

NVRA, National Voter Registration Act of 1993

- DMVs must provide a voter registration opportunity simultaneously with DL and ID applications, renewals, and changes of address without requiring a person to provide duplicative information
- CA DMV system until now: Fill out a separate voter registration form
- February 2015 notice letter of noncompliance

Improved Voter Registration System at the DMV

- If you indicate you want to register to vote on the DL/ID application form, basic information is transmitted electronically to the Sec'y of State
 - You are thus registered to vote
- Add'l questions at a separate touch screen terminal (TST): party preference, language preference, permanent Vote by Mail, pollworker
- Roll-out in field offices completed April 25
- Online renewals: info now transferred to SoS

More Work Needed

- Early results: A third of registrants don't go to TST to complete the process
 - Requires follow-up from Secretary of State
- Danger of loss of critical voter information
- Disability access concerns
- Language preference concerns
 - How can the process be made seamless?