

League of Women Voters of Texas

VOTING PROCEDURES TO INCREASE VOTING PARTICIPATION:

*Vote by Mail, Election Day Registration, Election Day Centralized Voting,
Instant Runoff Voting, Internet Voting*

CONCURRENCE FORM

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTING FORM

Submit only one form per League.

Deadline: Must be received in LWV-Texas office by **January 22, 2010**.

May submit by e-mail, fax, or mail:

- E-mail to lwvtexas@lwvtexas.org
- OR Fax to (512) 472-4114
- OR Mail two copies to League of Women Voters of Texas
1212 Guadalupe, Suite 107
Austin, TX 78701

INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR LEAGUE

League/MAL Unit Name _____ League Number _____

Date local board approved form for submission _____

Person completing form _____ League Title _____

Day Phone _____ Email _____

Number of members participating in concurrence _____

Method(s) used to arrive at concurrence (check all that apply)

- unit meeting
 general meeting
 board meeting
 polled members via concurrence form in VOTER
 other (please describe)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING FORM

The concurrence statement has been broken into sections to allow more choices than a simple up or down vote. (See intact statement in Leaders Guide, pages 3-4.)

After the introductory statement are 9 voting procedures to discuss. Though the study covered 5 main topics, some topics include more than one option. Questions 2-5 describe four vote-by-mail options. Questions 9-10 describe two Internet voting options. Your League may support any, all, or none of the options.

For each of the 10 sections of the concurrence statement, mark **one** of the three options:

- **Concur** – our League supports the voting procedure, worded as is
- **Do not concur** – our League does not support this proposed voting procedure, or we could not reach agreement
- **Could concur only if** – cannot support the procedure as is, but would if certain conditions were met or under certain circumstances.

Questions? See the Leader's Guide, p. 5-6

- Leaders Guide – study and concurrence background and tips
- Facts and Issues for each of the 5 main topics covered by concurrence
- Brief summaries (handouts) for each of the 5 main topics
- Or call Janet Imhoff, Program VP at 972-547-4270, email janimhoff@tx.rr.com

1. Introductory statement: The League of Women Voters of Texas supports election laws that facilitate citizen participation and voter convenience, *as well as voting procedures that may increase voter participation. Our support includes, but is not limited to, the following:* (Italics to be added to our current Election Laws and Voting Rights position)

- _____ Concur
 _____ Do not concur
 _____ Could concur only if the statement were changed as follows:

2. Voting by mail statewide (*mandatory in all elections*)

- _____ Concur
 _____ Do not concur
 _____ Could concur only if... (*please explain briefly*):

3. Unlimited access to vote-by-mail with no restrictions

- _____ Concur
 _____ Do not concur
 _____ Could concur only if... (*please explain briefly*):

4. A permanent vote-by-mail list on which any voter may request to be placed
____ Concur
____ Do not concur
____ Could concur only if... *(please explain briefly):*
5. The establishment of guidelines which would allow jurisdictions to conduct all vote-by-mail elections
____ Concur
____ Do not concur
____ Could concur only if... *(please explain briefly):*
6. Election day registration
____ Concur
____ Do not concur
____ Could concur only if... *(please explain briefly):*
7. Election Day centralized voting
____ Concur
____ Do not concur
____ Could concur only if... *(please explain briefly):*
8. Instant runoff voting
____ Concur
____ Do not concur
____ Could concur only if... *(please explain briefly):*
9. Poll-site Internet voting
____ Concur
____ Do not concur
____ Could concur only if... *(please explain briefly):*
10. Remote Internet voting
____ Concur
____ Do not concur
____ Could concur only if... *(please explain briefly):*