VVSG 2.0 Scope and Structure

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Background

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- TGDC Unanimously voted to adopt the 17 core functions of a voting system as the scope of VVSG 2.0. This allows Working Groups, NIST and EAC to continue work to complete the draft VVSG 2.0 in time to discuss the final draft at the next TGDC Meeting.

Background

- TGDC members stated that they liked the clear scope of these 17 functions and that these provided a solid basis from which to grow & allow innovation in the VVSG 2.0 document.

- VVSG 2.0 now changes from a *device* based approach to a *functionality* based approach.

Help America Vote Act Definition of Voting System

Section 301 (b) (1) defines voting system as:

the **total combination** of mechanical, electromechanical, or electronic equipment (including the software, firmware, and documentation required to program, control, and support the equipment) that is used—

(A) **to define ballots;**

(B) **to cast and count votes;**

(C) **to report or display election results; and**

(D) **to maintain and produce any audit trail information**

Voting Systems
17 Core Functions

- Input Data for Ballot Construct
- Associate Data for Ballot Construct
- Ballot Layout
- Ballot Generation
- Ballot Transfer
- Ballot Retrieval
- Ballot Presentation

- Capture Vote Selections
- Interpret Vote Selections
- Extract Vote Selections
- Present Vote Selections
- Transfer Vote Selections
- Store Vote Selections
- Retrieve Vote Selections
- Tabulate Vote Selections
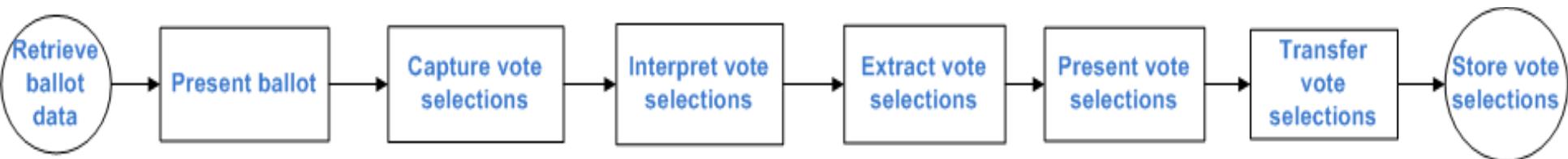- Transfer Results
- Present Results

Voting System Model
(By Functions)

§301 (b) (1) (A) – to define ballots:

Data Input → Associate data → Ballot layout → Ballot generation → Transfer ballot data

§301 (b) (1) (B) – to cast votes:

Retrieve ballot data → Present ballot → Capture vote selections → Interpret vote selections → Extract vote selections → Present vote selections → Transfer vote selections → Store vote selections

§301 (b) (1) (B) & (C) – to count & report/display results:

Retrieve vote selections → Tabulate vote selections → Transfer Results → Present results
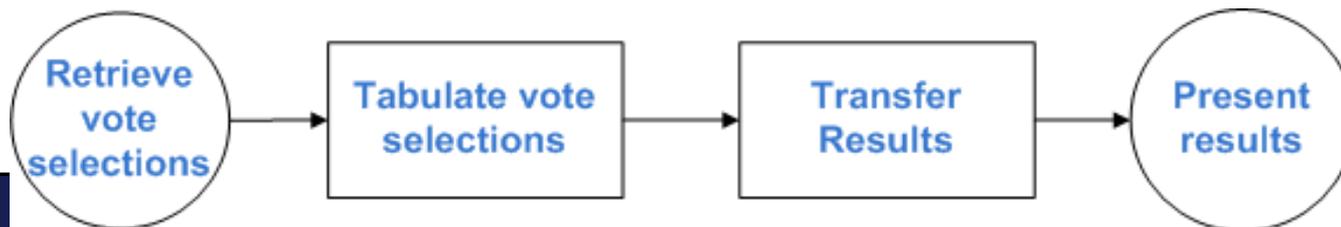
Discussion

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