Stan Martin Clerk and Recorder



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Colorado Secretary of State 1700 Broadway, Suite 200 Denver, CO 80290

Re: Proposed Changes to Election Rules

Dear Secretary Williams,

I am in agreement with Election Statute Review Committee (ESRC) comments to election rule changes.

In addition, I would respectfully request you refrain from adopting any changes to election rule 11.9.2 allowing a Uniform Voting System in Colorado creating a single source monopoly.

Having been a business owner for the previous 15 years before coming Adams County Clerk and Recorder, I understand and appreciate the value of competition in free markets.

As you know, I attended each of the Pilot Election Review Committee (PERC) public hearings and was an advocate for multiple voting systems. Since piloting with Clear Ballot during the 2015 Coordinated Election, my election staff and I took the opportunity to participate in detailed and thorough demos with both Hart and Dominion. Having multiple voting systems remains my position today.

I am hopeful you and I agree that allowing competition in free markets fosters innovation, creates technological advances and drives down costs of goods and services.

It is my firm belief that an economic system in which prices are determined by unrestricted competition between businesses, without government regulation or fear of monopolies, is my preferred route for the future of Colorado's elections.

Respectfully,

Stan Martin
Adams County Clerk and Recorder