We need your support to help get the electronic voting bill, Assembly Bill 2159 approved by the **Senate Judiciary Committee on July 2, 2024**. If passed, this bill would allow your HOA the option of conducting most electronic electronically, saving your association money and making it easier for homeowners to participate!

Currently, HOAs rely on a paper-based mail-in-voting system similar to Californian's vote-by-mail process. While vote-by-mail is a valid method for voting, it suffers from low community participation and significant costs. Additionally, if an association fails to meet the quorum requirement, the election must be postponed and then rescheduled, which increases costs and inconveniences owners.

Transitioning to an electronic balloting system will allow California to join twenty-seven other states and bring the community association election process into the modern era, increasing participation and efficiency. Electronic voting can make it easier for homeowners to vote, leading to higher turnout and more representative elections. In addition to reducing costs associated with printing, mailing, and processing paper ballots, electronic voting is also an environmentally friendly process.

<u>Email your Senator</u> to urge them to vote in support of AB 2159. Electronic balloting systems are not a new idea, just new to California. Allowing HOAs to vote electronically is long overdue, and will increase participation and reduce costs for HOAs.

Please be aware that this call to action is intended for constituents of California legislators in the Senate Judiciary Committee. If you are not one of their constituents, then please keep an eye on your inbox for future calls to action!

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