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Good Morning:

Elections Committee Conference Call Notice - Thursday, June 13, 2013 at 1PM EDT

NASS Elections Committee Members, please mark your calendars. Our next Elections Committee call is scheduled for Thursday, June 13, 2013 from 1PM - 2PM (EDT). We will be sending out a notice with dial-in information and an agenda in the next day or so.

FVAP/DOD Proposed Amendments for the National Defense Authorization Act in the Senate

We were forwarded the attached UOCAVA Amendments which appears to come from DOD (FVAP) with some legislative language for consideration in the 2014 National Defense Authorization Act. The changes are pretty similar to the amendments that have been proposed by DOJ for the past couple of years .. private right of action, removal of waiver, multiple new reporting requirements for states, states certifying for local responsibilities, etc. We have summarized the sections and attached the summary document for your convenience. The House Armed Services Committee will hold their full committee markup hearing on the National Defense Authorization Act next week. The House Armed Services Personnel Subcommittee mark does not currently contain these amendments. On Tuesday, June 11, the Senate Armed Services Personnel Subcommittee will hold their markup. If you support or have concerns about the proposed amendments, please reach out to your Members of Congress.

House Admin to Hold Hearing on 6/04 on HR 2115, The Voter Registration Efficiency Act and a Business Meeting on HR 1994 EAC Termination Act

House Administration will hold a hearing next Tuesday, June 4th on HR 2115 the Voter Registration Efficiency Act introduced by House Admin Chair Candice Miller (R-MI) and co-sponsored by Rep. Todd Rokita (R-IN). For those of you who attended the NASS 2013 Winter conference, you may remember Rep. Rokita discussing this bill. Additionally, at the request of House Admin, we sent the text to NASS Election Committee members back in early April asking for their input. The bill provides that state motor vehicle authorities must require individuals applying for a motor vehicle license to indicate whether the individual resides or resided in another state prior to applying, and if so whether the individual intends for the state to serve as the person's residence for purposes of voting.

Additionally on Tuesday, June 4th, the committee just announced they will hold a markup hearing on HR 1994 the Election Assistance Termination Act which was recently introduced by Rep. Harper. This bill is in addition to the previous EAC termination bill he introduced in January, HR 260. HR 1994 terminates the EAC 60 days after the bill is enacted, including the Standards Board, the Board of Advisors, and the TGDC. It transfers back to the FEC, NVRA provisions concerning the mail

registration form that were transferred to the EAC under HAVA. Unlike the previous bill, this one doesn't say anything about the certification and testing program or other EAC functions, it eliminates the TGDC, and it does not create any new replacement board for the standards board and board of advisors. Again, if you support or have concerns about the proposed legislation, please reach out to your members of Congress.

Below is the summary of the two bills:

HR 1994 (introduced 5/15/13)

Terminates the Election Assistance Commission (EAC), including the Standards Board, the Board of Advisors, and the Technical Guidelines Development Committee, effective 60 days after enactment of the bill. Effective on the date of termination, transfers back to the FEC authority under NVRA involving the national mail voter registration form, which was transferred to the EAC as part of HAVA.

HR 260 (1/15/13)

Terminates the Election Assistance Commission (EAC), including the Standards Board and the Board of Advisors, effective 60 days after enactment of the bill. Transfers the following functions to the Federal Election Commission (FEC): the functions and personnel of the EAC's Voting System Testing and Certification program; adoption of voluntary voting system guidelines; testing and certification of voting system hardware and software by accredited laboratories; maintenance of a clearinghouse of voting system information; development of standards for state UOCAVA ballot reports and receipt of those reports; NVRA duties (prescribing regulations, mail voter registration form, biennial report to Congress); guidelines and technical assistance for UOCAVA electronic voting demonstration projects; technical assistance for UOCAVA pilot programs utilizing technology. Replaces the current Standards Board and Board of Advisors with a 82-member Guidelines Review Board (the Board). Terminates public financing of presidential election campaigns and party conventions.

Thanks.
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