

Election security has always been part of defending democracy. It became a pressing issue after the 2020 election. As you know, the League only takes action when we have a position on an issue. Current League positions on election security are inadequate for us to advocate effectively.

Sparked by LWV Oregon's recent position including election security, and a 2021 Colorado bill that, as introduced, could have inadvertently ripped a gash in Colorado's election security, a small group read, consulted experts, and wrote the attached, including a draft election security position. The LWVCO Board is sending this packet out for discussion and consensus.

Election security is an issue across the country, so we want to present a Colorado position for national concurrence at the 2022 LWVUS Convention that may be used by Leagues everywhere. For that to happen, we must get an adopted position to LWVUS well before spring. Thus, we have a compressed timeline.

Please join our statewide Election Security Consensus Meeting Saturday, January 22, 10:00 am to give us input in finalizing an Election Security Position. Details to follow. Your Local League may decide to hold a consensus meeting in January as well; if so, you are welcome to join your local meeting instead.

Local League Leaders: You are welcome to hold your own consensus meeting, but the January 22 meeting is intended for all LWVCO members, so feel free to proceed with your existing January meeting plans. If you have a Local Consensus Meeting, we need all feedback from your meeting sent to info@lwvcolorado.org by end of day Sunday, January 30, 2022. We're happy to answer questions in the January leadership meetings.

Thank you for your engagement in defending the security of elections, and democracy,

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