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County Clerk/Registrar of Voters (CC/ROV) Memorandum #26230

TO: All County Clerks/Registrars of Voters

FROM: /s/ Nicholas Steele
Elections Analyst

RE: General Election: UOCAVA/MOVE Act Survey and Schedule

At the request of the United States Department of Justice (USDOJ), all of California's 58 counties must respond to a survey for the upcoming election regarding the absentee ballots transmitted to voters covered under the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA), of which the Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment (MOVE) Act is a part.

Please review the attached **draft** of the survey and contact our office should you have any questions.

As a reminder, the deadline for transmitting UOCAVA ballots is E-45, which falls on Saturday, September 19, 2026. This deadline does not roll to Monday. E-45 means E-45. If your county has already begun/finished transmitting UOCAVA ballots, please note that you must still transmit ballots by E-45 if a valid request is received by E-45.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at mov@sos.ca.gov or (916) 698-1273. Thank you.

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**Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA)
Survey in Compliance with USDOJ
November 3, 2026, General Election**

County of: _____

**Please send responses no later than 12:00 Noon
on Monday, September 21, 2026, to:
Email: mov@sos.ca.gov
Or via Fax: (916) 653-3214
ATTN: Kalieka Edwards**

1. Number of valid UOCAVA ballot requests received by your county on or before E-45 (Saturday, September 19, 2026) from any voter entitled to vote pursuant to UOCAVA:

2. Number of UOCAVA ballots transmitted by your county by E-45 (Saturday, September 19, 2026) for valid requests received by that date: _____

**If any county has failed to comply with the E-45 deadline, as prescribed by the
MOVE Act, the USDOJ would like the following information:**

3. If valid UOCAVA ballot requests were received by E-45 (Saturday, September 19, 2026), but not transmitted by E-45 (Saturday, September 19, 2026), please provide the following information:

Domestic Military	Overseas Military	Overseas Civilian
# by mail: _____	# by mail: _____	# by mail: _____
# by fax: _____	# by fax: _____	# by fax: _____
# by email: _____	# by email: _____	# by email: _____

Please provide an explanation as to why UOCAVA ballots were transmitted late and if the method used to transmit the late UOCAVA ballots was the method requested by the voter:

County Contact: _____ Phone Number: _____