



LR 335 Recommendations: Recommendations of Policy Changes to Implement 2014 Presidential Commission on Election Administration Recommendations in Nebraska

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Executive Summary

Nebraskans for Civic Reform recommends the following policy initiatives:

1. Nebraska join the Electronic Registration Information Center (ERIC)
2. Require state and local agencies required to provide voter registration material to prominently place the online voter registration link on their website
3. Creation of collaborative partnership to recruit and train bilingual poll-workers
4. Expand the Youth Election Service program to include college students
5. Encourage school districts to make Election Day an in-service day
6. Require the Secretary of State to promulgate uniform poll worker training standards
7. Create a voter advisory board with representatives from various communities in Nebraska including voters with disability and limited-English proficiency
8. Extend required publication of sample ballots to cover early voting period
9. Allow for publication of Spanish ballots in Spanish newspapers
10. Establish a permanent vote-by-mail list for those with disabilities
11. Allow for early voting on weekends and a process by which county citizens may request weekend early voting from their election official.
12. Require post-election audits and publication of such audits currently performed by Secretary of State's office on a voluntary basis.
13. Create an Election Technology Fund and Advisory Board.
14. Create uniform forms for the voluntary collection of data and publish a report on the SOS website of data voluntarily submitted.