

TITLE 9. VOTING.

SUBTITLE 1. VOTING SYSTEMS.

9-101. USE OF CERTIFIED SYSTEM REQUIRED.

(A) GENERALLY.

A LOCAL BOARD MAY NOT USE A VOTING SYSTEM IN AN ELECTION CONDUCTED UNDER THIS ARTICLE UNLESS THE VOTING SYSTEM HAS BEEN CERTIFIED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUBTITLE.

(B) LIMITATION ON NUMBER OF VOTING SYSTEMS USED.

EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY LAW OR AUTHORIZED IN WRITING BY THE STATE BOARD, A LOCAL BOARD SHALL EITHER:

(1) USE A SINGLE VOTING SYSTEM FOR BOTH ABSENTEE VOTING AND VOTING IN POLLING PLACES; OR

(2) USE A SINGLE VOTING SYSTEM FOR ABSENTEE VOTING AND A SINGLE DIFFERENT VOTING SYSTEM FOR VOTING IN POLLING PLACES.

9-102. CERTIFICATION OF VOTING SYSTEMS.

(A) ADOPTION OF REGULATIONS.

THE STATE BOARD SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS FOR THE REVIEW, CERTIFICATION, AND DECERTIFICATION OF VOTING SYSTEMS.

(B) PERIODIC REVIEW.

THE STATE BOARD SHALL PERIODICALLY REVIEW CERTIFIED VOTING SYSTEMS AND EVALUATE ALTERNATIVE VOTING SYSTEMS.

(C) STANDARDS FOR CERTIFICATION.

THE STATE BOARD MAY NOT CERTIFY A VOTING SYSTEM UNLESS THE STATE BOARD DETERMINES THAT:

(1) THE VOTING SYSTEM WILL:

(I) PROTECT THE SECRECY OF THE BALLOT;

(II) PROTECT THE SECURITY OF THE VOTING PROCESS;

(III) COUNT AND RECORD ALL VOTES ACCURATELY;

(IV) ACCOMMODATE ANY BALLOT USED UNDER THIS ARTICLE; AND

(V) PROTECT ALL OTHER RIGHTS OF VOTERS AND CANDIDATES;

(2) THE VOTING SYSTEM HAS BEEN:

(I) EXAMINED BY AN INDEPENDENT TESTING LABORATORY THAT IS APPROVED BY THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE ELECTION DIRECTORS; AND