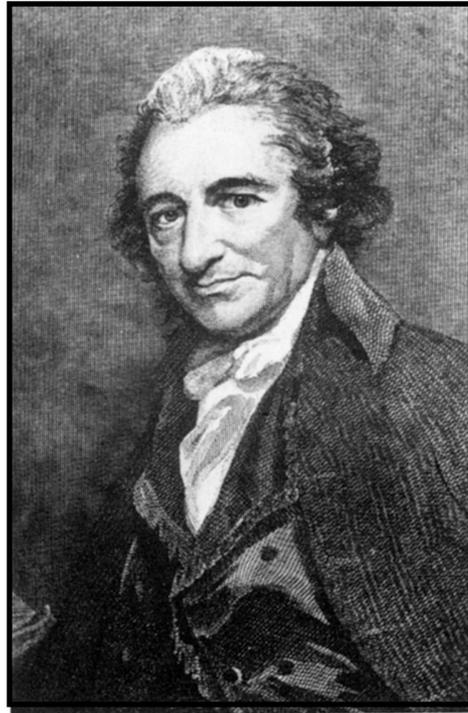


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“The right of voting for representatives is the primary right by which all other rights are protected. To take away this right is to reduce a man to slavery.”



- Thomas Paine

Concerns about Current Electronic Voting Machines



- **Computers are subject to programming error, equipment malfunction and malicious tampering.**
- **Programs are proprietary information and are not open to inspection.**
- **There are no paper trails and thus no ability to conduct recounts.**

Electronic Machines Currently in Use Can Be Hacked



On national television, Bev Harris, Executive Director of Black Box Voting, quickly hacked into a computer used for electronic voting to show how easily the results can be changed.

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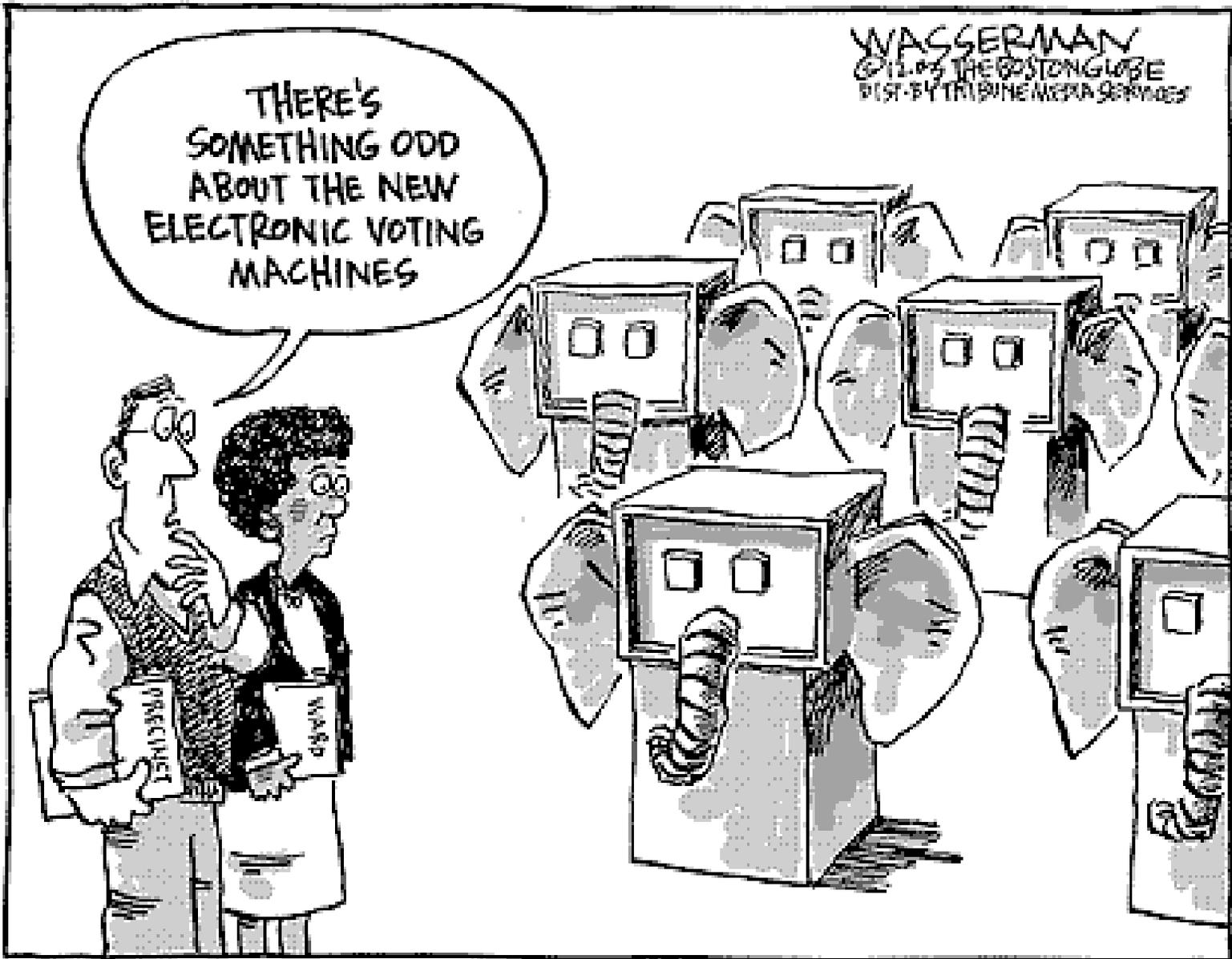
Who Controls the Voting Machines?



- ❖ **Diebold and Election Systems & Software (ES&S) oversee 80% of U.S. electronic voting machines.**
- ❖ **In the early 1980s, brothers Bob and Todd Urosevich founded ES&S's originator, Data Mark, with financing from the Ahmanson family, which has deep ties to right-wing evangelical Christians and Republicans.**
- ❖ **Bob Urosevich now heads Diebold Election Systems and Todd is a top executive at ES&S.**

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THERE'S
SOMETHING ODD
ABOUT THE NEW
ELECTRONIC VOTING
MACHINES



Chuck Hagel's Surprise Victory



- In 1996 Chuck Hagel became the first Republican in 24 years to win a Senate seat in Nebraska.
- He won virtually every demographic group, including many largely African-American communities that had never before voted Republican.
- Hagel previously headed the company that installed, programmed, and ran the voting machines used in the election.

And Max Cleland's Surprise Loss

In November 2002, popular Georgia Democratic Senator Max Cleland led by 5 percentage points prior to the election – the first ever conducted entirely on touch-screen voting machines. But then a mysterious swing of 12 percent on election day led to his defeat.



Computer Glitch Hurts Gore



On Election Night 2000, Diebold machines switched thousands of votes from Al Gore to George Bush in Volusia County, Florida, reversing trends pointing to a Gore victory. Diebold blamed the episode on a faulty memory chip, but the critically-timed malfunction led the media to switch their predictions to a Bush victory.

Conflict of Interest



“I am committed to helping Ohio deliver its electoral votes to the president next year.”

- Walden O'Dell

On September 26, 2003, Walden O'Dell, Chief Executive of Diebold, hosted an Ohio Republican Party fundraiser for Bush. His letter urged those attending to “Donate or raise \$10,000 for the Ohio Republican Party.”

California Bans Diebold Machines

In April 2004, California Secretary of State, Kevin Shelley banned more than 14,000 Diebold electronic voting machines because the company had installed uncertified software that had not been tested, and then lied to state officials about the machines.



“Their performance, their behavior, is despicable...if that's the kind of deceitful behavior they're going to engage in, they can't do business in California.”

- Kevin Shelley

The Voter Confidence and Increased Accessibility Act of 2003

On May 22, 2003, Congressman Rush Holt introduced H.R. 2239, requiring all voting machines to produce a paper record by 2004.

His legislation never made it out of the Republican-controlled committee.



Indicators Pointed to a Kerry Victory



- Undecided voters primarily break for the challenger.
- An incumbent with less than 50% approval will most likely lose the election.
- Voter registration favored the Democrats.
- A Zogby poll at 5pm on election day called Ohio and Florida for Kerry.

Exit Polls Showed Kerry Leading

State	Exit Poll Data 11/2	Final Vote Tally	Percentage Shift Toward Bush
1. Iowa	Kerry by 1.3%	Bush by .9%	+2.2%
2. Ohio	Kerry by 4.2%	Bush by 2.5%	+6.7%
3. Pennsylvania	Kerry by 8.7%	Kerry by 2.2%	+6.5%
4. Florida	Bush by .1%	Bush by 5%	+4.9%
5. Minnesota	Kerry by 9%	Kerry by 3.5%	+5.5%
6. Nevada	Kerry by 1.3%	Bush by 2.6%	+3.9%
7. New Hampshire	Kerry by 10.8%	Kerry by 1.3%	+9.5%
8. New Mexico	Kerry by 2.6%	Bush by 1.1%	+3.7%
9. Colorado	Bush by 1.8%	Bush by 5.2%	+3.7%

Material for this chart comes from Jonathan Simon, a former exit poll analyst, who collected and tabulated data from the CNN web-site before the data was changed during the morning of 11/3/04.



Dick Morris

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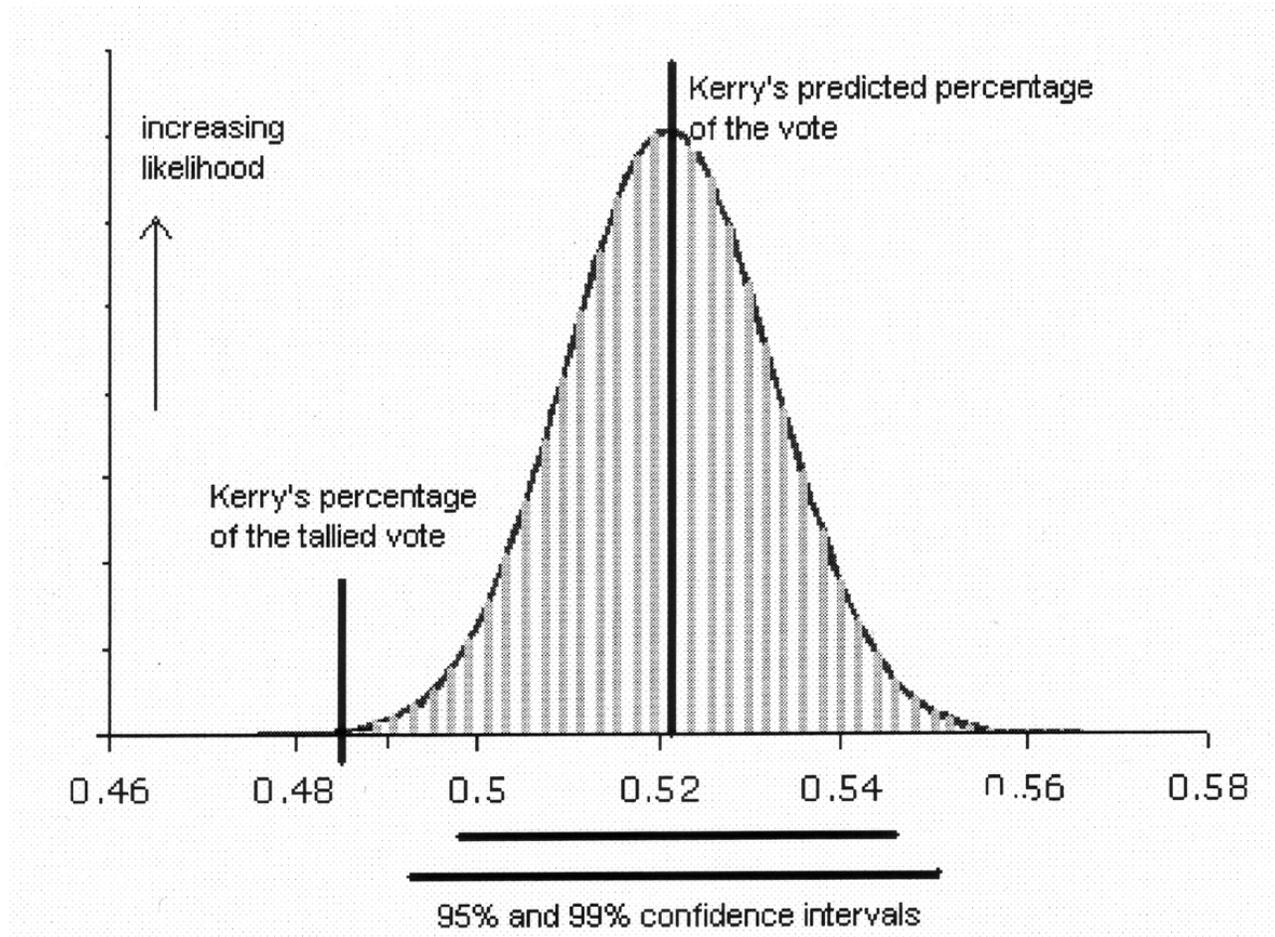
November 4, 2004

Those Faulty Exit Polls Were Sabotage

“Exit polls are almost never wrong...So reliable are the surveys that actually tap voters as they leave polling places that they are used as guides to the relative honesty of elections in Third World countries.”

Note: Dick Morris is a Republican consultant

Statistical Prediction of Kerry's True Percentage of the Vote in Ohio



From "The Unexplained Exit Poll Discrepancy" – Steven F. Freeman, PhD, University of Pennsylvania

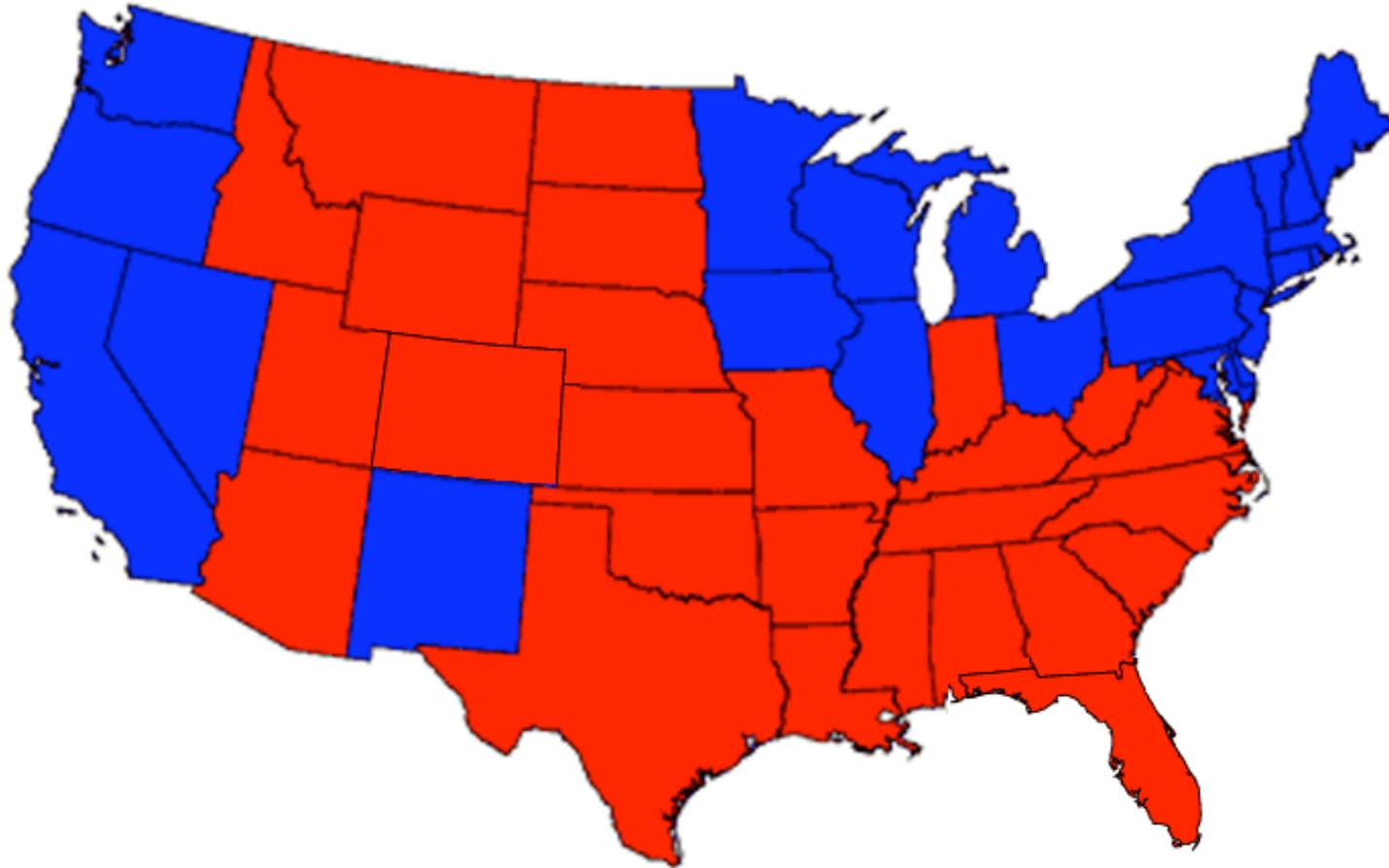
Predicted vs. Actual Percentages in the Three Critical Battleground States

<u>State</u>	<u>Bush Predicted</u>	<u>Kerry Predicted</u>	<u>Bush Tallied</u>	<u>Kerry Tallied</u>	<u>Tallied vs. Predicted</u>
<u>FL</u>	<u>49.8%</u>	<u>49.7%</u>	<u>52.1%</u>	<u>47.1%</u>	<u>Bush 4.9%</u>
<u>OH</u>	<u>47.9%</u>	<u>52.1%</u>	<u>51.0%</u>	<u>48.5%</u>	<u>Bush 6.7%</u>
<u>PA</u>	<u>45.4%</u>	<u>54.1%</u>	<u>48.6%</u>	<u>50.8%</u>	<u>Bush 6.5%</u>

“The likelihood of any two of these statistical anomalies occurring together is on the order of one-in-a-million. The odds against all three occurring together are 250 million to one.”

-Steven F. Freeman

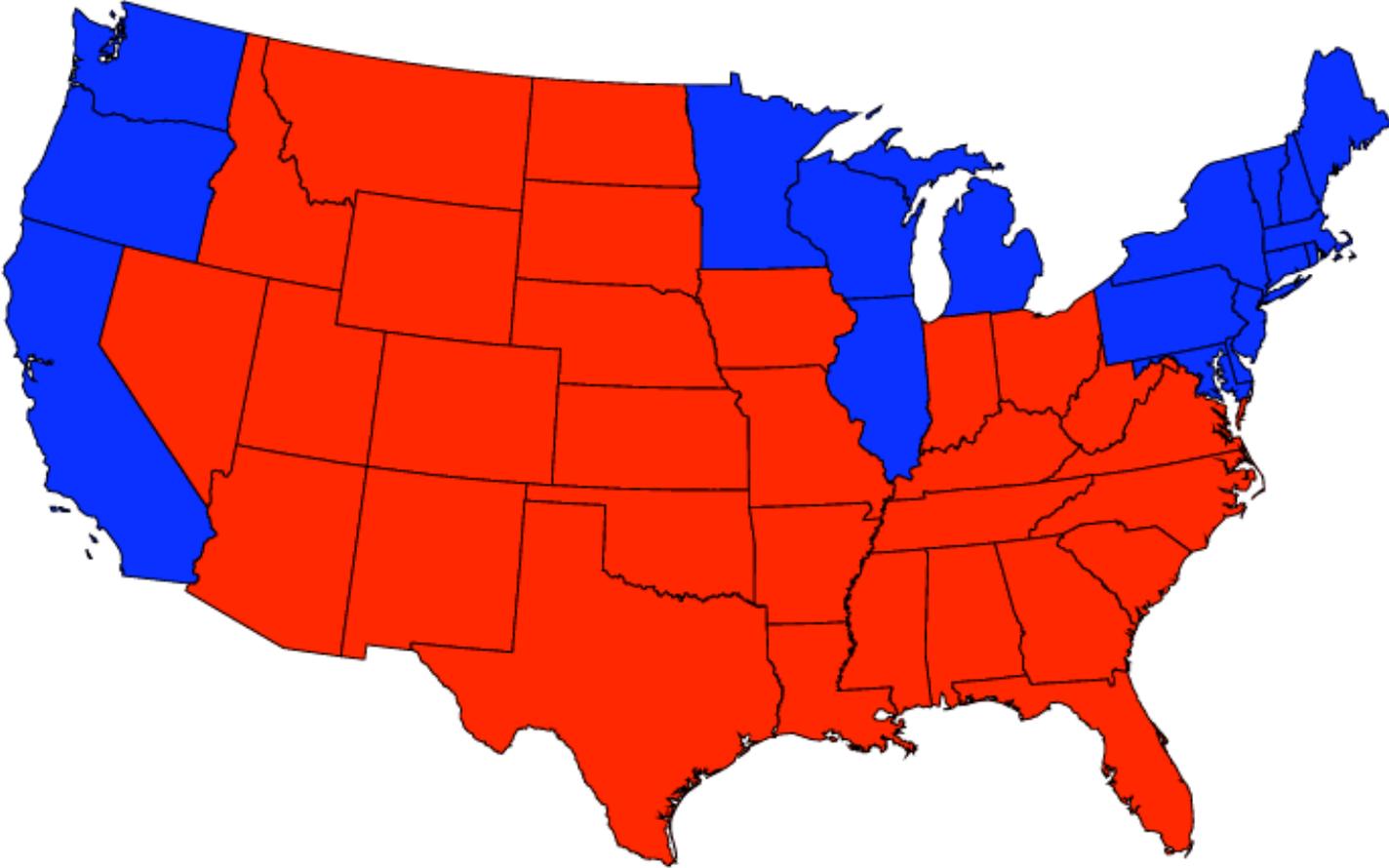
Electoral College Map if Exit Polls Were Correct



Kerry = 289

Bush = 249

Electoral College Map if Final Tallies Were Correct



Bush = 286

Kerry = 252



***Those who cast the votes decide nothing.
Those who count the votes decide everything.***

Powell Comments on the Election...



“We cannot accept this result as legitimate because it does not meet international standards. We call for a full review of the conduct of the election and the tallying.”

- Colin Powell

...in Ukraine

Where the final counts didn't match the exit polls.



“These polls don't work. We will win by between 3 to 5 percent. And remember, if Americans believed exit polls, and not the actual count, John Kerry would be president.”

- Gennady Korzh, Yanukovych spokesman

Electronic Voting Problems in 2004

- **In Gahanna, Ohio, where only 638 ballots were cast, Bush received 4,258 votes to Kerry's 260.**
- **On a referendum in Broward County, Florida, software subtracted votes rather than added them.**
- **In North Carolina, a Craven County district logged 11,283 more votes than voters and actually overturned the results of a regional race.**
- **People reported machines switching their votes from one candidate to another.**

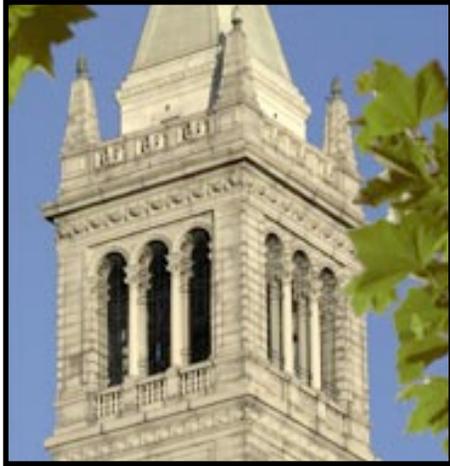
Errors were almost always in Bush's favor

Current Electronic Voting Machines Don't Allow Recounts



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Because there is no potential of conducting a true recount with current electronic voting machines, exit polls are one of the few ways to independently verify the validity of an election.



UC Report Sounds “Smoke Alarm”

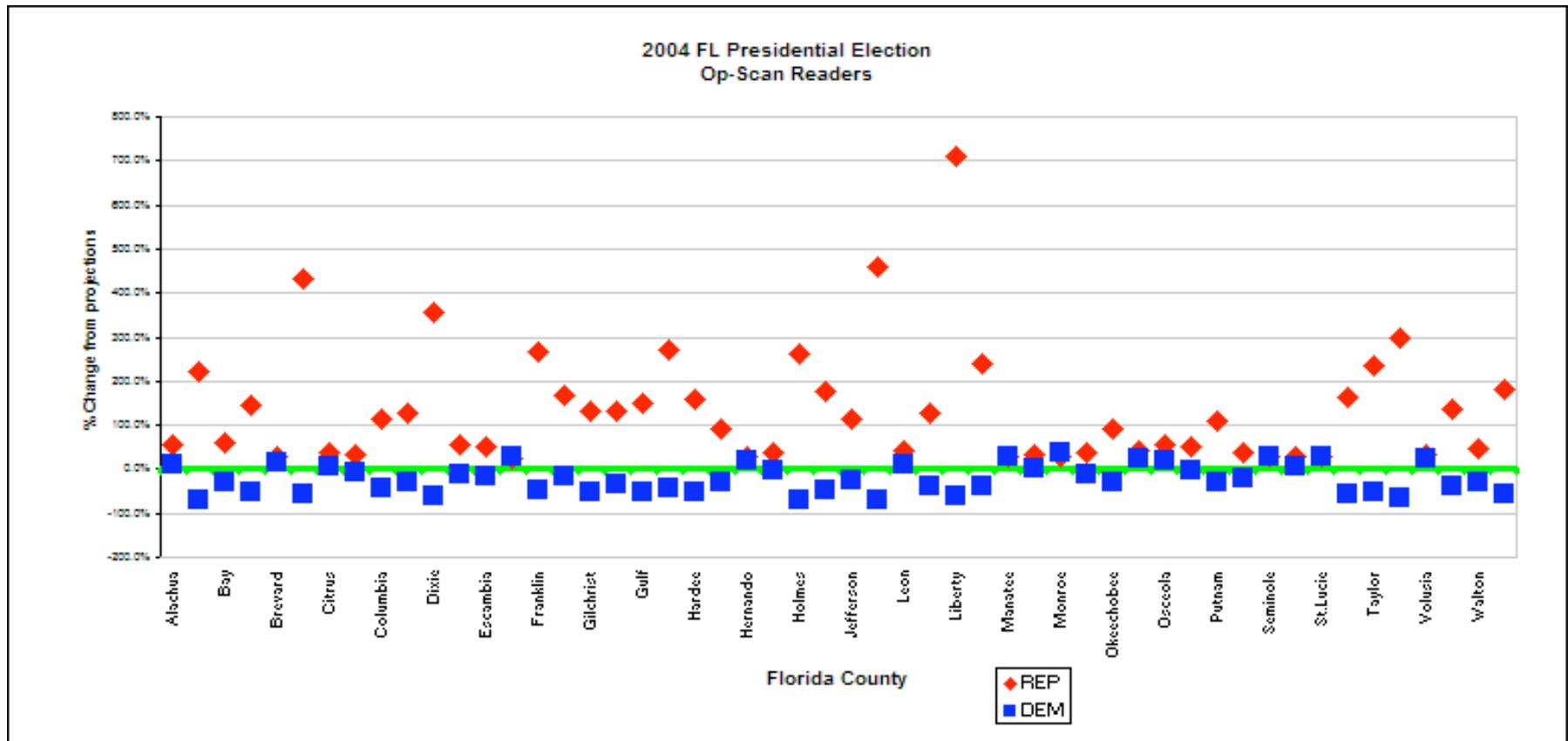
A study by UC Berkeley’s Quantitative Methods Research Team reported that irregularities associated with electronic voting machines may have awarded 130,000 - 260,000 or more excess votes to Bush in Florida.

“For the sake of future elections involving electronic voting – someone must investigate and explain the statistical anomalies in Florida.”

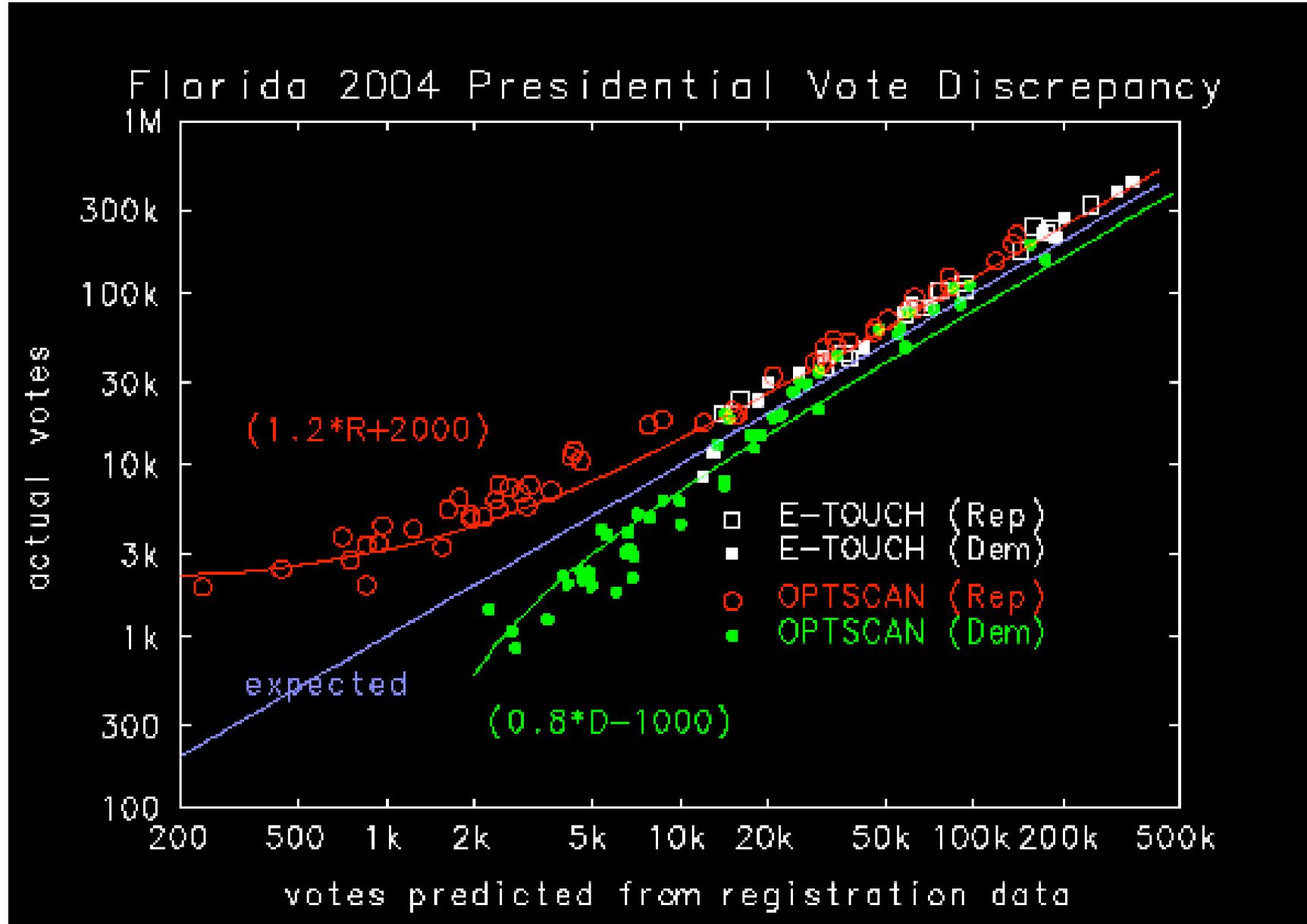
- Professor Michael Hout

“In Florida's counties using optically scanned paper ballots – fed into a central tabulator PC and thus vulnerable to hacking – the results seem to contain substantial anomalies.”

-Thom Hartmann, Reporter



Anomalies Were Especially Noticeable in Smaller Counties



Rick Walker - www.omnisterra.com/vote/index.html

Florida Vote Count Is Suspicious

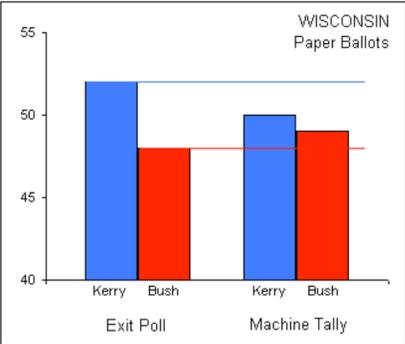
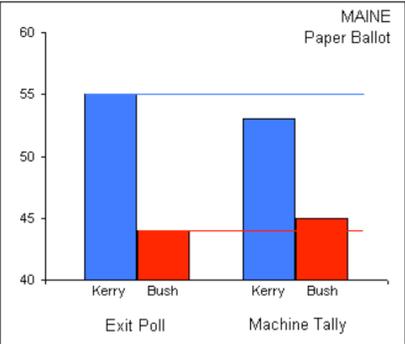
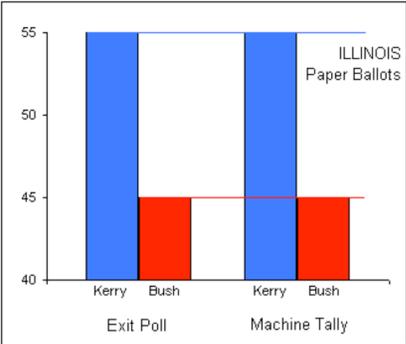
- **The Bush strategy in 2004 was based on turning out the 4 million Evangelical voters nationwide who stayed home in 2000.**
- **But Bush received 9 million new votes nationally, leaving 5 million unaccounted for.**
- **In Florida, Bush somehow came up with 1 million new votes – 11 percent of his nationwide increase. Bush's brother, Jeb, is the governor of Florida.**



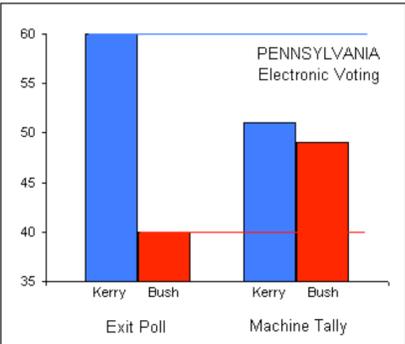
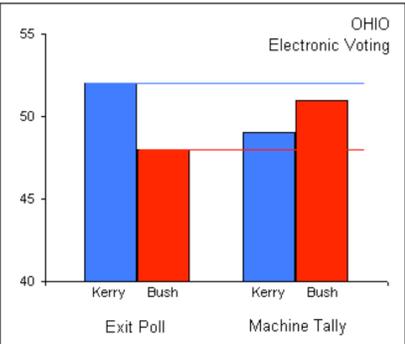
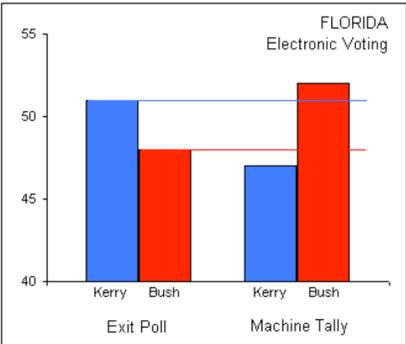
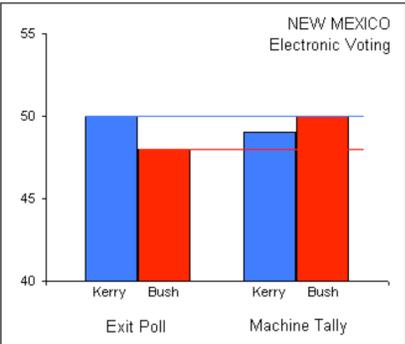
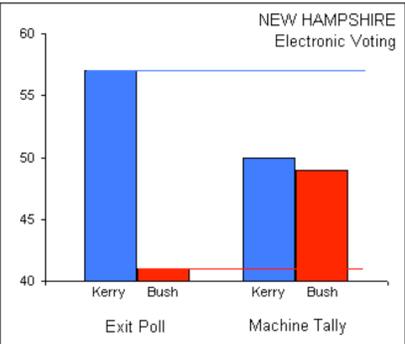
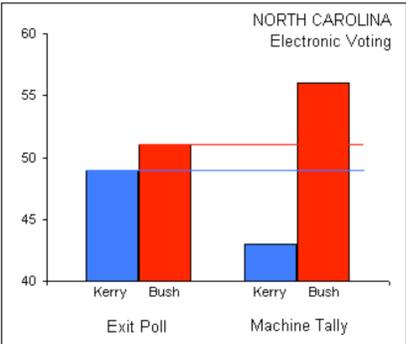
“51 percent of the voters gave Bush a negative approval rating; 51 percent voted for him.”
-Pollster John Zogby re: Florida

Paper Ballot Voting Matched Exit Polls

Paper Ballots

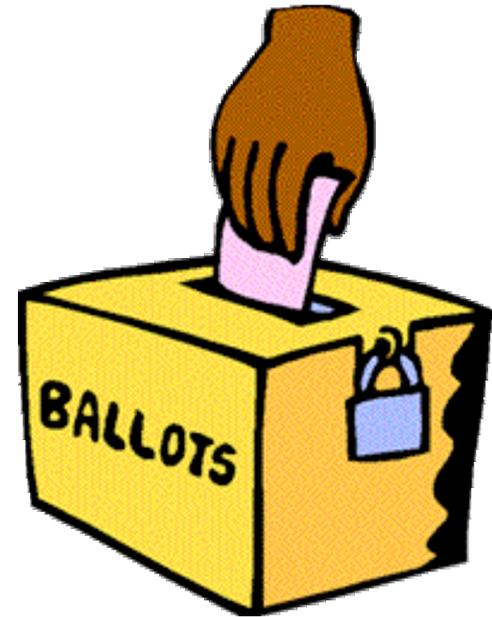


Electronic Machines



Voter Disenfranchisement

- **More than 57,000 irregularities were reported to the GAO.**
- **Fewer voting machines were available in low-income precincts, creating long lines.**
- **Some people never received their absentee ballots.**
- **Some polling places were moved at the last minute, and voters were sent to the wrong polling places.**
- **Many people had been removed from voter lists and had to fill out provisional ballots.**



Voter Intimidation

According to the *Free Press*, a group of 25 men calling themselves the “Texas Strike Force” made intimidating phone calls to likely Democratic voters from a hotel across the street from the Republican Party headquarters in Franklin County, Ohio. A hotel worker heard one caller threaten a likely voter with being reported to the FBI and returned to jail if he voted.



The Texans’ hotel rooms were reportedly paid for by the Ohio Republican Party.



Warren County Ohio

"The Incredible County"
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Officials in Warren County, Ohio excluded members of the press from observing vote counting on election night, claiming an FBI agent had warned of a terrorist threat. County employees had been warned about the lockdown a week earlier.

The FBI denied issuing such a warning.

Ohio's Ken Blackwell is 2004's Katherine Harris



- **Blackwell is Ohio's Secretary of State. He also Co-Chaired the Bush/Cheney Re-election Campaign.**
- **He reversed a rule allowing voters to cast provisional ballots anywhere in their county.**
- **He prevented any public inspection of poll books prior to vote certification.**

Fewer Voting Machines Were Available in Low-Income Precincts

**In Columbus, Ohio – where voters waited 2-7
hours to vote – turnout was 52.7%.**

**In Cincinnati, Ohio – where more voting machines
were available and lines were shorter – 66.3% of
registered voters went to the polls.**

**Voting machines were strategically moved
from Democratic to Republican precincts.**



In Franklin County, Ohio, election officials determined they needed 5,000 voting machines, but less than 3,000 were made available. 68 machines slated for predominantly African-American districts were left in warehouses.

Ohio Recount



Official tallies showed Bush winning Ohio by 119,000 votes. However, Green Party Candidate, David Cobb and Libertarian Candidate, Michael Badnarik filed for a recount.

The Ohio numbers were suspect because of disparities in vote totals for different Democrats on the same ballot; the disqualification of more than 90,000 presidential votes on punch-card ballots; the election night lock-down in Warren County; and computer malfunctions.

Possible Tampering by Election Firm

Sherole Eaton, a Deputy Director of Elections in Hocking County, Ohio, reported that prior to the recount, a representative from Triad GSI modified her computer tabulator, learned which precinct would be the subject of the initial test recount, and advised her how to manipulate the machinery so that the hand recount matched the machine count.

Triad's owner, Tod Rapp, has donated money to the Republican Party and George W. Bush.

Conyers Questions Ohio Vote



Representative John Conyers and other Democratic members of the House Judiciary Committee hosted a forum on voting irregularities in Ohio.

They heard public testimony about irregularities in vote tallying, registration peculiarities, counting discrepancies, unusual results, over-votes, spoiled ballots, machine problems, machine shortages, and invalidated provisional ballots.

A Call for a GAO Election Investigation



“The core principle of any democracy is the consent of the governed. All Americans, no matter how they voted, need to have confidence that when they cast their ballot, their voice is heard.”

- **Congressmen John Conyers, Jerrold Nadler, Robert Wexler, Robert Scott, and Rush Holt**

Ohio Electoral Vote Challenged



On January 6, 2005, Senator Barbara Boxer joined Congresswoman Stephanie Tubbs Jones and 29 other Representatives in challenging the Ohio Electoral College vote.

The challenge forced a two-hour debate and led to national media coverage of election irregularities.

Elements of Election Reform

- **Voter-verified paper ballots.**
- **Independent analysis of voting machine software and hardware.**
- **Open software source codes.**
- **No contributions from voting companies to candidates for public office.**
- **Public dissemination of all relevant voting data and documents.**
- **Random, surprise recounts to audit election equipment.**

Election Reform Legislation

HR 550: Voter Confidence and Increased Accessibility Act of 2005

HR 704 & S 330: Voting Integrity and Verification Act of 2005 (VIVA 2005)

HR 939 & S 450: Count Every Vote Act of 2005

HR 533 & S 17: Voting Opportunity and Technology Enhancement Rights Act of 2005 (VOTER Act of 2005)

HR 278: Know Your Vote Counts Act of 2005

More Information: www.VerifiedVoting.org

Voter Confidence and Increased Accessibility Act of 2005

HR 550 (Rush Holt)

Requires a voter-verified permanent paper record and a random, unannounced, hand count of ballots in at least two percent of precincts.

**Pros: Very strong.
120 co-sponsors.**

**Cons: No companion bill in the Senate.
Lack of bipartisan support.**

Count Every Vote Act of 2005

S 450 (Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton)

HR 939 (Representative Stephanie Tubbs Jones)

Amends the Help America Vote Act to require a voter-verified paper record, and to improve provisional balloting.

Pros: Very strong.

Introduced in both chambers of Congress.

Con: Lack of bipartisan support.

Voting Integrity and Verification Act of 2005 (VIVA 2005)

S-330 (Senator John Ensign)

HR 704 (Representative Jim Gibbons)

Amends the Help America Vote Act to require a voter-verified permanent record.

Pros: Enjoys bipartisan support.

Introduced in both chambers of Congress.

Con: Weaker than other bills.

Take Action

- 1. Join our email list to receive updates and action alerts on election fraud and reform.**
- 2. Call your elected representatives in Congress and encourage them to support election reform legislation – 1-800-839-5276 or 1-202-224-3121.**
- 3. Write a letter to the editor expressing your concerns about election irregularities and the need for a thorough investigation.**
- 4. Encourage your city council to pass a resolution in support of election reform.**
- 5. Forward this website URL to your friends – www.ElectionFraud2004.org**