Oregon’s Alternate Format Ballot

From XP to Surface – and Beyond
Significance of Vote by Mail

“Most places require the voter to go to the ballot. But in Oregon, the ballot comes to the voter.”

-- Secretary of State Bill Bradbury, 2007.
Vote-by-Mail – What Voters Get

[Image of a ballot and ballot envelope with text on it]
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November 6, 2012 : 34-30

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The measure creates the Oregon Cannabis Commission, appointed by the Governor, to carry out the provisions of the measure. The state's Chief Financial Office believes the appointment of the commission will not add noteworthy cost to state expenditures.

The cost of operating the Commission may be similar to the cost of operating the existing Oregon Liquor Control Commission, which is about $22 million per year, excluding the variable expenses related to compensating liquor store owners and paying bank card fees. Total additional revenues to state government are indeterminate, but revenues are likely to be sufficient to offset the expenditures of the Commission.

The measure requires the Oregon Cannabis Commission to consult with the Board of Pharmacy on various issues and, if practicable, to establish certain rules. As the Commission is not granted rule-making authority, the Board of Pharmacy may be called upon to establish those rules. The Board of Pharmacy estimates the need for one half-time pharmacist, at a cost of approximately $75,000 per year, to carry out these additional duties.

State expenditures would be reduced by the amount that the state pays for felony offenders with related convictions in prison and on probation. The savings to the state as a result of the passage of this measure is estimated to be between $1.4 million and $2.4 million a year.

The measure prohibits the disclosure of names and addresses of applicants, licensees, and purchasers of cannabis except upon the person's request. The Oregon Judicial Department estimates additional expenditures of between $1.6 million and $3.3 million per year to ensure court case files do not contain such names or addresses prior to allowing them to be viewed by parties to a case, the public, or the media.

The amount of the impact for local law enforcement, district attorneys, and the courts is indeterminate.

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Statewide Partisan: Secretary of State 4 Year Term (Vote for 1)
You voted for: Robert Wolfe (Progressive)

Statewide Partisan: State Treasurer 4 Year Term (Vote for 1)
You voted for: John F Mahler (Libertarian)

Statewide Partisan: Attorney General 4 Year Term (Vote for 1)
You voted for: Ellen Rosenblum (Democrat)

Senate District 17: State Senator, 17th District 2 Year Term (Vote for 1)
You voted for: John Verbeek (Republican)

House District 33: State Representative, 33rd District 2 Year Term (Vote for 1)
You voted for: Stevan Kirkpatrick (Republican)
You voted for: Mitch Greenlick (Democrat)
You voted for more than 1 Your vote will not count for this race

Statewide Nonpartisan: Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries 2 Year Term (Vote for 1)
You voted for: Brad Avakian

Statewide Nonpartisan: Judge of the Supreme Court, Position 3 6 Year Term (Vote for 1)
You voted for: Nena Cook
Problems with ACS’s

- Purchased in 2007
- Ran Home Version of XP
- Specially configured ZoomText Reader
- Peripheral drivers often not compatible
- Election staff not IT skilled
- Only way to update OS or drivers was to have IT tech physically visit each office
- But … they worked!
Added a Large Print Ballot in 2009
- 11 x 17 and 8.5 x 14
- 18 point Aphont font
- Voters request LPB as their ballot of choice
- Need for LPB printed ballot growing
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**Official Ballot - Deschutes County, Oregon - November 6, 2012**

**Instructions to Voter - Use A Pen (Blue or Black Ink)**

To ensure your vote counts, completely fill in the oval ☐ to the left of the response of your choice.

To write in a name, write the name on the solid line and fill the oval ☐ to the left of the write-in line.

Attention: Remember to inspect your ballot for mistakes! If you make a mistake, call your County Elections Office (541) 388-6547 to ask for a replacement ballot.

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  - or write-in:

**US Congressional District 2**

Representative in Congress, 2nd District, 2 Year Term (Vote for 1)

- Joyce B Segea
  - Democrat, Working Families
- Greg Walden
  - Republican
- Joe Tabor
  - Libertarian
- Libertarian or write-in:

**Statewide Party**

**Secretary of State, 4 Year Term**

(Vote for 1)

- Seth Woolley
  - Pacific Green
- Robert Wolfe
  - Progressive
- Bruce Alexander Knight
  - Libertarian
- Kate Brown
  - Democrat, Working Families
- Knute Buehler
  - Republican, Independent
  - or write-in:

**State Treasurer, 4 Year Term**

(Vote for 1)

- Ted Wheeler
  - Democrat, Working Families
- Cameron Whitten
  - Progressive
- John F Mahler
  - Libertarian
- Michael Paul Marsh
  - Constitution
- or write-in:

Continue voting on other side ➾
Five Criteria for AFB Platforms

- Device has to have a Browser
- Screen Reader (native or ISV software)
- JavaScript capable and turned on
- Wi-Fi, internet and/or USB connection
- Printer connectivity (USB cable or Wi-Fi)
HTML Ballots now being used by UVOCAVA and sighted voters

Blind and disabled requesting HTML and voting at home on their own devices

Large Format Ballots fit the older voter’s need for traditional paper ballot

AFB in VBM allows voters to take their time

Tablet devices are being evaluated
AFB = Voting in Your Bath Robe!
Does this look familiar?
Thoughts Toward the Future

- Flexibility in voting process is essential
- Evolving platforms must enhance process
- Voters prefer voting the way they live their lives – mobile/connected or not.
- Unique people = unique needs
- USPS needs to stay in business!
- Voter privacy vs “right to be counted”
Thank You!

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