

## Key Points on Senate Intergovernmental Operations Committee Subpoenas

September 15, 2021

### What is included in the subpoenas:

- Communications between the Department of State and counties.
- Directives, guidance and training distributed by Department of State to counties.
- Information regarding voter registration, voter history, methods of voting, changes to voter records, and audits/reviews of the SURE system.

### What is NOT included in the subpoenas:

- Information on party affiliation.
- Requests for any information that could determine which candidate(s) any individual voter selected.
- Anything else that threatens voter secrecy or security.

### Use and importance of information:

- Much of the information subpoenaed is already publicly available and is often provided to political parties upon request, including voter names, addresses, counties and history.
- Information that is not publicly available (i.e. date of birth and last four digits of Social Security number) is necessary to match voters on different lists who have the same name and/or address.
- This information confirms a voter is alive, eligible to vote, and not registered multiple times in different districts, counties or precincts.

### Security of voter information

- In a legal sense, possession of voter information by the Legislative Branch is no different than the Executive Branch; the subpoenas simply compel the transfer of information from one branch of government to another.
- IGO staff and legal counsel will take the steps necessary to protect the personal information of voters, including arranging for the receipt, storage and security of information.

**Any suggestion these subpoenas jeopardize voter secrecy and security are red herrings with absolutely no basis in fact or reality.**