

SHOULD I VOTE BY MAIL?

There is definitely a time for casting an absentee ballot: ill or immobile voters, travelers, military, etc.

BUT the only way to ensure INTEGRITY in the election process is to <u>limit</u> voting by mail to those who have no other choice.

VOTING IN PERSON	VOTING BY MAIL
• perceived as less convenient • deterrent against multiple or fraudulent votes • guarantees privacy • guarantees vote submitted without alteration • assures prompt counting • assures ALL voters have access to ALL information before voting • fosters the communal aspect of citizens voting together • turn-out increases in ALL demographics when ID required	convenient open to successful multiple registrations and fraudulent votes no guarantee of privacy no guarantee your vote arrives untouched, unaltered, or at all delayed counting; rejection potential encourages EARLY voting, i.e., voting before all information is in harvesting danger submitting VBM ballot in person does NOT change most of the disadvantages
	MANDATORY VOTE BY MAIL: does not increase turn-out does not save money disenfranchises those without mailing address and those who cannot go to ROV office if ballot does not reach them negatively impacts handicapped voters encourages EARLY voting for ALL voters, i.e., voting before all information is in

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Do NOT vote using VBM ballot unless absolutely necessary
- Strongly oppose any attempt to move California to ALL VBM elections

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