the ground up to be HAVA compliant; implemented on time for all eight clients
- Saber Elections Portfolio: 13 States
  - 8 Electus States (7 in Production, 1 in Semi-Production)
  - 4 ElectionNet States (All in Production)
  - 1 CDX State (In Final Stages of Production)



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Thank You

