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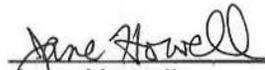
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April 13, 2012

County Clerk/Registrar of Voters (CC/ROV) Memorandum #12124

TO: All County Clerks/Registrars of Voters

FROM:


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RE: Presidential Primary Election: Survey 1 on Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment Act (MOVE) Ballot Delivery and Receipt

On April 2, 2012, CCROV # 12114 was sent to county elections officials to outline the provisions of the MOVE Act.

Like county elections officials, the Secretary of State (SOS) wants to ensure that military and overseas voters are afforded every possible legal means of requesting and receiving special absentee ballots and election materials expeditiously.

The SOS has been asked by the United States Department of Justice to report on the use of special absentee ballots and the SOS would also like to compile other useful information to assist Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) voters.

If you haven't already done so, you may wish to visit the FVAP's website at www.fvap.gov to review recent upgrades, including a web page devoted to resources "For Election Officials," an Online Registration/Absentee Ballot Request Assistant, Registration/Absentee Ballot Request Form, and downloadable Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot.

Please complete and return the attached survey via fax to (916) 653-3214 or email to jane.howell@sos.ca.gov no later than **Wednesday, April 18, 2012**. If you have any questions, please contact me directly at (916) 653-2744. Thank you for your assistance.

Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment Act (MOVE Act)
June 5, 2012, Presidential Primary Election
Survey 1

County: _____

1. Do special absentee voters receive the same ballot that polling place voters or vote-by-mail voters receive in your county?
 - YES
 - YES, if ballots are printed and available
 - NO

2. If voters do not receive the same ballot that polling place voters or vote-by-mail voters receive, do they receive the blank ballot provided by the Secretary of State and a list of candidates and measures to be voted on?
 - a. YES
 - b. NO, the county provides something else to the voter
 - c. If NO, please specify what is provided to the voter.

3. How are voter registration applications provided to special absentee voters?
 - Voters are emailed voter registration materials
 - Voters are faxed voter registration materials
 - Voters are mailed voter registration materials
 - Voters are provided a link to the Federal Postcard Application (FPCA) online at the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website
 - Voters are provided a link to the Secretary of State's website, which includes a link to the FPCA on the FVAP website
 - Other, please specify:

4. How are special absentee ballots provided to special absentee voters?
 - Voters are emailed a ballot (whenever an email address is available)
 - Voters are emailed a ballot only upon request
 - Voters are faxed a ballot upon request
 - Voters are mailed a ballot
 - If the method of delivery depends upon the circumstances, please specify (e.g., all voters are mailed ballots at E-60, but ballots requested after that date are emailed or faxed upon request; or the voter is referred to the county website where a sample ballot can be downloaded, printed, marked and faxed or mailed): _____

5. Can a special absentee voter verify his/her registration status online? If yes, please identify the website URL: _____
6. Can a special absentee voter verify receipt of their voted ballot? If yes, please identify the website URL: _____
7. If your county offers an online sample ballot that may be accessed by UOCAVA voters and used for voting purposes, please identify the website URL:

8. If your county offers a special web page for military and overseas voters, please identify the website URL:

Please provide a brief explanation of what your website or system allows the voter to do (e.g., access a voter registration form and request a ballot, download a sample ballot, etc.): _____

9. Are any other resources available online to military and overseas voters via your county website? If so, please briefly explain and identify the website URL:

10. What type of ballot do you send to military and overseas voters beginning 60 days before the election (e.g., sample ballot, Secretary of State provided blank ballot and a list of candidates and measures)?

11. What form(s) of electronic transmission can military and overseas voters use to request and receive election materials from your county (e.g., fax, email, or county website)?

12. What fax number(s) can be used by military and overseas voters to submit completed special absentee ballots to your county? _____

County contact: _____ Phone Number: _____

Please send responses to:
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