



BACKGROUND: This election will be the first time Texas voters will not be able to vote straight party so the amount of time they will be in the voting stations and the voting lines will be significantly longer than previous years. As our hospital beds continue to fill in Houston due to the high number of exposed individuals to COVID-19, I believe this is something we must do to protect our voters and our volunteers at the voting locations.

REQUEST: Emergency Texas Legislative Session Vote for The Texas Safe Ballot Drop Off Option

Ballot Pick Up:

- **Locations:** Texas has already approved substations such as HEB and Kroger to operate in an official capacity to renew vehicle registrations, I propose we utilize the system in place to allow voters to show ID and print the unique ballot for their address to take home to fill out.
- **Dates:** Starting September 19, 2020 (One month prior to early voting) – Ending November 2, 2020 (Day before Election Day)

Ballot Drop Off:

- **Locations:** Official Voting Stations (ID Required)
- **Dates:** Early Voting October 19, 2020 - October 30, 2020 or Regular Voting November 3, 2020
- **Drop Off Method:**
 - Option 1: Offer a Drive Up / Drop Off Ballot Area - ID is required
 - Option 2: Offer a Separate Ballot Drop Off Area - ID is required

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