

March 8, 2010

Texas Military and Overseas Voters, Return your Ballot for the April 13, 2010 State Run-Off Election Now!

On April 13, 2010, Texas will hold runoff primary elections for offices that did not receive a majority vote in the March primary. Due to the short time period between the March 2, 2010 primary election and the April 13, 2010 runoff election, you should not wait for your regular absentee ballot and submit the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) as soon as possible. If and when your regular absentee ballot arrives, vote it and send it back, and if it arrives before the deadline, it will be counted instead of your FWAB.

If you are eligible to vote in this election, and requested and received a ballot for the November 4, 2008 presidential election or the March 2, 2010 primary, an absentee ballot will be mailed to you on or about March 19, 2010, unless your mailing address has changed. **There may not be adequate time between the time you receive your State ballot in the mail to vote the ballot and return it in time to be counted! Therefore, you are encouraged to vote your FWAB now!**

Vote your FWAB

You may download a FWAB at <http://www.fvap.gov/resources/media/fwab.pdf> or get a FWAB from your installation/embassy/consulate voting assistance office. To complete the FWAB's Voter's Declaration/Affirmation correctly, follow the Texas instructions at <http://www.fvap.gov/FWAB/fwab-tx.html>, or in the *2010-11 Voting Assistance Guide*. To complete the ballot, use the official candidate list at the Texas State Elections website at: www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/whatisontheballot.shtml

Return Your FWAB Immediately by Mail!

Fold and place the voted ballot in the security envelope and seal. Insert the sealed security envelope and the completed, signed and dated Voter's Declaration/Affirmation into the mailing envelope and mail the ballot directly to your local election office. Addresses can be found at <http://www.fvap.gov/contact/addresses/txaddr.html>.

Your State ballot or FWAB submitted within the U.S. must be received by your local election office by **7 pm April 13, 2010. State ballots and FWABs submitted by overseas uniformed services members, their families, or overseas citizens must be postmarked by 7 pm on April 13, 2010 and received no later than April 19, 2010.**

If you receive the regular State ballot after submitting the FWAB, vote and return it immediately! If both ballots are received by the deadline, only the regular State ballot will be counted.

For More Information: Go to the Texas election website at: <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/militaryoverseas.shtml> or visit FVAP at: www.fvap.gov.

We Want Your Feedback! If this document was helpful to you or if you ran into problems or have questions, please contact FVAP at 1-800-438-8683, DSN (312) 425-1584, or at vote@fvap.ncr.gov. Toll-free phone numbers from 67 countries are listed at: www.fvap.gov/contact/tollfreephone.html. With your feedback, we can make this even more helpful for the next election.