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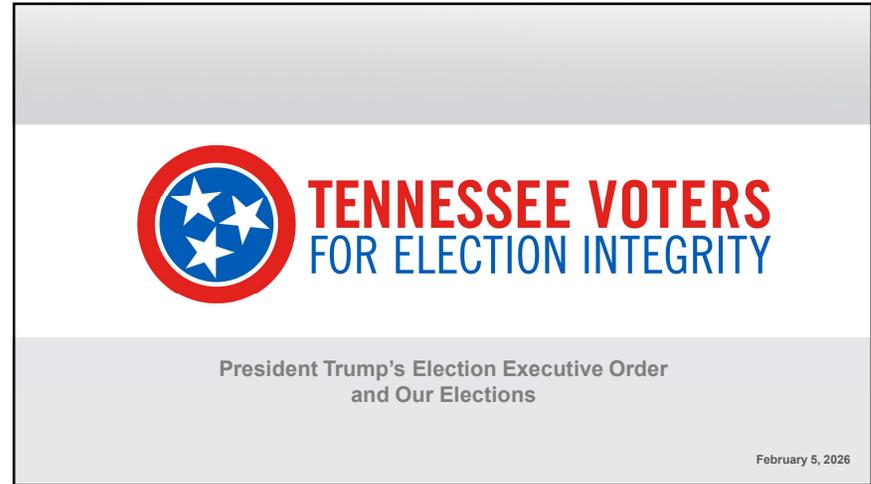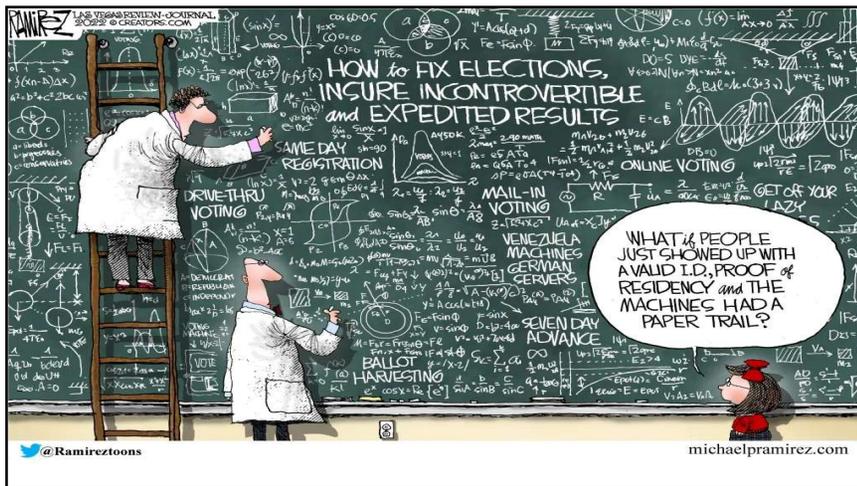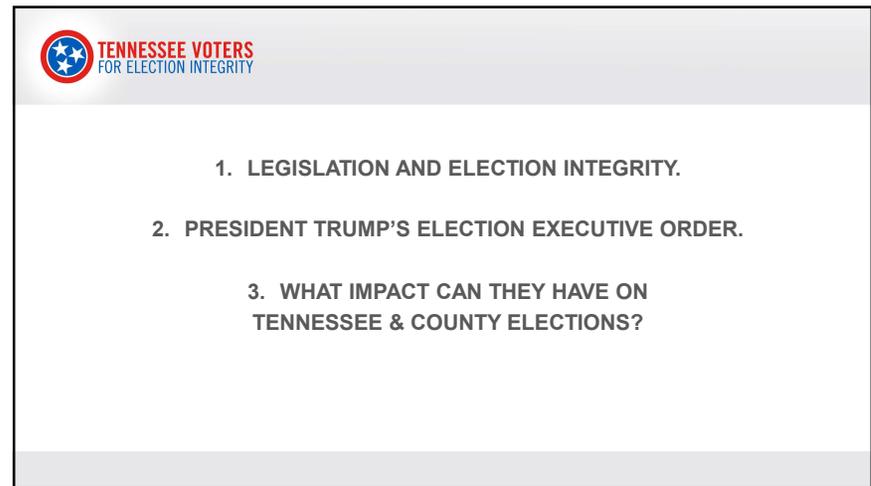
1993: "MOTOR VOTER" – NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION ACT
- To facilitate voter registration when sign up for driver's licenses.
- Citizenship documentation not required; only attest.

2002: HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT (HAVA)
- Hanging chads > mandated process improvements > computers/machines.
- U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC):
  - Disburses funds for updating equipment, election procedures;
  - Certifies election machines; but to 2005 standards.

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2021: BIDEN'S OPEN BOARDERS AND EXECUTIVE ORDERS
- 10+ million illegal aliens since Biden assumed office.
  - Dispersed across USA, especially "red" states.
  - Every state (except SC) issues DL's to noncitizens; 19 states to aliens.
- 3/7/21 Biden's EO #14019 ordered every government department and federal employees to use federal resources to – in essence -- get-out-the-vote.
  - Violates multiple federal laws.
  - Executive branch has no constitutional authority to voter registration.

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2025: SAFEGUARD AMERICAN VOTER ELIGIBILITY (SAVE) ACT
- Reverse Biden's moves.
- By law only U.S. citizens may vote in federal elections. But law is toothless.
  - Illegal voting tracked: Mass., Ohio, Virginia, Arizona, California, Illinois, New Jersey, North Carolina, Pennsylvania.
- SAVE requires proof of US citizenship in order to vote in federal elections.
  - Passport, birth certificate, REAL ID, military ID, govt.-issued photo ID with US citizenship photo, or vital records in birth state.
- Provides states a federal database to clean their voter rolls, remove non-citizens.
- Passed US House 4/10/25; now before Senate. Might not go forward.

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2025: PRESERVING & PROTECTING THE INTEGRITY OF AMERICAN ELECTIONS
- Citizenship verification required, plus federal databases for verification.
- Voter-verifiable paper ballot – hand-marked paper ballots.
- Directs updating of Voluntary Voting System Guidelines 2.0, security standards.
  - ONLY 1 HART MACHINE MEETS THESE 2.0 STANDARDS! (1.0 = 2005)
- Enforce/prosecute election crimes.
- No counting ballots after election day.
- Fully repeals Biden's EO #14019 – "Get out the vote."

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SPECIFIC HELP FOR TENNESSEE COUNTIES
- Increases EAC standards/testing for machines from VVSG 1.0 (2005) to 2.0 (2021).
  - Our machines have spent 20 years at 1.0. But your smartphone…..
- Requires voter-verifiable paper ballot without bar code.
  - No one can verify their selections on current ballot.
- EAC & Homeland Security: Report security in voter registration & voting process.
  - Have no information about Embry Consulting. (91 of 95 counties)
- Prohibits lobbying/election support by organizations receiving foreign funds.
  - Includes NGOs (non-governmental organizations).
- Recommendation… not enforced demand.
- BOTH SEC AND WCEC ARE IGNORING THIS EO.

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2025: MAKE ELECTIONS SECURE AGAIN (MESA) ACT TO CODIFY PRESIDENT TRUMP'S ELECTION EO
- Texas Representative Pete Sessions.
- Demands hand-marked paper ballots for all federal elections and primaries.
- Bans electronic voting machines and universal mail-in voting.
- Paper poll books replace e-pollbooks.
- Government-issued photo ID; Rasmussen: 74% likely voters agree.
- No vote centers: Precinct voting w/1,500 max voters for hand-counting ballots.
- Limits early voting to three days prior to election day. (Thu/Fri/Sat)(Tues)?
- 2026: MEGA Act with many of same steps to codify Trump's EO.

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**HOW CAN THESE ACTS & TRUMP'S EO
IMPACT ELECTIONS IN TENNESSEE COUNTIES?**

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**1. EO DRIVES SYSTEM CHANGES BECAUSE:
VOTING MACHINES AREN'T/CAN'T BE INTERNALLY INSPECTED.**

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HIGHLY RISKY MACHINES
- State's <u>weak research</u> into machines: accept vendor documents, EAC blessing.
- Neither SEC nor WCEC <u>internally inspect machines when enter state/county or prior to or after election</u>.
  - <u>No cyber experts, or IT techs allowed unfettered access</u>.
- Only vendor can perform machine checks, software changes, upgrades.
- Proprietary software; no open-source software.
- <u>WCEC does not perform EAC-advised hash verification</u> before, after an election.
- <u>Fulton County (GA) Raid: Ballots, ballot images, tapes, voter rolls</u>.

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**2. EO STEPS WILL IMPROVE PERFORMANCE/SECURITY SINCE
VOTING MACHINES ARE HIGHLY VULNERABLE TO HACKS,
MALWARE, MAL-PERFORMANCE, BREAKDOWNS.**

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MACHINES CAN/HAVE DESTROYED TRUST IN ELECTIONS
- 2021: Franklin Alderman election, TN
    - Machines stopped counting votes on tape; BMD-tabulator software conflict.
    - Dominion: "Erroneous code present;" how did that get there? L&A testing?
- 2023: Monmouth County, NJ
    - ES&S machines double counted votes; gave losing candidate the win.
    - Later, ES&S admitted mis-programing error; recount loser now the winner.
- 2024: DeKalb County, GA
    - Candidate received no votes in precinct she/husband voted.
    - Machine recount produced same results.
    - Hand count: System shorted candidate 3,049 of her 4,078 votes (74%).

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3. CITIZENS WANT HAND-MARKED PAPER BALLOTS TO HEDGE AGAINST QUESTIONABLE MACHINES; SUPPORTED BY TRUMP'S EXECUTIVE ORDER

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ADVANTAGES OF HAND-MARKED PAPER BALLOTS OVER BMDS
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- HMPB voter knows who he/she voted for.
  - 60% BMD voters don't check ballot.
- HMPBs eliminate the BMD machines & speed up voting process (time study).
- HMPBs can be easily audited.
- HMPBs can be secured and numbered to affirm limited # in precinct (photo).

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MORE ADVANTAGES OF HAND-MARKED PAPER OVER BMDS

- National Academies of Science, Engineering and Medicine recommends HMPBs.
- Cyber experts recommend HMPBs over BMDs.
- Paper costs far lower than machine costs.
- Two-thirds of the nation votes using HMPBs versus BMDs. (Map)
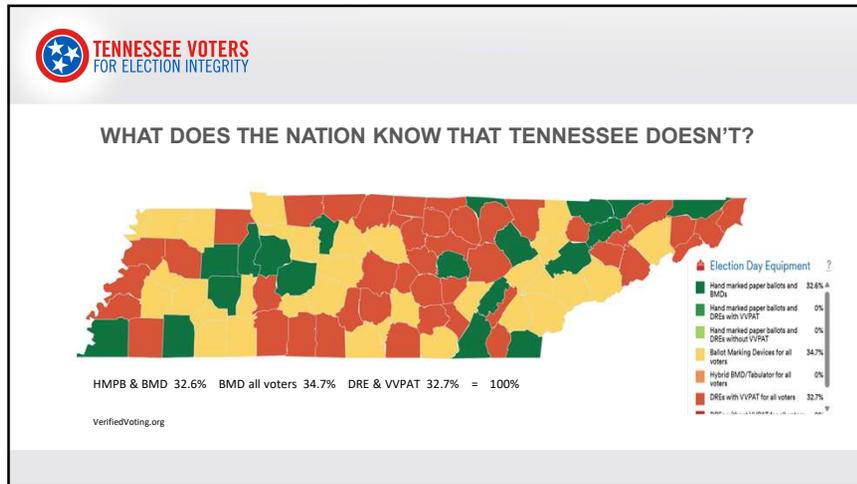
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WHAT DOES THE NATION KNOW THAT TENNESSEE DOESN'T?

Tenn. gives false impression BMDs are the best option & hand-marked paper is not desirable.

69% w/low adjudication rates

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Green: HM paper ballots
Cream: BMDs
Red: DREs no paper

US Territories

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WHAT DOES THE NATION KNOW THAT TENNESSEE DOESN'T?

Election Day Equipment

Hand marked paper ballots and BMDs	32.6%
Hand marked paper ballots and DREs with VVPAT	0%
Hand marked paper ballots and DREs without VVPAT	0%
Ballot Marking Devices for all voters	34.7%
Hybrid BMD/Tabulator for all voters	0%
DREs with VVPAT for all voters	32.7%

HMPB & BMD 32.6%   BMD all voters 34.7%   DRE & VVPAT 32.7%   =   100%

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4. BUT VOTE CENTERS PREVENT ADDING HAND-MARKED PAPER BALLOTS WITHOUT ADDING MORE MACHINES

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VOTE CENTERS DO NOT HELP VOTERS OR IMPROVE SECURITY
- Fewer vote locations: 42% less in 2020; force internet, machines, epollbooks.
  - Growing population, more voters in fewer locations, long lines, wait times.
  - Disenfranchisement of voters who travel away from neighborhood precincts.
  - Internet connection for registration; VPNs today are weak at best.
- Have not increased voter turnout. (WC 2004 Nov. election.)
- If we remain in vote centers & bring in HMPBs:
  - Unpredictable turnout, paper explosion, chain custody/cost nightmare.
  - Force ballot-on-demand to print every ballot for every race at every VC.
  - More machines that are uncertified by EAC. $500,000+ in WC's 27 VCs.
- Best: Precincts @ 3000 voters; more precincts; enable hand counting to check.

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5. ENSURE CLEAN VOTER ROLLS;
ADDRESSED BY THE EXECUTIVE ORDER

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CLEAN UP VOTER ROLLS; EXPLAIN VENDOR

- 2023: TVEI voter roll canvas of Williamson County revealed:
  - 65% of voters on voter roll at that time had moved.
  - Bad data practices: Reusing voter #s; changing #s without linking history.
  - State elections coordinator says NCOA run annually; data says not true.
  - No logic check at input: Nonsense ages (birth year 0204; negative age; registration data same year as birth year).
- Embry Consulting issue – Software handle voter rolls & vote registration system.
  - 91 of Tennessee's 95 counties; $400,000+/year; NO contract.
  - NO credentials, security, training, certifications. TruthWire News series.

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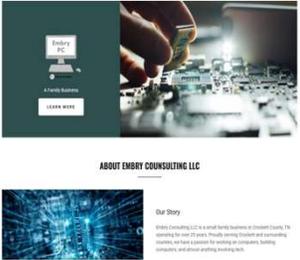
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6. SO, WHERE DO TENNESSEE & COUNTIES STAND ON COMPLYING WITH TRUMP'S EXECUTIVE ORDER?

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NOWHERE! NEITHER ENTITY IS DOING ANYTHING!

- June 24, 2025: Williamson County Election Commission complying?
- July 14, 2025: Tennessee State Election Commission complying?
    - Chairman asked Commissioners comment? Said nothing.
    - Chairman asked Goins comment? He shook head no.
- **That's the extent of election integrity leadership we have.**

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TRUMP'S EO & RECENT ACTS WILL HELP US GET TO AN IDEAL, SAFER, MORE SECURE AND ACCURATE ELECTION PROCESS

- Neighborhood precinct voting w/paper registration vs. vote centers.
    - No internet next to uninspected machines, no epollbooks.
- Removal of all ballot marking devices (except for 1 ADA).
    - Must retain tabulators because of law.
    - So, hand-count next day to check tabulator accuracy.
- High-security hand-marked paper ballots. (Arizona: Authentix)
- Reduce early voting period to 3 days then election day; save money. ($192k+ ea.)
- Reduce number of voters per precinct (from 6k to 3k); (80% turnout = 2,400)
    - Increase # of smaller, neighborhood precincts; close to home.
- Work toward ultimate removal all machines to improve security.

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DO WE WANT TO FULLY SECURE OUR ELECTIONS OR JUST CONTINUE TO FOLLOW THE VULNERABLE STATUS QUO?

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WHAT YOU CAN DO

- Get engaged: Or we'll lose our Constitutional Republic!
- Get informed: Tennessee Stands legislative report card is excellent.
- Get their attention: Write/call SoS Hargett urging support of Trump's EO & Acts.
- Get their attention: Attend election commission meetings, voice concerns.
- Get their attention: Write comments, op-eds, letters to editors.
- Get their attention: Communicate with legislators, especially Jan-May.
- Get involved: Become a poll watcher: WCRP poll watcher program.
- Get involved: TVEI "Action" tab for downloadable message, tactics.
- 2026 is the year we MUST take action.

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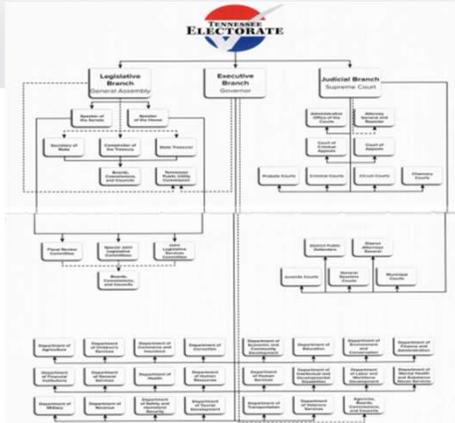
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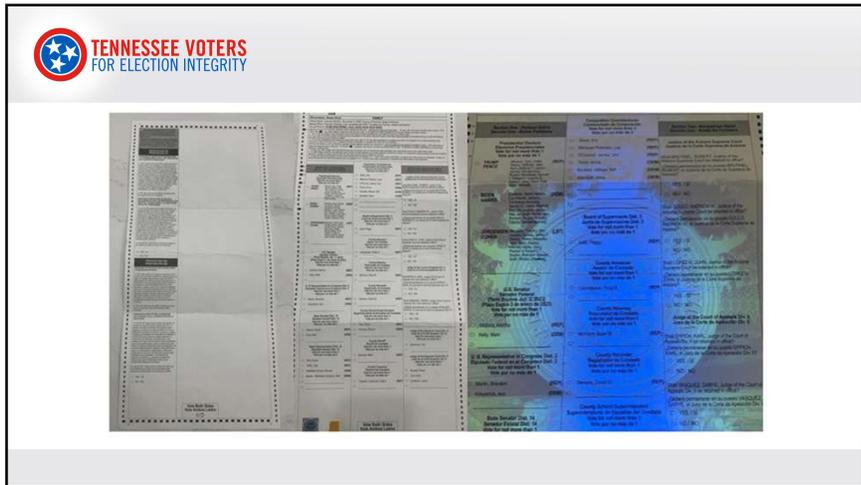11

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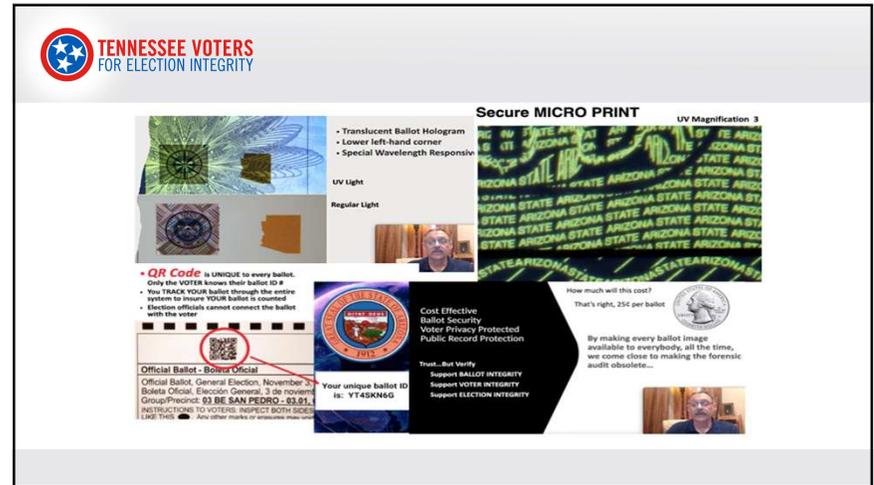**OUR IDEAL SYSTEM (PARTIALLY TESTED BY MAURY COUNTY)**
- Return to neighborhood precinct voting, away from internet-heavy vote centers.
- Decrease size of precincts; increase the number of precincts. Hand count?
- Move back to paper registration/check-in like 2019.
- Remove BMDs, computer registration and registration voter cards (BMDs).
- Move tech from the machines to hand-marked paper ballots.
  - High-security, currency-grade, numbered, hand-marked paper ballots.
- Must count by tabulators; So, hand count all next day to **verify machine counts**.
- Clean up voter rolls; Transparency for Embry voter roll/registration system.
- Live stream all voting/counting w/appropriately placed cameras.
- Post ballot images (no identification), poll official reports, stream videos online.

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PROBLEM: HERITAGE SCORECARD - FALSE SENSE OF SECURITY
- It focuses on laws, governing elections…. NOT:
  - Proven liabilities of our voting machines;
  - Total lack of transparency by vendors;
  - Administration of elections;
  - Behavior of commissioners against their code of conduct; or
  - Commissioners' follow-through on their promises.
- It only looks at a small sliver of "the big picture" of election integrity.
- Hargett/Goins have hijacked it to claim it says something it doesn't.
- Op-ed in News section of our website.

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WHO WE ARE/WHAT WE'VE DONE
- Citizens studied voting computers and processes intimately for years.
- Composed of tech, research, legal, business professionals & consultants.
- National research teams including:
  - Cause of America www.causeofamerica.org
  - Center for Renewing America www.americarenewing.com
  - Heritage Foundation www.heritage.org
- Research/recommendations: www.tennesseeelectionintegrity.com
- Communications: X(Twitter): @VotersTennessee

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RECO: ROBUST MACHINE COST STUDY FOR FIDUCIARY WISDOM
- Perform 10-yr cost/benefit analysis of machines vs. paper.
  - Full life-cycle cost analysis of both systems documenting ALL costs.
  - Cost baseline including EEs & consultant costs, training, equipment, misc.
  - Adjust for inflation to normalize the data.
- Categories would include:
  - Hardware: Purchase, maintenance. Refresh, shipping, set-up.
  - Software: Licensing, updates, reprograming, modifications,
  - Misc.: Training, storage, misc. vendor support, third-party consultancy, indirect county costs.

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THIS IS NOT VOTER SUPPRESSION

- 2019 Heritage survey of ten years of turnout data in 50 states;
  - No negative effect on registration or turnout for any group.
- Voter laws in states (IN, KS, TN, WI, MS, TX…) because courts agreed they're "not discriminatory" and don't represent a tangible burden on voters.
- Census Bureau reports registration & turnout verify this:
  - 2012 Blacks had higher voter rate vs Whites nationally: 66.2% vs 64.1%.
  - 2016/18/20 Miss. higher turnout than CT, NY, DE. 67.7%, 54.2%, 70.3%.
  - 2020 national turnout (66.8%) higher than Obama 2008 (63.6%).

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