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From: Arie Van De Graaff <arie@uacnet.org>
Sent: Tuesday, June 27, 2017 12:29 PM
To: seth.oveson@carbon.utah.gov; brendat@emery.utah.gov; Diana Carroll; Sherrie Swensen; Rozan Mitchell; Nielson, John David; bryant@utahcounty.gov; Scott Hogensen; Brent R. Titcomb
Cc: Mark Thomas; Justin Lee
Subject: Another Line of Questions Regarding Additional Cost for 3rd District Primary and General Election Race

Just a couple of more questions to all of you (sorry I didn't think to ask this earlier), what is your overall budget for the municipal election this year? Have all the cities in your county contracted with you to run their elections?

Thanks.

Here's what I have so far.

Additional Costs for Chavetz's Seat

Emery County - \$6,000
Grand County - \$16,000
Salt Lake County - \$90,000
San Juan County - \$13,300
Utah County - \$750,000

Total (so far) - \$875,300

Arie

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Subject: Additional Cost for 3rd District Primary and General Election Race

Everyone,

While coupling the race to replace Jason Chaffetz with the municipal elections will undoubtedly save your counties money (thanks Mark and Justin), there will be additional costs to bear. With everything we now know, could you please provide me an estimate of what those additional costs will be for your counties?

Thanks!

Arie Van De Graaff
Utah Association of Counties

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I just wanted to follow up on the request I made last week regarding costs for the Elections to replace Jason Chaffetz. I've received a number from Emery, Salt Lake, and Utah Counties. I would appreciate any estimate you have on what the additional burden these elections will be to your counties.

Thanks.

Arie

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From: Arie Van De Graaff <arie@uacnet.org>
Sent: Tuesday, January 24, 2017 1:08 PM
To: Hatch,Ricky
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And do you think the ranked choice functionality and polling-exit requirements are too burdensome?

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justinlee@utah.gov

On Thu, Feb 18, 2021 at 11:20 AM JoAnn Evans <jevans@duchesne.utah.gov> wrote:
Thank you for the update.

On Thu, Feb 18, 2021 at 11:18 AM Justin Lee <justinlee@utah.gov> wrote:
I asked her if she had any plans for sending a revised request to the counties, but I haven't heard anything back.

Justin Lee
Director of Elections
Office of the Lieutenant Governor
State of Utah
justinlee@utah.gov

On Thu, Feb 18, 2021 at 11:16 AM JoAnn Evans <jevans@duchesne.utah.gov> wrote:
Have we decided how we are going to handle this particular GRAMA request?

On Tue, Feb 16, 2021 at 11:54 AM Justin Lee <justinlee@utah.gov> wrote:
It sounds like it went to most, if not all counties. We also received something similar. I gave her a call and it sounds like what she is actually looking for might be much smaller than her request. I've asked her to send a modified, more specific request. I'll let you know what I hear.

Justin

Justin Lee
Director of Elections
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On Tue, Feb 16, 2021 at 11:51 AM 'Quinn Hall' via vsug@utah.gov <vsug@utah.gov> wrote:
We've received a decidedly voluminous GRAMA request from Elaine Moore. Did everyone get this one? Or am I the only lucky one?

"All voting equipment system purchasing documents, Jan 2017 to Dec 2020, including but not exclusively: purchase contracts, service agreements, payments to vender, invoice, voucher, purchase order, escrow agents, escrow agreement; and shipping tickets, etc All recurring contracts with voting system vendors from Jan 2018 to Dec 2020, including but not exclusively for training, maintenance, software updates, etc List of all county voting equipment to including but not exclusively: Vender, Software, Version/Model, firmware, date of purchase, dates and documents of equipment and software installation updates Election Logic and Accuracy Test documents and full reports, including but not exclusively minutes/transcript of public meeting held 29 Sep 2020 All communication with Lt Gov and/or Elections office staff regarding voting equipment system selection from Jan 2017 to Dec 2020 All documents of voting system certifications, EAC certificates and/or VSTL accreditation in possession of county All documents showing the voting equipment certification and recommendation by the State of Utah, Lt Governor, Lt Governor's staff, and elections office Please feel call me with any questions regarding this request. I appreciate your time."

- Protection of voter information has been a long standing issue and concern. The public is opposes the open sharing of their data to anyone who wants it. Currently there are little to no restrictions on what can be done with the data regardless of the intended use.
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- The purpose of gathering voter information is to facilitate the election process in the State of Utah, but others have used it as an easily accessible Data "Treasure Trove" and used it for their own interests.
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- For over a decade County Clerks have lobbied the legislature to improve protections for voter information we believe the legislature accomplished that by allowing individuals to make the decision to privatize there information.
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- SB83 removes the ability for a citizen to choose to have their information protected (without cause). It still allows the majority of voter information to be made available to the public.

Thanks,

Curtis Koch
Davis County Clerk/Auditor
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From: Curtis Koch <ckoch@co.davis.ut.us>
Sent: Monday, April 13, 2020 11:31 AM
To: Justin Lee
Cc: Hatch,Ricky; Brian McKenzie; Cowley,Ryan; Sherrie Swensen; AmeliaP@utahcounty.gov; RozanMit@utahcounty.gov; Pam Tueller; Lincoln Shurtz; bryan@uacnet.org
Subject: Re: short talking point asks

All we need from the Legislature is:

1. Scrap current bill
2. Eliminate early voting
3. Extend the canvas to 21 days

That's what the Clerks have said since last Thursday.

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On Mon, Apr 13, 2020 at 11:21 AM Justin Lee <justinlee@utah.gov> wrote:

I know I'm a little bit of a broken record on this, but I don't think the Guard needs to be brought up to the legislature, since it's not really something they have any control over and may cause jurisdictional confusion.

Thanks,
Justin

Justin Lee
Director of Elections
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justinlee@utah.gov

On Mon, Apr 13, 2020 at 11:16 AM Hatch,Ricky <rhatch@co.weber.ut.us> wrote:

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On Thu, Feb 2, 2017 at 10:04 AM, Curtis Koch <ckoch@co.davis.ut.us> wrote:
Senator/Representative,

I am writing to encourage you to **oppose SB 114 1st Sub. - Election Law Administration**. As the individual responsible for administering elections in XXXXXXXXX County, I want you to know that the bill is **administratively impossible to implement**. Here are the key administrative challenges of the bill:

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Thank you for your consideration on this bill,

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On Mon, Jan 9, 2017 at 8:32 AM, Hatch, Ricky <rhatch@co.weber.ut.us> wrote:
Please look at the attached bill from Senator Thatcher and provide your feedback.
Thanks!

R.

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S®6 active, an AT&T 4G LTE smartphone

----- Original message -----

From: Mark Thomas <mjthomas@utah.gov>
Date: 1/8/17 8:28 PM (GMT-07:00)
To: "Hatch, Ricky" <rhatch@co.weber.ut.us>
Cc: Justin Lee <justinlee@utah.gov>
Subject: [CAUTION]Fwd: Thatcher Bill Draft

Ricky,

Can you send this out to the policy committee and get their feedback? Thank you.

Mark J. Thomas
Chief Deputy/Director of Elections
Lieutenant Governor's Office
[\(801\)538-1041](tel:(801)538-1041)

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: Brian Bean <bbean@le.utah.gov>
Date: January 6, 2017 at 4:06:00 PM EST
To: Mark Thomas <mjthomas@utah.gov>
Cc: Tom Vaughn <tvaughn@le.utah.gov>, Daniel Thatcher <dthatcher@le.utah.gov>
Subject: Thatcher Bill Draft

Mark,

Sen. Thatcher requested that we send you a copy of his draft legislation "Polling Location Amendments." You reviewed a previous version of this bill already. Sen. Thatcher also wanted to make sure that you knew that you have permission to share this draft with the county clerks if you wish.

Thanks,

Best Regards,

Curtis Koch
Clerk/Auditor
Davis County Government
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On Thu, Feb 2, 2017 at 12:38 PM, Justin Lee <justinlee@utah.gov> wrote:

Attached is a proposed timeline that has been discussed by members of the clerk's policy committee and the LG's office. It does a few basic things:

1. It moves the primary to the second week of June.
2. It allows the parties to start holding convention 2 weeks earlier in March.
3. It pushes the runoff to the third week in August instead of the second week in August.

We can discuss this at 1:30 for anyone that can get on the call.

[641-715-3580](tel:641-715-3580)

Access Code: 109251

Thanks,

Justin Lee
Deputy Director of Elections
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Ezekiel Lee

Legislative Affairs Manager

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Subject: [EXTERNAL]Utah Policy: Elections and RCV prompt

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Hi all,

Here's a first stab. Would love any feedback!

I realize this is WAAAAYY too long (1,100 words). I'll work on creating a short version tomorrow. Do we know approximately how many words they're looking for?

And do they want to separate the VBM discussion from the RCV discussion?

Finally, Since their questions are about RCV generally and not Winder's bill, I didn't include any comments about consistency for the voter. Consistency is the

best argument we have when it comes to the current situation and Winder's bill, so if we want to address it from that aspect, the document will look dramatically different. I saw their request as more of a theoretical discussion on the pros and cons.

Thanks,

R.

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Carpe Diem

"Ballots are ordered by sending an extract or list to the printer. Ballots are ordered

only for active registered voters, and each ballot is assigned a unique ballot ID number correlated to a voter in the database. That ID number is printed on the return envelope. When a ballot is returned by the voter, the ID number on the envelope

is scanned and the voter is immediately given credit in the database for having returned their ballot. If a voter doesn't receive their ballot or ruins their ballot and requests a new one, the ballot that was originally ordered for that voter is spoiled in

the database. A new ballot is ordered for the voter with a different ballot ID number."

Thank you,

Sherrie Swensen



Salt Lake County Clerk

sswensen@slco.org

8/14/2018	Runoff Election day	
8/21/2018	Runoff Canvass	

August-18

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
			1
5	6	7	8
12	13	14	15
		Runoff Election Day	
19	20	21	22
		Run Off Canvass	
26	27	28	29

Ricky Hatch, CPA, CPO

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SB114 – Election Law Amendments

As County Clerks have the statutory duty to serve as the election officers for each county and as the election administrator for all federal state and county elections we have reviewed the proposals made in SB114 and provide this information for consideration.

From the County's point of view there are two primary concerns with this proposed bill

1. An administratively impossible timeline for election officials to meet.

The primary election will be held on June 26, 2018, a county would complete the canvass of the primary election on July 11, 2018 and the state would complete their canvass on July 13, 2018. Ballots for a by mail runoff election will need to enter the mail system on July 24, 2018 (three weeks prior to the runoff). Under the current proposal it would provide seven (7) business days from the date of the state canvass to the date that ballots will need to be mailed to the voters.

Seven business days is not sufficient time to plan and prepare for an election. Included is a list of the minimum tasks that must be completed with their associated timeline in order to appropriately prepare for a runoff election.

Proposed Solution- Move the primary election day to the first week in June.

As currently provided for in state statute we average a 60 day preparation window for each election. As clerks we have reviewed our procedures, associated tasks, and statutory requirements that need to be accomplished, and believe that these could be accomplished within the 53 days provided by moving the primary to the first week in June. This is the absolute minimum time we need to provide the citizens with a secure, efficient, and accurate election.

2. Lack of clarity on the financial support provided by the state for the cost of a runoff election.

Current estimate on a statewide runoff type of an election is \$2.9 million. The current draft says "within funds appropriated by the Legislature for this purpose, the lieutenant governor shall reimburse each county for the expense, as determined by the lieutenant governor, of conducting a runoff election under this section" Yet this bill does not appropriate any monies for this purpose, nor does it provide a guarantee that the amount determined by the lieutenant governor will cover the full cost incurred by a county.

Proposed Solution- Provide a method that requires the legislature to appropriate adequate funds for this purpose and a specified process that will provide a full reimbursement of county expenses for each runoff election.

6/5/2018	Proposed Election Day	
6/19/2018	Proposed County Canvass	
6/21/2018	Proposed State Canvass	
6/22/2018	Program Database	This is the setting up of the election database, the designing of the ballots and set up of races for each precinct. Most counties do this themselves, but some use a vendor for this service.
6/25/2018	Review & proof database	Whether programmed by the county or an outside vendor the program needs to be reviewed and proofed for accuracy, this makes sure the correct ballot styles are created and assigned to their appropriate precincts, names are spelled correctly, etc.
6/26/2018	Ballot faces sent to printer	These are digital images of the ballots that are sent to the contracted printing company. The printing company takes the images and generates them onto the ballot formats. This process includes alignment of the ballot data with the timing marks, the generation of variable data, etc.
6/26/2018	Current Primary Election Day	

June-18

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
3	4	5	6
		PROPOSED PRIMARY ELECTION	
10	11	12	13
17	18	19	20
		PROPOSED COUNTY CANVASS	
24	25	26	27
	Review and proof Database	Ballot Faces sent to Printer	
		CURRENT PRIMARY ELECTION DAY	
			PROPO. CANVA

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Richard Branson

On Thu, Feb 4, 2021 at 10:53 PM Hatch,Ricky <rhatch@co.weber.ut.us> wrote:

Rep. Teuscher has changed the affiliation deadline from Jan. 1st to March 31st (in even years), which is fairly close to the deadline that many of our group said would get them to neutral (we currently oppose). Curtis and I are meeting with the Representative Friday at 11 AM, and we would like to know the group's position on this specific change before the meeting.

Please complete this one-question survey (one response per county, please) before 10 AM so we have time to see what the group's feelings are with this new proposal.

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The representative has proactively reached out to us multiple times, even though Leadership assured him that there are enough votes to pass the bill regardless of our input, so I'd like to show him that we're responsive to his efforts to work with us. He seems to be interested in elections, and could become a good advocate, or at least a listening legislator, and we definitely appreciate those kinds of legislators!

Thanks!

R.

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Best,

LinkedIn

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Matthew Sampson** <mbsampson@sbgvtv.com>

Date: Thu, Oct 22, 2020 at 5:19 PM

Subject: Electioneering/protesting near drop boxes?

To: justinlee@utah.gov <justinlee@utah.gov>

Hello Justin,

I hope this email finds you well as we near Election Day. I wanted to check with you on a question about drop boxes. As you know, Utah law prohibits campaigning, electioneering, and other disruptions within 150 feet of a polling place. What about ballot drop boxes? A number of ballot drop boxes have been set up at various locations throughout Utah because of the pandemic. Some of these drop boxes are at polling places and county clerk's offices which would include that 150 foot rule for polling places, but what about those drop boxes that are away from government offices? Could someone protest or campaign for a candidate at a drop box location?

Let me know if you might be able to provide any context.

Thanks,

Matt Sampson

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Subject: [EXTERNAL]Fwd: mail ballot help

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Good morning,

Could any of you send me examples of your ballot envelopes and instructions? Georgia is looking for help and examples of how it's done here in Utah.

Thanks,
Justin

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Office of the Lieutenant Governor
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----- Forwarded message -----
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Date: Tue, Mar 30, 2021 at 11:45 AM
Subject: mail ballot help
To: justinlee@utah.gov <justinlee@utah.gov>

Justin,

Can you send me a set of your mail ballot envelopes with any accompanying forms/instructions?

We need to update ours due to new legislation.

Thanks

Chris Harvey

GA. Sec. of State's Office

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Please send your ballot back to your county clerk as soon as you can. You must be a registered Republican in order to vote in the Republican Primary. The deadline for registering as a Republican is Friday, June 19. Please call us at 801.688.2020 or visit www.huntsman2020.com for additional information. Thank you for your support!



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"But there have been a lot of changes since then," she notes.

For example, former Democratic state senator Jim Dabakis urged Democrats to switch affiliation just for the primary to have a voice in the heavily Republican state for the many races here that are essentially decided in the GOP primary. Democratic leader Kem Gardner also wrote a Tribune op-ed urging the same saying the real Utah governor's race is in June, not November, given that a Democrat hasn't been elected to the office in 40 years.

So, people who re-registered since May 15 initially received a ballot for their former party. If they were unaffiliated, they may have received a ballot for nonpartisan primaries for local school boards.

"Most Democrats who re-affiliated understand that they received a Democratic ballot" and another may come because of the timing, Swensen said. "But many former unaffiliated voters that receive a nonpartisan school board ballot are like, 'Oh, I registered with the Republican Party, but I only got a ballot with the school board.'"

Swensen said all counties have the same practice to automatically void the earlier ballot sent to such people, "so it won't count if they send it in." And clerks send out a new one.

She said people have a deadline of June 19 to register or switch party affiliation and still receive a new by-mail ballot. Unaffiliated voters (but not Democrats) may also register as Republican at in-person election day voting centers or at early voting sites.



If you recently switched from Unaffiliated to Republican, you may have been sent a nonpartisan ballot. **If you happened to have already completed and sent in the nonpartisan ballot before receiving your Republican ballot, do not worry. You still have the option to complete and send in your Republican ballot as soon as it arrives in your mailbox.** Your county clerk will then ensure that the nonpartisan ballot you may have sent in will not count. Instead, they will count your Republican ballot.

The same process applies to Democrats who may have switched to Republican. If you happen to have already completed and sent in your Democratic ballot, you can still send in your Republican ballot once it arrives in your mailbox. Your county clerk will not count your Democratic ballot, and will instead count your Republican ballot.

For additional information on some of the ballot confusion that has occurred, Lee Davidson from the Salt Lake Tribune penned a helpful article today providing further explanation. Please see below or [click here](#) for the full article.

If you recently registered as Republican but didn't get a GOP ballot, Utah election officials say you'll get a new one



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That certainly is true IF the voter spoils the ballot before we scan the envelope, but this ad doesn't say that. I think it may lead voters to think that they could cancel it any time, and we would spoil the ballot.

Anyway, just thought I'd share.

Thanks,

R.

From: Ricky Hatch <ricky.hatch@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, June 12, 2020 11:12 PM

To: Hatch,Ricky

Subject: [EXTERNAL]Fwd: Did you receive the correct primary ballot?

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----- Forwarded message -----

From: Jon Huntsman <jon@huntsman2020.com>

Date: Fri, Jun 12, 2020 at 6:44 PM

Subject: Did you receive the correct primary ballot?

To: Ricky Hatch <ricky.hatch@gmail.com>

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Counties that use the absentee ID can pull spoiled ballots out and then count the active ballot that comes in. Some counties use the voter ID, and they count the first ballot that comes in.

Brian and Sherrie make excellent points about the Affiliation deadline and the extracts. 11 days versus 30 days makes little difference because some counties send their extract as early as 50-55 days before an election. We've been dealing with this for years. We usually have to send our extracts between 35-45 days before because of the national volume and the fact that we truck them to Salt Lake. To capture all affiliation changes it would have to be 60 days and would disenfranchise thousands of voters. That would however make some campaigns very happy.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 13, 2020, at 12:32 AM, Sherrie Swensen <SSwensen@slco.org> wrote:

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Yes, I agree that it is very broadly stated. We certainly don't want the public to think that vote-by-mail allows people to return two ballots. That is not good.

From: Hatch, Ricky <rhatch@co.weber.ut.us>
Sent: Saturday, June 13, 2020 12:22 AM
To: Sherrie Swensen <SSwensen@slco.org>
Cc: Cowley, Ryan <rcowley@co.weber.ut.us>; Justin Lee - State Election Division (justinlee@utah.gov) <justinlee@utah.gov>; Derek Brenchley <dbrenchley@utah.gov> (dbrenchley@utah.gov) <dbrenchley@utah.gov>; Curtis Koch <ckoch@co.davis.ut.us>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL]RE: minor misinformation from Huntsman campaign

Thanks Sherrie. Yes, I think the other counties do the same thing. Maybe I over analyzed their comments, but if a voter votes their unaffiliated ballot, and we scan it in and verify their signature, it's too late at that point for them to switch balance. The way I read the Huntsman flyer is that it didn't matter when they cast their 1st ballot, that we would be able to pull it out and have them vote the R ballot.

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Please forgive any typos. My phone's speech to text feature is either imperfect or mischievous.

----- Original message -----

From: Sherrie Swensen <SSwensen@slco.org>
Date: 6/13/20 12:06 AM (GMT-07:00)
To: "Hatch, Ricky" <rhatch@co.weber.ut.us>
Cc: "Cowley, Ryan" <rcowley@co.weber.ut.us>, "Justin Lee - State Election Division (justinlee@utah.gov)" <justinlee@utah.gov>, "Derek Brenchley <dbrenchley@utah.gov> (dbrenchley@utah.gov)" <dbrenchley@utah.gov>, Curtis Koch <ckoch@co.davis.ut.us>

Michelle Blue

From: Cowley,Ryan <rcowley@co.weber.ut.us>
Sent: Thursday, February 4, 2021 1:33 PM
To: Hatch,Ricky; Justin Lee; VSUsersGroup Voting-Systems-Users-Group
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL]GRAMA Request for Ballots

I don't have time to research all of the areas, but here are a couple of sections of code. I bolded the important parts.

20A-4-106. Manual ballots -- Sealing.

- (1) After the official canvas of an election, the election officer shall store all election returns in containers that identify the containers' contents.**
- (2) After the ballots are stored under Subsection (1), the ballots may not be examined by anyone, except when examined during a recount conducted** under the authority of Section 20A-4-401 or Title 20A, Chapter 4, Part 6, Municipal Alternate Voting Methods Pilot Project.

20A-4-202. Election officers -- Disposition of ballots -- Release of number of provisional ballots cast.

- (1) Upon receipt of the election returns from the poll workers, the election officer shall:
 - (a) ensure that the poll workers have provided all of the ballots and election returns;
 - (b) inspect the ballots and election returns to ensure that they are sealed;
 - (c) for manual ballots, deposit and lock the ballots and election returns in a safe and secure place;
 - (d) for mechanical ballots:
 - (i) count the ballots; and
 - (ii) deposit and lock the ballots and election returns in a safe and secure place; and
 - (e) for bond elections, provide a copy of the election results to the board of canvassers of the local political subdivision that called the bond election.
- (2) Each election officer shall:
 - (a) before 5 p.m. on the day after the date of the election, determine the number of provisional ballots cast within the election officer's jurisdiction and make that number available to the public;
 - (b) preserve ballots for 22 months after the election or until the time has expired during which the ballots could be used in an election contest;**
 - (c) preserve all other official election returns for at least 22 months after an election; and**
 - (d) after that time, destroy them without opening or examining them.**
- (3)
 - (a) The election officer shall package and retain all tabulating cards and other materials used in the programming of the automatic tabulating equipment.
 - (b) The election officer:
 - (i) may access these tabulating cards and other materials;
 - (ii) may make copies of these materials and make changes to the copies;
 - (iii) may not alter or make changes to the materials themselves; and
 - (iv) within 22 months after the election in which they were used, may dispose of those materials or retain them.
- (4)
 - (a) If an election contest is begun within 12 months, the election officer shall:
 - (i) keep the ballots and election returns unopened and unaltered until the contest is complete; or
 - (ii) surrender the ballots and election returns to the custody of the court having jurisdiction of the contest when ordered or subpoenaed to do so by that court.
 - (b) When all election contests arising from an election are complete, the election officer shall either:
 - (i) retain the ballots and election returns until the time for preserving them under this section has run; or

specifically, the date that the absentee ballot was mailed to the voter, and the date that the voted absentee ballot was received by the election officer.

Has anyone else received one? Does anyone know of a list that can be run?

Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely

Melanie



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I have looked at the subscription reports because I thought the absentee ballot sent report would be what they wanted, but it does not list the ballot type that was sent..



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From: Justin Lee <justinlee@utah.gov>
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2020 9:41 AM
To: Cowley, Ryan <rcowley@co.weber.ut.us>
Cc: Melanie Abplanalp <Melanie.Abplanalp@washco.utah.gov>; vsug@utah.gov; Derek Brenchley <dbrenchley@utah.gov>
Subject: Re: Mike Bloomberg GRAMA Request

We could provide statewide date on this type of thing, although I wonder if they're looking for information that is basically found in the subscription reports that are run. Can you send us the contact info and we can reach and see if they are only looking for specific counties, or if this is a statewide thing?

Justin Lee

Director of Elections

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legislative staff members and those from the media—will have the opportunity to interact with several voting system vendors, who will demonstrate how their systems work during an election. The EAC also will have a “booth,” to explain Voluntary Voting System Guidelines, Post-Election Audits, and IT/Elections Needs in today’s elections environment.

The morning will be webcast and recorded, for anyone who can’t attend live, and will feature panels comprised of local and state election officials, as well as senior government officials who have focused on security and elections.

Details are on the flier. A link for more details and to register is here: <https://www.eac.gov/events/2018/10/03/eac-election-readiness-summit/>

If you are in town that day, we hope to see you. Otherwise, we hope you’ll be able to catch the event live, streaming, or watch it later on your schedule as we get closer to November 6.

Take care,

Brian D. Newby
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On behalf of EAC Vice-Chair Christy McCormick, the Designated Federal Officer for EAC's Standards Board, this is a note in advance of the upcoming Standards Board meeting in Miami from **April 19-20**, with the optional early events on **April 18**--a morning tour of the Miami-Dade Emergency Operations Center and an afternoon Public Forum with EAC Commissioners, "**Perspectives from Election Officials on Security the 2018 Vote.**"

Before the meeting, we ask that you complete a brief survey that will help facilitate discussions at the meeting. It should only take about 10 minutes or less of your time to complete.

Click here to be directed to the survey: <http://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/4132088/2018-Standards-Board-Meeting>.

After completion, you will receive a confirmation email including a PDF of your answers. Please check your spam/junk folder if you do not see it in your inbox. Please complete the survey by Tuesday, April 10th COB.

We also are making some final modifications to the April 19-20 agenda as we finalize guest speakers and adjust the staff presentation time to include discussions of the new **2018 HAVA Funds** recently appropriated by Congress. A finalized agenda will be send out to you by end of day Tuesday as well.

We are looking forward to our meeting in Miami. In the meantime, should you have any questions concerning any aspect of the meeting, please email or call.

Brian D. Newby
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On behalf of Commissioner and Vice-Chair Christy McCormick, the EAC's Designated Financial Officer for the Standards Board, I am sending a quick note to ask that you please reply with the dates of any 2019 election-related conferences you have scheduled for your state. We are excited at the prospect of soon having four Commissioners—pending the confirmation of Ben Hovland and Donald Palmer—at the EAC, the first time the agency has been fully staffed with Commissioners in 10 years. We anticipate the new Commissioners, as well as Commissioners McCormick and Thomas Hicks, will be eager to participate in as many local events as possible in the upcoming year.

If you have such events, please reply with the dates and locations. I will be compiling all the responses for a meeting with the four Commissioners in January. In the meantime, please know that the Commissioners—and the EAC staff—greatly appreciate the support you provide the agency and the agency's mission of helping voters and election administrators navigate in what have become increasingly challenging times.

Best wishes for a peaceful close to 2018,

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