

### **RAISE YOUR VOICE AGAINST GOVERNMENT OVERREACH—NOW!!**

AB 969 is moving through the California legislature with the speed of a freight train.

Just a few months ago, Shasta County's Board of Supervisors made the decision to eliminate the county's reliance on arguably faulty and hackable electronic systems and return to paper ballots and hand counts.

Before doing so, they heard extensive sales pitches by all California-approved electronic systems companies. They also heard presentations by experts in the field of hand-count management, **obtaining a step-by-step manual of how it not only can be, but is being done elsewhere.** 

Alarmed by the audacity of a county to exert its right of self-governance, the legislature leapt into action and introduced AB 969, **giving it urgency status** to quickly forestall any other county efforts to break the chains tying them to suspect and potentially manipulated electoral results.

**Never mind** that Canada, England, Germany, Italy, Netherlands and France are among the MANY nations and even U.S. counties that have tried the same electronic systems now in use in California and across the U.S.

**Never mind** that objective analysis found those systems to be dangerous in their many open doors for fraud and manipulation.

**Never mind** that those countries and jurisdictions **banned the use of those systems** and now hold one-day, paper ballot, in-person-only elections that deliver transparent, economical and accurate hand-counted results within 24-36 hours.

Never mind that this is what Shasta County's population wants.

Lead by Shasta's contrary Registrar of Voters (ROV) and buoyed up by other ROVs happy in their complicated rut of **60-days** of voting and elaborate (though **highly subjective and inaccurate**) mail ballot processing, the legislature found a way to squash such "uppity" behavior.

# AB 969, in all its amended glory, will forever remove the rights of counties (including Shasta) to select an election plan based on their needs.

AB 969 will forever remove the rights of California counties to determine how to best deliver fair, honest and transparent elections with rapid and accurate results.

Those who believe We the People are the government and do not give their consent to this kind of government over-reach can still make their voices heard.

If we speak loudly enough, there is still hope to derail this train.

#### AB 969 is close to being signed, sealed and delivered.

#### But it still must

- pass another State Senate committee or two
- be voted on by all senators
- be voted on again by all Assembly Members (who must approve its amended form)
- be signed by the Governor.

## Please take the time TODAY to <u>read EIPCa's two opposition letters</u>, <u>HERE</u> and <u>HERE</u>.

#### Then immediately write, email, phone and/or visit (in this order):

- Your State Senator
- Your State Assembly Member
- Governor Gavin Newsom

Politely, intelligently and urgently ask those government leaders (who are supposed to be working for you) to reject AB 969.

#### Let them know they do not have your consent to complete such a power grab.

Benjamin Franklin reminded us that we have a Republic only as long as we do what it takes to Keep It.

Thomas Jefferson once said, "The government you elect is the government you deserve," but Franklin <u>might have</u> amended the statement thusly: "The government you elect **and fail to direct and hold accountable** is the government you deserve."

#### We are endowed by our creator with the right of Self-Governance.

#### Let your representatives know that you understand and embrace that right.

#### Additional Immediate Action Needed:

#### Call in your OPPOSITION to AB 969 at 9:00 Wednesday, June 28th

#### Senate Governance and Finance Committee Hearing

https://sgf.senate.ca.gov/committeehome

https://www.eip-ca.com/articles/Raise\_Your\_Voice\_62623.pdf