

ILLINOIS COALITION FOR HONEST ELECTIONS*

Ten Essentials

1. Nonpartisan/bipartisan election boards at the state, county and township levels.
2. All votes cast on paper ballots having legal vote status.
3. Minimum of 10% of all ballots in each county randomly selected for a complete paper ballot hand count. Hand count conducted by bipartisan/multi-partisan team of trained election judges. Detection of erroneous/fraudulent precinct vote total mandates complete hand count, for contest in question, within the affected county.
4. Employers provide employees four hours of paid leave to vote on Election Day. These wages may be taken as a credit against state income taxes.
5. Publicly funded nonpartisan exit polls conducted and reported on Election Day for all federal, statewide and other key elections.
6. Uniform voting procedures, methods and standards at all polling places and election facilities.
7. Adequate public funding to recruit, train and compensate two shifts of election judges and official ballot counters.
8. Election officials to post precinct vote totals at polling place on election night.
9. Countywide and statewide vote totals tabulated in public view at election centers. Tabulation conducted by three separate count teams. Two count teams staffed by political parties. One count team staffed by nonpartisan organization.
10. All paper ballots retained by election authorities in secure nonpartisan locations until statute of limitation expires.

The **Illinois Coalition for Honest Elections** is a nonpartisan group of Illinois citizens dedicated to honest elections throughout the state. E-mail quickinfo@gnc.us.