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Action Alert – February 14 Public Hearing on Voter-Verified Paper Trail

**You can make a difference now to preserve democracy in our state.
Demand that all new voting machines in CT provide a Voter-Verified Paper Trail!**

New federal law requires replacing outdated lever machines with new voting systems that provide accessibility to all voters and maintain an anonymous record of each ballot cast. The state is now selecting new machines that we will use starting this fall. The new machines will be accessible by all voters. Surprisingly enough, the new machines may not allow you to verify that the computer has accurately recorded your vote, to correct the computer record if it is wrong, or to ensure your vote will be recounted if the machine breaks or the election is very close.

A Voter-Verified Paper Audit Trail provides the safeguard that your vote is recorded accurately and that a paper ballot is available in case a manual recount is necessary. State Senate Bill 55 requires a Voter-Verified Paper Trail for all new voting machines in Connecticut. Here are two easy steps you can take *now* to help ensure passage of Senate Bill 55:

**1) A public hearing on State Senate Bill 55 will be held on Monday, February 14th.
Demonstrate your support of verified voting by attending the public hearing!**

State Senate Bill 55 is now before the Government Administrations and Elections Committee (GAE). A public hearing will be held this Monday. Please attend this hearing to show your support of verified voting in CT. If possible, please wear orange at the hearing. Orange was the color of the Ukrainian opposition movement that recently demanded, and won, fair elections in their country; it has now become the symbol of the fair elections movement in the US. Orange ribbons will be available at the door.

- Date: Monday, February 14
- Time: 11:00 A.M. in
- Place: Room 1A, Legislative Office Building (LOB), 300 Capitol Ave, Hartford

You do not need to testify at the hearing – your presence itself is a strong statement of support! If you do plan to testify, you must arrive an hour early and sign in. It's a good idea to arrive early anyway because parking and seating are limited. For directions to the LOB see <http://www.cga.ct.gov/olm/Directions2.asp#LOB>

2) Contact your state legislators now to urge support of Senate Bill 55!

Senate Bill 55 is now before the Government Administrations and Elections (GAE) committee. To contact GAE committee members to express your support, please follow this easy link:

http://democracyinaction.org/dia/organizations/vevo/campaign.jsp?campaign_KEY=382

For more information, call TrueVoteCT at (860) 231-7428

or visit www.TrueVoteCT.org

Ensure that every citizen can vote and that every vote is counted!