



Election Commissioners Report

State Election Commissioners Conference Sheds Light on 2006 Election Season

2006 Elections

It appears we will be using the old lever machines and New York will be in default in complying with HAVA. The Federal Justice Department is not satisfied with New York's progress and may sue the state, including county boards, to force compliance.

New Voting Machines

Voting machine standards are anticipated by the end of February with an anticipated machine certification list to be completed in June or early July.

County Boards have been encouraged to move forward concurrently with the certification process so that machine selection can be made once machines are certified. Assuming a selection process in the July/August time frame, new machines could start arriving in September – October time frame, depending on vendor production capability.

A discussion is going on at the state level over a reduction of voters per district from 850 to 650. This would require a realignment of election districts in 2007; increase the number of machines required and increase local costs for poll sites and additional inspectors as well as increased training costs for inspectors. Election districts cannot be altered between December 2007 until January 2011 due to the census in 2010.

New Training

County Boards are now required to train all elections inspectors each year. This number for Oswego County is approximately 525. All will have to be tested and the results documented and sent to the NYSBOE.

Information Requests

Districts	3
Green Cards	6
Party Change	0
Registration	6
Financial	39
Political Calendar	5
Absentee	2
Elections Results	4
Print-Outs/Labels	14
Election Law	1
Military Requests	0
HAVA/Other	10
Total	90

Mail Activity

Acknowledgment	2,029
Abs Ballot App	30
Cancellation	78
Confirmation	1,323
Prev Juris Ltr	42
Rejection	8
Transfer	1,169
DMV Match	81
<i>* New HAVA Requirement</i>	
Total	4,760
Average per clerk	2380.0

Performance Statistics

New Registrations	133
Duplicate	120
Incomplete	2
Name Change	41
HAVA Mail	0
Other (file updates)	1,244
Party Changes	3
Address Changes	1,066
Total	2,609
Average per Clerk	652.25

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