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Written comments - proposed elections rules -7/31/2019 hearing Subject:

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To Whom It Concerns.

Colorado Cross-Disability Coalition worked with the National Federation of the Blind of Colorado on the passage of SB 19-202. We want to ensure that people with low-vision, people who are blind, and people with other disabilities can take full advantage of the bill. Our concerns are below.

- People using this new method and technology to vote should be given a chance to practice using this new technology before casting their ballots in a "real" election.
- If there is not a method of submitting ballots without printing them, a system should be created where printers are made available to voters with disabilities who do not own printers.
- During the election period, there should be a hotline with knowledgeable professionals who can answer technology questions which may arise.
- Allowance should be made so people using this technology can sign the ballot near the bottom of the affidavit without needing the assistance of a sighted person

Thank you for your attention to these important matters!

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Save the Date: 2019 ADA Access Awards Annual Luncheon will be held this fall

on **Wednesday**, **Sept. 25th** at Broncos Stadium at Mile High. Doors open at 11:30. We are thrilled to announce our keynote speaker will be Dr. Phil Mitchell, one of the founders and VP of Medical Affairs/Medical Director of DispatchHealth. To learn more or buy tickets, click <u>here</u>.

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