Amendments proposed to Ban Internet Connections to Any Component of a Voting System

Recommended revisions:

◆ Change the proposed HAVA Section 301(a)(11) to:

"No component of any voting system shall be connected, either directly or indirectly, to the Internet at any time."

Revised section is below:

- "(11) PROHIBITING CONNECTION OF SYSTEM OR TRANSMISSION OF SYSTEM INFORMATION OVER THE INTERNET.—No component of any voting device upon which votes are cast shall be connected to the Internet at any time. No component of any voting system shall be connected, either directly or indirectly, to the Internet at any time."
- ♦ In the proposed HAVA Section 301(a)(2)(C), after "the requirements of such Act and this Act,"
 - delete "except that to the extent that such protocols permit the use of electronic mail in the delivery or submission of such ballots, paragraph (11) shall not apply with respect to the delivery or submission of the ballots."
 - and add "and are in conformance with paragraph (11)."

Revised section is below:

"(C) SPECIAL RULE FOR VOTES CAST BYABSENT MILITARY AND OVERSEAS VOTERS.—In the case of votes cast by absent uniformed services voters and overseas voters under the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, the ballots cast by such voters shall serve as the permanent paper ballot under subparagraph (A) in accordance with protocols established by the Commission, in consultation with the Secretary of Defense after notice and opportunity for public comment, which preserve the privacy of the voter and are consistent with the requirements of such Act and this Act, except that to the extent that such protocols permit the use of electronic mail in the delivery or submission of such ballots, paragraph (11) shall not apply with respect to the delivery or submission of the ballots. and are in conformance with paragraph (11).

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