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## **Resolution for Election Vote Accuracy**

Whereas, Voters in Florida cannot prove their vote is being counted properly using the current electronic voting machine system and under state law each registered voter in this state has the right to vote and have his or her vote accurately counted as provided for in Florida State Statute 101.031 (2) Voter's Bill of Rights;

Whereas, Voters in Florida cannot trust the vote results from the mandatory use of unsecure Electronic Voting Machines designed and run by private companies that perform a critical governmental function. They refuse to disclose their software and system components and subject them to public evaluation by claiming its proprietary and confidential;

Whereas, The largest supplier of electronic voting systems, ES&S, patent\* claims they have unlimited control of all data before, during and after the election by virtual unlimited control access without government oversight;

Whereas, Certification standards put forth by the Federal Government under HAVA law by the Election Assistance Commission states\*\* all Electronic Voting Machines connected to the internet have been shown to be susceptible to manipulation through internal or external intrusion to alter votes and vote tallies and therefore the voter cannot trust the accuracy of their vote;

Whereas, Many Countries have stopped the use of Electronic Voting Machines including The Netherlands in 2007, Germany in 2009, Ireland in 2010, Japan in 2018 and Canada, France, United Kingdom and Switzerland use hand counted paper ballots; and

Whereas, The system of manually counting paper ballots which has been used for centuries enables the observers to easily ensure their votes are accurately counted;

**Resolved,** That the LCREC calls upon the Florida Legislature, the Secretary of State, and the Governor of Florida to abide by Florida Law and the Will of the Public to use their authority to prohibit the use of Electronic Voting Machines in the State of Florida. We urge instead the use of paper ballots and manual counting systems to comply with the Voter's Bill of Rights as provided for in Florida Statute 101.031 (2) to ensure his or her vote is accurately counted.

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\* <https://patents.google.com/patent/US8352312B2/en>

\*\*[https://www.eac.gov/sites/default/files/TestingCertification/Voluntary\\_Voting\\_System\\_Guidelines\\_Version\\_2.0.pdf](https://www.eac.gov/sites/default/files/TestingCertification/Voluntary_Voting_System_Guidelines_Version_2.0.pdf) Page 12 External Network Connections

## **SUPPORT DOCUMENTATION**

### **The Florida Election Code – Florida Statute 101.031 (F.S. 2022)**

#### VOTER BILL OF RIGHTS

Each registered voter in this state has the right to:

- 1. Vote and have his or her vote accurately counted.**

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### **Requirements for Voluntary Voting System Guidelines Version 2.0 (VVSG)(February 10, 2021)**

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The United States Congress passed the Help America Vote Act of 2002(HAVA02) which included the Voluntary Voting System Guidelines Version 2.0; excerpt from page 12:

#### EXTERNAL NETWORK CONNECTIONS

VVSG(Voluntary Voting System Guidelines)2.0 **does not permit devices or components using external network connections to be part of the voting system.** There are significant security concerns introduced when networked devices are then connected to the voting system.

The external network connection leaves the voting system vulnerable to attacks, regardless of whether the connection is only for a limited period or if it is continuously connected.

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**United States Patent # US 8,352,312 issued Jan. 8, 2013**

Assignee: ES&S Innovations, LLC

ABSTRACT

**The present invention is directed to a system and method that allows a central election office to maintain control over actions taken on voting devices located at various polling locations.**

CLAIMS

What is claimed and desired to be secured by Letters Patent is as follows:

1. A computer-implemented method for controlling actions taken on voting devices
12. The computer-implemented method of claim 1, wherein the voting device comprises a poll book.
14. The computer-implemented method of claim 12, wherein the action comprises using the poll book to change a voter address.
18. The computer-implemented method of claim 12, wherein the action comprises synchronizing a database of the poll book with a central database.
21. The computer-implemented method of claim 1, wherein the voting device comprises a ballot tabulation device.
22. The computer-implemented method of claim 21, wherein the action comprises clearing the vote totals of the ballot tabulation device.
27. The computer implemented method of claim 21, wherein the action comprises disabling a function of the ballot tabulation device.
28. The computer-implemented method of claim 21, wherein the action comprises installing a memory device in the ballot tabulation device.

