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**From:** Gallegos, Mark A SN USN CBC GULFPORT MS (USA) [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 18, 2019 8:00 AM  
**To:** SoS Rulemaking  
**Subject:** RE: [Non-DoD Source] Secretary Griswold invites you to comment on proposed Election Rules

To whom it may concern,

Honestly, as a service member, it's hard for me to grasp on Colorado politics, and how the government is being run. When I went home last, it was much of a disappoint. The navy itself is like a time capsule, and when I come back home after 'X' amount of time, it seems that everything just gets worse and solidifies my views of never moving back to Colorado after my service is up.

There are a few things I don't agree on as far as elections in Colorado go. For one, getting rid of the electoral college in Colorado was not a good move. Only because it doesn't let the smaller counties have a say in Colorado politics like they should. Instead Denver Metro area has full power, and that's essentially like a monopoly. Especially when one area has the same mindset. I may not live there anymore, however I know that the Farmers and the Ranchers, people who live outside of major cities are aggravated because they don't have the same say as someone from Boulder. Or makes the phrase, "My vote doesn't matter" that more prevalent than ever. I may not be a college graduate or someone who is overtly book smart, but I do consider myself intelligent, or at least wise. I for one empathize with both sides, as far as the elections go, but I don't feel like even my words are heard correctly, or that individuals will take bits and pieces out and twist them for their own personal vendetta.

All in all, I just ask that if people do send emails or letters, that they are taken seriously, and with compassion. Because we're all human, but we're NOT a collective hive mind.

Sincerely,  
Mark Gallegos  
A concerned Citizen

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## Help Shape Colorado's Election Rules

Topic: Proposed rules to implement legislative changes and clean up revision

### What is this about?

Secretary Griswold is considering amendments to Colorado's Rules Concerning Elections (8 CCR 1505-1). The amendments are intended to improve the administration and enforcement of Colorado election law[1] < #\_ftn1 > and to increase transparency and security in the election process. We invite you to share your thoughts and recommendations as we develop a preliminary draft of the proposed rules in anticipation of a formal notice of permanent rulemaking issued in accordance with the Colorado Administrative Procedure Act.[2] < #\_ftn2 >

Please review the attached working draft. The following highlights the primary goals of the proposed rulemaking:

- \* Ensure proper administration of legislation recently passed by the Colorado General Assembly, including:
  - \* HB19-1266: Concerning the voting rights of persons serving a sentence of parole, and in connection therewith, making an appropriation

\* HB19-1278: Concerning modifications to miscellaneous provisions of the "Uniform Election Code of 1992", and, in connection therewith, making an appropriation

\* SB19-202: Concerning ballot access for voters with disabilities, and, in connection therewith, making an appropriation

\* Eliminate obsolete provisions; and

\* Simplify the language of existing rules.

Why does the Secretary need my help?

The Secretary values your feedback and we would very much like to hear your thoughts. We need your help to identify necessary revisions or additional guidance in order to propose a constructive and comprehensive draft rule for consideration during the rulemaking proceedings. Overall, we invite your opinions and recommendations to help shape Colorado's Election Rules.

How do I submit my comments and what is the deadline?

You may email your comments to [SOS.Rulemaking@sos.state.co.us](mailto:SOS.Rulemaking@sos.state.co.us) < Caution-mailto:SOS.Rulemaking@sos.state.co.us?subject=Comments%20-%20working%20draft%20Election%20rules > . To ensure consideration of your comments before we issue the proposed draft, please submit your comments by 5:00 p.m. on June 24, 2019.

Will my comments become part of the official record for the anticipated rulemaking?

Yes, we will incorporate your comments into the official record when we commence with formal rulemaking. Our office will identify your comments as information received in anticipation of rulemaking to support the development of the proposed draft rule. Please note that you will have an additional opportunity to provide testimony and/or written comments regarding the proposed rule during the rulemaking proceeding.

To promote transparency and to help generate discussion, our office will post a copy of your comments on the Secretary of State's website. We appreciate privacy concerns and will redact personal contact information that may appear in your comments prior to posting (including your home address, personal email address, and telephone number). To view the comments that we receive, please visit:

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[1] < #\_ftnref1 > Article VII of the Colorado Constitution, Title 1 of the

Colorado Revised Statutes, and the Help America Vote Act of 2002 ("HAVA"),  
P.L. No. 107-252.

[2] < #\_ftnref2 > Section 24-4-103(3)(a), C.R.S.

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