



Support SB 313: Online Voter Registration

Sen. David Holt/Rep.Gary Banz

- Oklahoma's voter registration rate was just 66.1 percent in 2012, eighth lowest among the states (source: U.S. Census Bureau survey).
- Rising generations of voters are simply not used to a world where simple tasks like registering to vote must be done on paper.
- 19 states offer fully online voter registration and another five states offer limited online access (Source: National Conference of State Legislatures)
- Because information would be handled securely online, there is less

potential for fraud and less potential for mistakes than with paper registration forms.

 The state has already received federal funds through the Help America Vote Act that are available for this purpose, and over time, moving to an online system will save money. "Oklahomans are patriotic, but our voting record is undermining that reputation. Our plunging levels of civic participation are reaching crisis levels. ... This matters because it influences everything else. Oklahomans hand over billions of dollars to government, and they need to stand up and be a part of this process or they likely won't care for the results."

-Senator David Holt (R-Oklahoma City)

- Online registration would be optional and would not do away with traditional paper registration.
- Legislators from both parties sponsored online voter registration bills this session and SB 313 has moved through the process with strong bipartisan support.

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