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Post Election Update Local Canvass Information

RICHMOND, VA – November 6, 2014 – Yesterday, each of Virginia’s 133 local electoral boards began the routine process of canvassing their precinct results from the November 4th general election. During the canvass, each locality will review and verify the accuracy of the results reported on Tuesday evening and determine the status of provisional ballots. Localities have until Tuesday, November 11th to complete the canvass process and submit the Abstracts of Votes to the Virginia State Board of Elections. Any adjusted numbers reported by localities will be incorporated into the results page of elections.virginia.gov at 4:00pm each day until November 11th.

Included in each locality’s Abstract of Votes will be any accepted provisional ballot votes. Localities reported that 3,622 Virginia voters were issued a provisional ballot on election day. Of those provisional ballots, 773 were issued because the voter did not provide an acceptable photo ID at the time of voting. The remaining provisional ballots were issued for a variety of reasons relating to a voter’s registration status. Local electoral boards research each provisional voter’s registration prior to accepting or denying the provisional ballot. Voters who did not have an acceptable photo ID have until 12pm on Friday, November 7th to submit a copy of their photo ID or apply for a free Virginia Voter Photo ID card at their local voter registration office. A full summary of provisional ballots cast in each locality is available on the results page of elections.virginia.gov.

To date, the Department of Elections has provided 3,804 free Virginia Voter Photo ID Cards. 1,703 of those applicants requested a Temporary Identification Document which was issued to them immediately in the voter’s local registration office. A summary of free Virginia Voter Photo ID Cards issued by each locality is available at elections.virginia.gov.

The State Board of Elections will meet to certify the final vote counts of the election on Monday, November 24th at 1:00pm in the General Assembly Building, Room C.

For more information about the Virginia Department of Elections or the Virginia State Board of Elections, visit elections.virginia.gov.

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