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LOUISIANA VOTING SYSTEM STANDARDS

In accordance with the Louisiana Election Code, La. R.S. 18:1361, the Secretary of State will approve and certify voting systems for use in this State as to durability, accuracy, efficiency, and capacity.

The secretary of state sets the following standards for any voting system to be tested and certified for use in Louisiana:

1) Voting system shall be certified according to the United States Election Assistance Commission (EAC) voluntary voting system guidelines by a voting system test laboratory (VSTL) accredited by the EAC.
   a. Provide with the application for state certification the Certificate of Conformance inclusive of product name, model, or version, VSTL, EAC Certification Number and date issued.
2) Voting machine shall contain a sound creating device which will audibly indicate that a voter has left the machine after casting his vote.
3) Voting system shall remove, during the early voting tally process, challenged or void ballots cast on early voting machines as required by law and in a way that protects the secrecy of that ballot.
4) Voting system shall provide a cumulative report of absentee by mail, early voting, ranking, faxed, hand counted, and emailed ballots as one total.
5) Voting system shall provide a cumulative report of all precincts reporting on election day as one total.
6) Voting system shall provide for unofficial and official reports in any variety, including absentee voting, early voting, election day voting, and total vote counts.
7) Voting system shall provide the ability to custom design any election report as required by the secretary of state.
8) Voting system shall provide for the import from the Elections & Registration Information Network (ERIN) into the Election Management System (EMS) before programming begins.
9) Voting system shall provide that each portion of data is imported and assigned to the corresponding data field on the voting machines, then propagated to the removable memory devices used in the machines at the polling places.
10) EMS software shall be able to export a results file compatible with ERIN. This results file shall have the ability for the import file to be encrypted and sent electronically by each parish to ERIN through an existing private network.
11) EMS software shall provide that the import process can be done during election programming and does not require repetitive manual entry.
12) Voting system shall be capable of printing the voter's selections to a voter-verifiable paper audit trail for the voter to view the printed selections before the voter casts his or her ballot.
13) Voting system shall include securely closed voting machine cases to transport and prevent damage to the voting machine.
14) EMS software shall run on Windows 10 or higher and Windows Server 2016 or higher.

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