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Cc: Antoinette Spinelli
Subject: Legislative Updates

Hello all,

With the kick-off of the Legislative session last week, I wanted to provide an update to E-Committee.

On January 28th, Absentee Ballot Task Force, comprised of SOTS staff, CTCA and ROVAC members, submitted our proposal to Secretary Merrill for her approval.

The following items were approved by the Secretary as these recommendations were administrative items that her office could address without legislative approval.

- Re-design the absentee ballot envelope
 - Change dimension of the envelope and add color (to be decided)
 - Display "Mail ballot by (5 days...yet to determined) to ensure timely delivery and counting of ballot" (Language TBD)
- Send memo to NY Postmaster to address Fairfield and New Haven County mailing issues.
 - Provide information on to how to identify CT ABs
 - Address timely processing of the ABs
- Replace voter instruction sheet with easy to follow visual instructions
- Voter registration and AB information to be disseminated to all college students at State Colleges through State College email system
- Review current e-signature laws with the CTCA to determine if current e-signature law, presently used for e-recordings, would apply to AB applications received electronically.

Week of Feb 17th – Legislative Committee meetings

- Legislative Committee members, Mark Bernacki and Fran Villani, and I met with the leadership of CCM and COST to discuss the Scanner Fee bill. Since the potential revenue loss is a town-wide issue, CTCA has taken a position that Town Managers/First Selectman/Mayors and the Finance Directors need to advocate the town's position with respect to the bill. Both CCM and COST concurred that the municipal leaders needed to testify regarding the bill. Both associations will reach out to their membership.
- Fran and I met, Rep. Mike France (Ranking Member of the GAE Committee) to discuss the vacancy issue for candidates on the ballot. We advocated for a 46 day deadline for withdrawal of candidates that will be replaced by the party. Additionally, we advocated for electronic signatures for AB applications. Rep. France agree to propose both of the election bills with the GAE Committee. Rep. France also asked our position on scanner bill. We informed him of our meeting with CCM and COST. Rep. France concurred with our position as Finance Boards and Town Councils appropriate funds and not Town Clerks.

I will see you next Wednesday at the E-Committee Meeting.

Anna M. Posniak, MCTC, CMC
Town Clerk