

Department of Elections FY2021 Joint Finance Committee Presentation

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Achievements

- Acceptance and deployment of new voting equipment
 - New equipment demonstrations
- Conversion to new operating systems
 - Strong partnership with DTI/DMV/DHSS
 - System implementation and team training
- iVote.de.gov
 - Security enhancements
- Communications
 - Developing PIO position

Achievements

- Communications
 - Initiation of YouTube channel
 - Transfer of training/instructional videos (existing) and development of new videos leveraging features available via YouTube
- Standardizing training materials
- System Security
 - Close partnership with DTI/DHS

Campaign Finance

- Offering ongoing training on Campaign Finance
 - Providing in-person and web-based options
 - Includes video-based training modules, now available via Department's YouTube channel
- Detailed compliance notification procedures
- Implementing Reports Appeals Subcommittee (of Board of Elections); Duties include:
 - Hearing appeals of parties assessed fines for late filing of reports
 - Report to Department of Justice parties not reporting or not taking action following a hearing

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- Delaware's online voter registration and information system permits a voter to:
 - register to vote & update/cancel voter registration
 - update their address, name, and party affiliation
 - request a polling place card
 - complete an absentee ballot affidavit
 - find their polling place
 - Google Maps location service/driving instructions
 - view their sample ballot
 - obtain info regarding their elected officials

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- Enhancing security
 - Implementing more stringent security requirements for registering to vote or updating voter registration record via iVote
 - Continue to offer extensive functionality with an updated and more user-friendly appearance

Voter registration

- Electronic Records Information Center (ERIC) allows the Department to deal with Delaware voters who have:
 - died out-of-state
 - registered to vote in another state
 - different registration and DMV addresses
 - duplicate registration records
- Integration of ERIC with new elections systems

Communications

- Standardizing web content among offices
- Increased communication on Department activities, including social media platforms
 - Standardization of Facebook presence
- Development of informational and training videos
 - Migration to YouTube
 - Working with GIC to ensure compliance with State standards and best practices

Outreach and Training

- Municipal Elections
 - Ongoing structured training for municipalities (municipal Boards of Elections and staff)
 - Election support (equipment/documentation/election officer training)
- Voter Registrar Training
 - Scheduled trainings offered in all counties
- Community Events

Organizational improvements

- Adapting workflow and procedures following conversion to new systems
 - Adapting new efficiencies
- Continue work on standardizing procedures Statewide
- Common training materials for Election Offices (poll workers)

New Voting Equipment

- Voting Machines with Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trail (VVPAT)
 - Full-face ballot with paper backup
 - Paper ballot is official ballot of record for recount and audit purposes
- Pollbooks for voter check-in
 - Increased security, efficiency, and convenience for voters

New Voting Equipment

- Updated absentee ballot printers and scanners/tabulators
- Updated Voter Registration and Election Management System

Additional HAVA Funding

- \$3.031M in Help America Vote Act (HAVA) funding awarded to the State
 - State match of 20% required
 - To be secured by 12/10/2021
- Focus on use of funds to enhance Elections Security
 - Elections facilities physical Security/access systems/surveillance
 - Enhanced cybersecurity protocols

National Connections

- Delaware is represented on:
 - Elections Infrastructure-Information Sharing and Analysis Center (EI-ISAC)
 - Electronic Registration Information Center (ERIC) Board of Directors
 - National Association of State Election Directors Board
 - Election Center Postal Task Force
 - USPS Mailers Technical Advisory Committee
 - Election Assistance Commission Standards Board

Thank You & Any Questions?

