

The Four R's of Election Reform
By the League of Women Voters of Ohio

1. REVIEW THE VARIOUS STATUTES AND RULINGS GOVERNING ELECTION SYSTEMS

- Conduct an in-depth review of the election process to eliminate procedural ambiguities, contradictions, inconsistencies, and lack of clarity, poll worker confusion, and voter mistrust.
- Address the ambiguities giving rise to numerous lawsuits, the volume of last minute directives and advisories, and the inconsistencies from election to election.

2. REASSIGN ELECTION ADMINISTRATION TO AN INDEPENDENT NONPARTISAN AUTHORITY

- Transfer the election administration duties of the Secretary of State to a newly-created, independent, nonpartisan election administration authority.
- Prohibit authority members from participating in or contributing to any issue or candidacy on the ballot.

3. REMOVE BARRIERS TO VOTING

- Carefully expand the number of early voting locations in each county.
- Eliminate voter ID requirements; alternatively, eliminate inconsistencies between absentee and provisional voter ID requirements.
- Permit voters in wrong precincts to vote for candidates or issues not precinct-specific.

4. RESOLVE STATEWIDE VOTER REGISTRATION DATABASE PROBLEMS BY 2010

- Identify, correct and publicize causes of inconsistencies between county Board of Elections and statewide databases.
- Identify and notify voters erroneously dropped from poll lists.
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