

# INDIANA DELEGATE SELECTION PLAN

FOR THE 2024 DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION

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# The Indiana Delegate Selection Plan For the 2024 Democratic National Convention

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# Indiana

## Delegate Selection Plan

### For the 2024 Democratic National Convention

#### Section I

#### Introduction & Description of Delegate Selection Process

##### A. Introduction

1. Indiana has a total of 76 delegates and 6 alternates. *(Call I & Appendix B)*
2. The delegate selection process is governed by the *Charter and Bylaws of the Democratic Party of the United States*, the *Delegate Selection Rules for the 2024 Democratic National Convention* (“Rules”), the *Call for the 2024 Democratic National Convention* (“Call”), the *Regulations of the Rules and Bylaws Committee for the 2024 Democratic National Convention* (“Regs.”), the rules of the Democratic Party of State, the state election code, and this Delegate Selection Plan. *(Call II.A)*
3. Following the state Party Committee’s adoption of this Delegate Selection Plan, the state Party shall submit the Plan for review and approval by the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee (“RBC”). The state Party Chair shall be empowered to make any technical revisions to this document as required by the RBC to correct any omissions and/or deficiencies as found by the RBC to ensure its full compliance with Party Rules. Such corrections shall be made by the state Party Chair and the Plan resubmitted to the RBC within 30 days of receipt of notice of the RBC’s findings. *(Reg. 2.5, Reg. 2.6 & Reg. 2.7)*
4. Once this Plan has been found in Compliance by the RBC, any amendment to the Plan by the State Party must be submitted to and approved by the RBC before it becomes effective. *(Reg. 2.9)*

##### B. Description of Delegate Selection Process

1. Indiana will use a proportional representation system based on the results of the 2024 Indiana Primary Election for apportioning delegates to the 2024 Democratic National Convention.
2. The “first determining step” of Indiana’s delegate selection process will occur on May 7th, 2024, with a Primary Election. This is the only Primary Election Day in

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Indiana, thus several other candidates for office will be on the ballot, including candidates for Governor and US House of Representatives.

### C. Voter Participation

1. Participation in Indiana's delegate selection process is open to all voters who wish to participate as Democrats. *(Rule 2.A and Rule 2.C.)*
  - a. All persons wanting to vote in Indiana's Primary Election must register to vote by April 8, 2024.
  - b. Democratic Party affiliation is determined by the most recent primary voting record for each person, but will not restrict newly registered voters from participating if they show faithful interest in the welfare and success of the Indiana Democratic Party and the Democratic Party of the United States.
    - i. Voters wishing to declare their Democratic Party preference must ask for a ballot by party designation. After this is recorded, the voter must sign their name, thus establishing party preference and recording it for future reference. *(Rule 2.A & Reg. 4.3.A)*
  - c. To encourage participation by youth in the delegate selection process, any individual who will have turned 18 by the date of the general election will be allowed to participate in the delegate selection process. *(Reg. 4.3.C)*
  - d. At no stage of Indiana's delegate selection process shall any person be required, directly or indirectly, to pay a cost or fee as a condition for participating. Voluntary contributions to the Party may be made, but under no circumstances shall a contribution be mandatory for participation. *(Rule 2.D & Reg. 4.4)*
  - e. No person shall participate or vote in the nominating process for the Democratic presidential candidate who also participates in the nominating process of any other party for the corresponding election. *(Rule 2.E)*
  - f. Votes shall not be taken by secret ballot at any stage of the delegate selection process, including processes leading up to the selection of DNC Members or State Chairs or Vice Chairs, who serve as DNC members by virtue of their office, except that use of such voting by secret ballot may be used in a process that is the first determining stage of the delegate selection process and in which all individual voters who wish to participate as Democrats are eligible to do so. *(Rule 2.F)*
  - g. No person shall vote in more than one (1) meeting which is the first meeting in the delegate selection process. *(Rule 3.E & Reg. 4.7)*

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2. The Indiana Democratic Party has taken steps to seek enactment of legislation, rules, and policies at the state and local level to enhance voter and election security to accomplish the following seven goals. All Senate Bills (SB) and House Bills (HB) mentioned are from the 2023 legislative session

- a. Maintain secure and accurate state voter registration rolls, so that every eligible American who registers to vote has their personal information protected and secure; *(Rule 2.H.1)*

The Indiana Democratic Party, through the party's legislative members, has supported numerous bipartisan and nonpartisan voter registration laws that are in compliance with the National Voter Registration Act (NVRA) and the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) including the use and implementation of a statewide voter registration system under the control of the bipartisan state election division. The security of the statewide voter registration system, also known as the Indiana Subscriber Reporting System (ISRS), has been of utmost importance to the bipartisan election division. In the effort to uphold strong security standards, the state's system requires users to set up multi-factor authentication and abide by all user access and password policies. ISRS also utilizes an Albert sensor to servers supporting the system, which is monitored by the EI-ISAC.

- b. Implement transparent and accurate voter registration list maintenance procedures that comply with federal requirements and ensure that every eligible voter stays on the rolls; *(Rule 2.H.2)*

The Indiana Democratic Party continues to support legislative efforts that ensure any voter list maintenance program fully complies with the requirements of the NVRA and that it is executed in a uniform and nondiscriminatory manner. We support our legislative members' efforts to expand voter registration to Election Day (*HB 1427, HB 1482*) and automatic voter registration (*HB 1247*). Our party, through the Democratic staff at the Indiana Election Division, monitors current voter list maintenance efforts conducted at the county level to ensure compliance with state law and recommend needed changes to our state's voter registration law that adversely affects voters. In addition, the bipartisan Election Division is required to implement a biannual statewide voter list maintenance program pursuant to state law, and the co-directors and their staff ensure both state and federal laws are followed.

- c. Promote the acquisition, maintenance, and regular replacement of precinct based optical scan voting systems; *(Rule 2.H.3)*

The Indiana Democratic Party has nominated two (2) highly qualified members to the four (4) member Indiana Election Commission. This commission has the

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responsibility to approve voting systems that can be used in an election in the state of Indiana and monitor voting systems to ensure each system remains compliant with both Indiana law and federal guidelines that set the requirements each system must follow. (*Indiana Code 3-6-4.1, 3-11-7; 3-11-15*)

- d. Ensure that any direct recording electronic systems in place have a voter verified paper record; (*Rule 2.H.4*)

Currently Indiana law permits a county election board to use an optical scan ballot voting system or a direct record electronic voting system. Indiana is one of the few states where a DRE is not required to have a voter-verified paper audit trail. While there are no current bills in the legislature pushing for this reform, the Indiana Democratic Party and its members in the state legislature have supported previous legislative efforts to require direct record electronic systems to have a voter verified paper audit trail in order for the system to be used in an election in Indiana.

- e. Implement risk limiting post-election audits such as manual audits comparing paper records to electronic records; (*Rule 2.H.5*)

Indianapolis/Marion County implements a risk limiting audit process, which allows officials to test several RLA methods. The party's support of a move to require voter verified paper audit trails is a necessity as only ballots marked by an individual can be used in an RLA. While there are no current bills in the legislature pushing for a risk-limiting post-election audit, the Indiana Democratic Party and its members in the state legislature have supported previous legislative efforts to do so.

- f. Ensure that all voting systems have recognized security measures; (*Rule 2.H.6*)

The Indiana Democratic Party supports its legislative members' efforts to provide required security measures for county election boards so that voting systems are not improperly accessed before, after, or in between election cycles and that these systems remain under the control of the bipartisan county election board when not in use during an election and the Democratic state election division staff's continual efforts to assist and advise counties on what security measures can be implemented (*Indiana Code 3-11-7-20; 3-11-7.5-24; 3-11-15-46*).

- g. Use accessible and secure voting machines that make it possible for individuals with disabilities to vote securely and privately, with votes verifiable by voters; (*Rule 2.H.7*)

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The Indiana Democratic Party supports the state's use of a nonpartisan technical oversight program that reviews and tests to ensure the voting systems comply with state and federal voting accessibility and security laws (*IC 3-11-16*).

- h. Provide educational materials to enhance public knowledge and confidence in election administration and counter disinformation; (*Rule 2.H.8*)

The Indiana Election Division provides extensive election administration informational materials regarding election administration on their main websites, [www.in.gov/sos/elections](http://www.in.gov/sos/elections) and [www.indianavoters.com](http://www.indianavoters.com). On those websites, they have helpful resources for voters, including voter registration and the ability to apply for an absentee ballot online.

- i. Actively engaging with state and local officials to implement fair and honest election policies and practices; and (*Rule 2.H.9*)

The Indiana Democratic Party and the Indiana Election Division work closely with county clerks to ensure they are following through with fair and honest election policies and practices. Each election cycle, the Indiana Democratic Party sets up a voter protection hotline to ensure as many violations to those policies are addressed and corrected quickly.

- j. Support adequate funding for state and local election administration. (*Rule 2.H.10*)

There currently aren't any efforts in the legislature to adjust election administration funding, but the Indiana Democratic Party supports adequate funding for state and local election administration.

- 3. In accordance with the Democratic Party's requirement to assess and improve participation with respect to presidential preference and the delegate selection process, the Indiana Democratic Party has taken steps to establish, with DNC assistance, year-round voter protection programs to support educational, administrative, legislative, and litigation-based efforts to protect and expand the vote and advance election fairness and security. (*Rule 2.I and 2.I.1*)

Indiana allows for in-person absentee voting (early voting) at a county circuit court clerk's office and county election board established satellite voting locations beginning twenty-eight (28) days before an election and concluding at noon, local prevailing time, the day before the election. The office of the board of elections and registration for each county will have early voting opportunities available during regular business hours within this time frame. The county absentee voter board in the office of the circuit court clerk must also permit voters to cast absentee ballots for at least seven (7) hours on each of the two (2) Saturdays preceding election day.



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(*Indiana Code 3-11-10-26*). All counties may establish satellite offices for the purposes of absentee voting with additional times where a voter may cast an absentee ballot (*Indiana Code 3-11-10-26.3*). In-person “early” voting requires the voter to present an ID that comports with the state’s voter ID law: 1) ID must be issued by the state of Indiana or federal government; 2) voter’s name on the ID must conform to the name of the voter’s registration; 3) include a photo of the voter; and 4) be current or expired since the date of the last general election (*Indiana Code 3-5-2-40.5*).

Indiana also allows absentee voting by mail but requires a voter to claim a statutorily-provided reason in order to receive an absentee ballot. (*Indiana Code 3-11-10-24*)

In the May Primary Election, a voter may request an absentee ballot by mail between December 1 of the previous year and not later than 11:59pm (local prevailing time) eight days before the election. For the November General Election, a voter may request an absentee ballot by mail when voter registration re-opens after the Primary Election through 11:59pm (local prevailing time) eight days before the election. All domestic and military and overseas voters with approved applications to vote by mail must receive their ballot not later than forty-five (45) days before the election (*Indiana Code 3-11-4-18*). After that date passes a voter will have an absentee ballot mailed to them as soon as their application is received, processed, and approved. A voter must return their absentee ballot to their county’s election board no later than noon, local prevailing time, on Election Day for the absentee ballot to be counted (*Indiana Code 3-11.5-4-10*). In the few Indiana counties that count absentee ballots at the precinct, the ballot must be received by the county election board not later than the last delivery of absentee ballots to the precinct.

Additionally, voters with a disability that prevents them from completing their ballot independently and injured or confined voters can request a bipartisan absentee voting board visit them so that the voter may cast an absentee ballot (*Indiana Code 3-11-10-25*). Absentee voter boards may begin to visit voters who have requested to vote by absentee ballot via a board beginning nineteen (19) days before Election Day and end on the day before Election Day.

The Indiana Democratic Party has also taken steps to achieve the six goals set forth below. All Senate Bills (SB) and House Bills (HB) mentioned are from the 2023 legislative session. (*Rule 2.1 and 2.1.1*)

- a. Expand access to voting, including by early voting, no excuse absentee voting, same-day voter registration, drop boxes and voting by mail; (*Rule 2.1.1.a*)

The Indiana Democratic Party continues to support its legislative members’ efforts to push for same-day voter registration (*HB 1427, HB 1482*) and

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implement automatic voter registration (*HB 1247*). The Indiana Democratic party and its legislative members have also aggressively opposed HB 1334, a bill designed to add unnecessary hurdles to voting by mail and travel board voting in Indiana.

- b. Ensure that voting locations are accessible, fairly placed, and adequate in number, and have a sufficient number of voting machines; (*Rule 2.1.1.b*)

Indiana has implemented federal voter accessibility laws and included them in state statute to make them applicable to all elections conducted in the state. (*Indiana Code 3-11-8-1.2; 3-11-8-3.1; 3-11-8-3.4; 3-11-8-6*)

- c. Speed up the voting process and minimize long lines; (*Rule 2.1.1.c*)

The Indiana Democratic party and its legislative members have aggressively opposed HB 1334, a bill designed to add unnecessary hurdles to voting by mail and travel board voting in Indiana. HB 1334 would force many voters to vote on Election Day if they didn't meet the criteria set in the bill, which would result in a confusing voting process and longer lines.

- d. Eliminate onerous and discriminatory voter identification requirements; (*Rule 2.1.1.d*)

The Indiana Democratic Party and its members sued to strike down Indiana's voter identification law when it was enacted in 2005. *Crawford v. Marion County Election Board*, 553 U.S. 181 (2008).

The Indiana Democratic Party and its legislative members have opposed HB 1334, which includes cumbersome policies around voter identification requirements for absentee voting. Our Democratic Co-Directors at the Indiana Election Division strongly believe that if passed, this bill would hurt voters who cannot easily provide a photocopy of their ID, which would primarily affect the elderly, people with disabilities, and others who face obstacles obtaining a physical ID.

- e. Count and include in the final total ballots from voters who are eligible to vote but cast their ballots in the wrong precinct, for offices for which they are eligible to vote; and (*Rule 2.1.1.e*)

65% of Indiana's counties are vote center counties. If a voter resides in one of those counties, they are not assigned a specific location in their precinct and instead can vote at any listed location convenient for them within their county. Some of Indiana's largest counties are vote center counties, including Marion, Vanderburgh, St. Joseph, and Tippecanoe.

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- f. Facilitate military and overseas voting. (*Rule 2.1.1.f*)

Indiana has implemented federal military and overseas voting laws (MOVE Act) and added those requirements in state law to make them applicable to all elections conducted in the state (*Indiana Code 3-11-4-5.5; 3-11-4-5.7; 3-11-4-6; 3-11-4-7; 3-11-4-8*). Military and overseas voters are permitted to vote by fax or email, if the individual waives their right to a private ballot.

4. As part of encouraging participation in the delegate selection process by registered voters, the Indiana Democratic party is promoting the following. (*Rule 2.1.2*)

- a. Voter registration modernization, including online voter registration and automatic and same-day registration; (*Rule 2.1.2.a*)

The Indiana Democratic Party continues to support its legislative members' efforts to push for same-day voter registration (*HB 1427, HB 1482*) and implement automatic voter registration (*HB 1247*).

Additionally, Indiana does permit online voter registration for those individuals with a valid Indiana driver's license or state ID card. This requirement is necessary to provide for the electronic signature on the BMV file to be imported electronically to the voter's registration record within the statewide voter registration system. We support the Democratic staff of the Indiana Election Division in their continued pursuit to modernize Indiana's online voter registration system as required by Indiana Code 3-7-26.7 and making it efficient for all Indiana registered voters to look up and confirm their voter registration information, find important election dates and information, and find election results data on its public facing voter registration website [www.indianavoters.com](http://www.indianavoters.com)

- b. Pre-registration of high school students so that they are already registered once they reach voting age; (*Rule 2.1.2.b*)

Indiana law permits a voter who will be 18 on or before the date of the November general election to register and vote in the May primary election.

- c. Restoration of voting rights to all people who have served the time for their criminal conviction, without requiring the payment of court fees or fines; and (*Rule 2.1.2.c*)

Indiana currently allows any person who was imprisoned following conviction of a crime and is subsequently released to register to vote and participate in elections, even if those individuals are on probation, parole, or home detention (*Indiana Code 3-7-13-4; 3-7-13-5*).

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- d. Same-day or automatic registration of voters for the Democratic presidential nominating process.] (*Rule 2.I.2.d*)

The Indiana Democratic Party continues to support its legislative members' efforts to push for same-day voter registration (*HB 1427, HB 1482*) and implement automatic voter registration (*HB 1247*).

5. Indiana is participating in the state government-run presidential preference primary that will utilize government run-voting systems. Indiana is not a party registration state. A voter is eligible to cast a ballot in an Indiana Democratic Primary if they voted for a majority of the party's nominees in the last General (federal) Election or, if the voter did not vote in the last General Election, intends to vote in the next General Election after the Primary Election and will vote for a majority of the party's nominees on the voter's ballot (Indiana Code 3-10-1-6). (*Rule 2.J and Rule 2.J.1*)

### **D. Scheduling of Delegate Selection Meetings**

The dates, times and places for all official Party meetings and events related to the state's delegate selection process must be scheduled to encourage the participation of all Democrats. Such meetings must begin and end at reasonable hours. The state party is responsible for selecting the dates and times and locating and confirming the availability of publicly accessible facilities for all official meetings and events related to this process. In addition, the scheduling of meetings shall consider any religious observations that could significantly affect participation. (*Rule 3.A & Reg. 4.*)

## Section II Presidential Candidates

### A. Ballot Access

The State of Indiana and the Indiana Democratic Party do not require filing fees of any kind. A presidential candidate gains access to the Indiana presidential preference primary ballot by completing the following:

1. Submit a request for primary ballot placement (CAN-7) and a petition for primary ballot placement (CAN-8) in person or by mail to the Indiana Election Division no later than Noon, EST on February 7, 2024. CAN-8 forms for 2024 will be available later in 2023 and CAN-7 forms are estimated to be available December 2023 (IC 3-8-2-4; IC 3-8-3-1; IC 3-8-3-5). (Rule 1.A.7)

Indiana Election Division  
Indiana Government Center, South  
302 West Washington St. Room E204  
Indianapolis, IN 46204-2767 (317) 232-3940 (Rule 1.A.7)

2. The CAN-7 must be accompanied by a certified (CAN-8) petition of nomination signed by at least 500 registered voters from each of Indiana's nine (9) congressional districts. Each petition must include:
  - Signature of each petitioner, though a person with a disability who is unable to sign the document may have another individual sign the petition on their behalf if the voter assistance affidavit on the petition is signed;
  - The name of each petitioner legibly printed;
  - The residence address of each petitioner as set forth on the petitioner's voter registration record (IC 3-8-3-2);
  - The name, address, and other information set forth on the petition for the petition carrier (i.e. the individual circulating the petition) must also be completed. If any information is missing, the county voter registration official cannot process the petition but must reach out to the petition carrier to inform them the information is incomplete. If the required information is not perfected by the petition filing deadline for certification, then the petition is to be rejected. The petition must request the presidential candidate's name be placed on the ballot of the May 7, 2024, Primary Election (IC 3-8-3-3). ( Rule 15.D)
3. A candidate must submit a petition of nomination for certification to the county voter registration office of each voter that signed the petition not earlier than Wednesday, January 10, 2024, and not later than noon, local prevailing time,

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Tuesday, January 30, 2024 (IC 3- 8-3-4).

4. The CAN-7 and county certified CAN-8 petitions must be filed with the Indiana Election Division not earlier than January 10, 2024, and not later than Noon EST February 9, 2024. The CAN-7 and CAN-8 must be original documents; faxed, emailed or photocopied CAN-7 or CAN-8 will be rejected. No provision is provided under Indiana state law for primary voters to express an uncommitted preference on the ballot. *(Rule 11.C, Rule 14.A, Rule 14.C, Rule 14.D, Rule 14.E, & Rule 15.H)*

### **B. Other Requirements**

1. Each presidential candidate shall certify in writing to the State Democratic Party Chair, the name(s) of their authorized representative(s) by January 1, 2024. *(Rule 13.D.1)*
2. Each presidential candidate (including uncommitted status) shall use their best efforts to ensure that their respective delegation within the state delegation achieves the affirmative action, outreach and inclusion goals established by this Plan and is equally divided between men and women. *(Rule 6.I)*

## Section III Selection of Delegates and Alternates

### A. District-Level Delegates and Alternates

1. Indiana is allocated 44 district-level delegates. Indiana is allocated 6 alternate delegates. All 6 alternate delegates will be selected At-Large. (*Rule 8.C, Call I.B, I.I, & Appendix B*)
2. District-level delegates shall be elected by a Presidential preference primary followed by a post-primary caucus.

The May 7, 2024, Indiana Primary Election will determine the number of delegates allotted to a presidential candidate at all levels of the Indiana Democratic Party Delegate selection process, except for the Democratic National Committee Members, Members of Congress and Distinguished Party Leaders in their respective automatic categories.

3. Apportionment of District-Level Delegates and Alternates
  - a. Indiana's district-level delegates are apportioned among the districts based on a formula giving equal weight to the vote for the Democratic candidates in the 2016 and 2020 presidential elections. This method was chosen as it is an unbiased assessment of our democratic electorate. (*Rule 8.A, Reg. 4.12, Reg. 4.11 & Appendix A*)
  - b. The number of men and the number of women in the state's total number of district-level delegates will not vary by more than one. (*Rule 6.C.1 & Reg. 4.9*)
  - c. The district-level delegates are apportioned to districts as indicated in the following table, assuming no gender non-binary delegates:

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District	Delegates		
	Males	Females	Total
#1	3	3	6
#2	3	2	5
#3	2	2	4
#4	2	3	5
#5	3	2	5
#6	2	2	4
#7	3	3	6
#8	2	2	4
#9	2	3	5
Total	22	22	44

#### 4. District-Level Delegate and Alternate Filing Requirements

- a. A district-level delegate candidate may run for election only within the district in which they are registered to vote. (*Rule 13.H*)
- b. An individual can qualify as a candidate for district-level delegate to the 2024 Democratic National Convention by filing a statement of candidacy designating their singular presidential preference and a signed pledge of support for the presidential candidate with the Indiana Democratic Party, located at 115 W Washington St., Suite 1165 South, Indianapolis, Indiana, 46204. Filing will begin on April 19, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. EST at the Party Headquarters, 115 W Washington St., # 1110E, Indianapolis, Indiana, and will continue until 12:00 p.m. EST on May 20, 2024. All filing must be received during this time period and clearly indicate the category (District-Level, At-Large, and Party Leader and Elected Official) to which the person chooses to be elected. Individuals are not restricted from filing for more than one delegate category simultaneously. Filing forms for these positions will be available from County Chairs, District Chairs and the Indiana Democratic Party Headquarters prior to the filing period. Filing forms for these positions will also be made available on the Indiana Democratic Party website [INDems.org](http://INDems.org). All filing forms will be made available beginning April 19, 2024. Filing is encouraged to be completed in



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person. However, filing forms returned by mail to the Indiana Democratic Party should be sent by certified mail and received by the deadline. Filing for anyone other than yourself is prohibited. A delegate candidate may modify their singular presidential preference by submitting an updated pledge of support no later than the filing deadline. (*Rule 13.B, Rule 15.F & Reg. 4.22*)

5. Presidential Candidate Right of Review for District-Level Delegates and Alternates
  - a. The State Democratic Chair shall convey to the presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), not later than 5:00 PM EST on May 20, 2024, a list of all persons who have filed for delegate pledged to that presidential candidate. (*Rule 13.D & Rule 13.F*)
  - b. Each presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), must then file with the State Democratic Chair by 12:00 PM EST May 24, 2024, a list of all such candidates they have approved, provided that approval be given to at least three (3) separate individuals for each position for delegate to be selected. (*Rule 13.E.1, Reg. 4.23 & Reg. 4.24*)
  - c. Failure to respond will be deemed approval of all delegate and alternate candidates submitted to the presidential candidate unless the presidential candidate, or the authorized representative(s), signifies otherwise in writing to the State Democratic Chair not later than **12:00 PM EST May 24, 2024**.
  - d. National convention delegates candidates removed from the list of bona fide supporters by a presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), may not be elected as a delegate at that level pledged to that presidential candidate. (*Rule 13.E & Reg. 4.23*)
  - e. The State Democratic Chair shall certify in writing to the Co-Chairs of the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee whether each presidential candidate has used their best efforts to ensure that their respective district-level delegate candidates meet the affirmative action and outreach and inclusion considerations and goals detailed in the Affirmative Action section of this Plan within three (3) business days of returning the list of approved district-level delegate candidates as indicated in Section III.A.5.b of this Plan. (*Rule 6.I & Reg.4.10.C*)

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### 6. Fair Reflection of Presidential Preference

- a. Presidential Primary - Proportional Representation Plan (*Rule 14.A, Rule 14.B & Rule 14.D*)

The State presidential primary election is a “binding” primary. Accordingly, delegate positions shall be allocated so as to fairly reflect the expressed presidential (or uncommitted) preference of the primary voters in each district. The National Convention delegates selected at the district level shall be allocated in proportion to the percentage of the primary vote won in that district by each preference, except that preferences falling below a 15% threshold shall not be awarded any delegates or alternates.

- b. Within a district, if no presidential preference reaches a 15% threshold, the threshold shall be half the percentage of the vote received in that district by the front-runner. (*Rule 14.F*)

- c. Delegates to the Indiana Democratic State Convention, June 1st, 2024, will gather in District caucuses held at the JW Marriott in Indianapolis, Indiana. (Rooms and times to be announced at the convention). No person can participate in more than one delegate selection process. State delegates will declare their presidential preference at the Congressional district caucus meeting by signing a statement of support for a presidential candidate. The state convention delegates will be given the appropriate ballot for the selection of national delegates representing that presidential candidate from that specific district. All candidates for district-level delegate will be allowed to attend the congressional district caucuses.

To participate in the district caucuses and cast a ballot for national convention delegates, the participant must have been elected as a state convention delegate at the May 7, 2024, Primary, or appointed to fill a vacancy by the County Chair in the county in which the state delegate is registered to vote. Filing for state convention begins on January 10, 2024, in each county and closes at noon, EST on February 9, 2024. A person becomes a candidate for state convention delegate by completing the appropriate form with the clerk of the circuit court in the county of registration during this time period. Indiana state law requires a candidate to delegate to the Democratic State Convention to be a registered voter and have voted as a Democrat in the most recent primary election in which the candidate has participated. This provision does not disqualify candidates who have not previously voted in a primary election, but it attempts to ensure that state delegate candidates are Democrats by requiring those Democratic candidates with no democratic voting history to get written authorization from their county chair.

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According to the Indiana Democratic Party rules and guidelines established by Indiana state law, the delegates to the Indiana Democratic State Convention shall be chosen from each county and apportioned by a vote of the Indiana Democratic State Central Committee. The apportionment of delegates is from the following formula: the average of the Democratic vote for Governor in 2020 and the Democratic vote for Secretary of State in 2022 divided by 400. The State Party Chair must declare the number of delegates per county to the Election Division of the Secretary of State by noon on November 30, 2023 (*IC 3-8-4-3*). A county's delegation is further distributed between congressional districts when applicable for the purposes of congressional district caucuses.

The Indiana State Party Chair will provide a "Call to the State Convention" to the press and party officials thirty (30) days prior to the convention, to all circuit court clerks to be distributed to all candidates for state convention delegates and to persons elected as state convention delegates after their election on May 7, 2024. The Call will include a special section of the delegate selection process with the following:

1. Announcement of the 2024 Democratic National Convention
2. Number of delegates and alternates to be selected
3. Apportionment of delegates
4. Candidacy filing procedures
5. Presidential preference of delegates and alternates
6. Time and location of meetings
7. Results (official results of the district elections will be announced at the state convention)
8. Alternates and vacancies (all elected delegates to the State Convention who cannot attend the convention must notify in writing their intentions to be absent to the county chair from the county in which they reside. The county chair will then certify and authorize the elected alternates.)
9. Certification of state convention delegates
10. Tie Votes (All tie votes for National Convention Delegate shall be resolved by a coin toss). One hour following the adjournment of the 2024 Indiana Democratic State Convention on June 1, 2024, the 46 district-level delegates will meet at the JW Marriott, Indianapolis, Indiana. (Room to be posted and announced at the Convention) for the purpose of selecting the remainder of the delegation. (*Rule 14.C*)

### 7. Equal Division of District-Level Delegates and Alternates

- a. To ensure the district-level binary-gendered delegates are equally divided between men and women (determined by gender self-identification) the gender identity of the first binary delegate elected in each district will be

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designated. At the time of election of delegates in the district, the binary gender identity advantage will alternate as delegate positions are filled and the alternation shall continue across presidential preferences in order of vote-getting preference. In the case of non-binary gender delegates, they shall not be counted in either the male or female category, but do count towards the total delegate allotment. (*Rule 6.C., Rule 6.C.1 & Reg. 4.10*)

Indiana has forty-four (44) district-level delegates that will be filled by twenty-two (22) men and twenty-two (22) women, if no gender non-binary delegates are elected. Delegate positions will be designated by the gender identity of the first position to be filled by the winning presidential candidate. The remaining delegate positions will be filled alternated by gender identity to the presidential preference(s) the order of the vote won.

- b. After the delegates are selected, the alternates will be awarded, using the same process described above.
8. The State Democratic Chair shall certify in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee (DNC) the election of the state's district-level delegates and alternates to the Democratic National Convention within ten (10) days after their election. (*Rule 8.C & Call IV.A*)

### **B. Automatic Delegates**

1. Automatic Party Leaders and Elected Officials
  - a. The following categories (if applicable) shall constitute the Automatic Party Leaders and Elected Official delegate positions:
    - (1) Members of the Democratic National Committee who legally reside in the state; (*Rule 9.A.1, Call I.F, Call I.J, & Reg. 4.15*)
    - (2) Democratic President and Democratic Vice President (if applicable); (*Rule 9.A.2 & Call I.G*)
    - (3) All of State's Democratic Members of the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate; (*Rule 9.A.3, Call I.H & Call I.J*)
    - (4) The Democratic Governor (if applicable); (*Rule 9.A.4, Call I.H & Call I.J*)
    - (5) "Distinguished Party Leader" delegates who legally reside in the state (if applicable); (*Rule 9.A.5, Call I.G & Reg. 4.14*)
  - b. An Automatic delegate may run and be elected as a Pledged delegate. If an Automatic delegate is elected and certified as a Pledged delegate, that

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individual shall not serve as an Automatic delegate at the 2024 National Convention. *(Call I.J)*

- c. The certification process for the Automatic Party Leader and Elected Official delegates is as follows:
  - (1) Not later than March 6, 2024, the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee shall officially confirm to the State Democratic Chair the names of the Automatic delegates who legally reside in State. *(Rule 9.A)*
  - (2) Official confirmation by the Secretary shall constitute verification of the Automatic delegates from the categories indicated above. *(Call IV.B.1)*
  - (3) The State Democratic Chair shall certify in writing to the Secretary of the DNC the presidential preference of state's Automatic delegates 10 days after the completion of the State's Delegate Selection Process. *(Call IV.C)*
2. For purposes of achieving equal division between delegate men and delegate women and alternate men and alternate women within the state's entire convention delegation (determined by gender self-identification), the entire delegation includes all pledged and Automatic delegates, including those who identify as male or female. *(Rule 6.C and Reg. 4.9)*

### **C. Pledged Party Leader and Elected Official Delegates (PLEOs)**

1. Indiana is allotted 9 pledged Party Leader and Elected Official (PLEO) delegates. *(Call I.D, Call I.E & Appendix B)*
2. Pledged PLEO Delegate Filing Requirements
  - a. Individuals shall be eligible for the pledged Party Leader and Elected Official delegate positions according to the following priority: big city mayors and state-wide elected officials (to be given equal consideration); state legislative leaders, state legislators, and other state, county and local elected officials and party leaders. Automatic delegates who choose to run for PLEO delegate will be given equal consideration with big city mayors and state-wide elected officials. *(Rule 10.A.1 & Reg. 4.16)*
  - b. An individual can qualify as a candidate for a position as a pledged PLEO delegate by filing for a delegate position at the Indiana Democratic Party located at 115 W Washington St., Suite 1165 South, Indianapolis, Indiana, 46204. Filing will begin on April 19, 2024, at 9:00 AM EST at the Party Headquarters, 115 W Washington St., Suite 1165 South, Indianapolis, Indiana, and will continue until 12:00 p.m. EST on May 20, 2024. All filing must be

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received during this time period and clearly indicate the category (District-Level, At-Large, and Party Leader and Elected Official) to which the person chooses to be elected. Individuals are not restricted from filing for more than one delegate category simultaneously. Filing forms for these positions will be available from County Chairs, District Chairs and the Indiana Democratic Party Headquarters prior to the filing period. Filing forms for these positions will also be made available on the Indiana Democratic Party website INDems.org. All filing forms will be made available beginning April 19, 2024. Filing is encouraged to be completed in person. However, filing forms returned by mail to the Indiana Democratic Party should be sent by certified mail and received by the deadline. Filing for anyone other than yourself is prohibited. Candidates for pledged PLEO delegate must designate a singular presidential preference on the filing form. The presidential preference can be modified by submitting an updated pledge of support before the filing deadline. (*Rule 15.G, Reg.4.18 & Reg. 4.17*)

### 3. Presidential Candidate Right of Review

- a. The State Democratic Chair shall convey to the presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), no later than 5:00 PM EST June 1, 2024, a list of all persons who have filed for a party and elected official delegate pledged to that presidential candidate. (*Rule 13.D*)
- b. Each presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), must file with the State Democratic Chair, by a list of all such candidates they have approved, as long as approval is given to at least 1 name for every position to which the presidential candidate is entitled. (*Rule 13.E.2 & Reg. 4.24*)

After the election of the district-level delegates at the Indiana Democratic Party's State Convention at 11:00 AM EST on June 1, 2024, at the JW Marriott in downtown Indianapolis, the State Party staff will give the presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), a list of PLEO delegate candidates. The presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), have until 2:00 PM EST on June 1, 2024, to submit to the State Party the final approved list of PLEO delegate candidates. (*Rule 13.D.3, Rule 13.E.2 & Reg. 4.24*)

- c. Failure to respond will be deemed approval of all delegate candidates submitted to the presidential candidate unless the presidential candidate or the authorized representative(s) signifies otherwise in writing to the State Democratic Chair not later than June 1, 2024, 2:00 PM EST. (*Rule 13.D*)
- d. The State Democratic Chair shall certify in writing to the Co-Chairs of the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee whether each presidential candidate has used

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their best efforts to ensure that their respective pledged PLEO delegate

candidates meet the affirmative action and outreach and inclusion considerations and goals detailed in the Affirmative Action section of this Plan within three (3) business days of returning the list of approved pledged PLEO candidates as indicated in Section III.C.3.b of this Plan. (*Rule 6.I & Reg. 4.10.C*)

4. Selection of Pledged Party Leader and Elected Official Delegates
  - a. The pledged PLEO slots shall be allocated among presidential preferences on the same basis as the at-large delegates. (*Rule 10.A.2, Rule 11.C, Rule 14.E & Rule 14.F*)
  - b. Selection of the pledged PLEO delegates will occur at 6:00 PM on June 1, 2024, at the Indiana Convention Center, which is after the election of district level delegates, and prior to the selection of at-large delegates and alternates. (*Rule 10.A*)
  - c. These delegates will be selected by a committee consisting of a quorum of the district-level delegate (*Rule 10.B*)
5. The State Democratic Chair shall certify in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee the election of the state's pledged Party Leader and Elected Official delegates to the Democratic National Convention within ten (10) days after their election. (*Call IV.A & Reg. 5.4.A*)

### D. At-Large Delegates and Alternates

1. The state of Indiana is allotted 14 at-large delegates and 6 at-large alternates. (*Rule 8.C, Call I.B, II, Appendix B & Reg. 4.32*)
2. At-Large Delegate and Alternate Filing Requirements
  - a. Persons desiring to seek at-large delegate or alternate positions may file a statement of candidacy designating their singular presidential preference and a signed pledge of support for the presidential candidates with the Indiana Democratic Party, located at 115 W Washington St., Suite 1165 South, Indianapolis, Indiana, 46204. Filing will begin on April 19, 2024, at 9:00 AM EST at the Party Headquarters, 115 W Washington St., Suite 1165 South, Indianapolis, Indiana, and will continue until 12:00 PM EST on May 20, 2024.

All filing must be received during this time period and clearly indicate the category (District-Level, At-Large, and Party Leader and Elected Official) to which the person chooses to be elected. Individuals are not restricted from filing for more than one delegate category simultaneously. Filing forms for

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these positions will be available from County Chairs, District Chairs and the

Indiana Democratic Party Headquarters prior to the filing period. Filing forms for these positions will also be made available on the Indiana Democratic Party website INDems.org. All filing forms will be made available beginning April 19, 2024. Filing is encouraged to be completed in person. However, filing forms returned by mail to the Indiana Democratic Party should be sent by certified mail and received by the deadline. Filing for anyone other than yourself is prohibited. A delegate or alternate candidate may modify their singular presidential preference by submitting an updated pledge of support no later than the filing deadline.. (*Rule 13.A., Rule 13.B, Rule 15.G, Reg. 4.21, Reg. 4.22, & Reg. 4.29*)

- b. The statement of candidacy for at-large delegates and for at-large alternates will be the same. After the at-large delegates are elected by district-level delegates those persons not chosen will then be considered candidates for at-large alternate positions unless they specify otherwise when filing (*Rule 19.A*)
3. Presidential Candidate Right of Review
    - a. The State Democratic Chair shall convey to the presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), not later than 5:00 PM EST on May 20, 2024, a list of all persons who have filed for delegate or alternate pledged to that presidential candidate. (*Rule 13.D*) (*Reg. 4.23.D & Reg. 4.29.C*)
    - b. Each presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), must then file with the State Democratic Chair, by 11:00 AM EST on June 1, 2024, a list of all such candidates they have approved, provided that, at a minimum, the presidential candidate or that candidate's authorized representative(s) remain(s) for every national convention delegate or alternate position to which the presidential candidate is entitled. The presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), have until 2:00 PM EST on June 1, 2024, to submit to the State Party the final approved list for at-large delegate candidates. (*Rule 13.D.4, Rule 13.E.2 & Reg. 4.24*)
    - c. Failure to respond will be deemed approval of all delegate candidates submitted to the presidential candidate unless the presidential candidate or the authorized representative(s) signifies otherwise in writing to the State Democratic Chair no later than 2:00 PM EST on June 1, 2024.
    - d. The State Democratic Chair shall certify in writing to the Co-Chairs of the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee whether each presidential candidate has used their best efforts to ensure that their respective at-large delegate candidates and at-large alternate candidates meet the affirmative action and outreach and inclusion considerations and goals detailed in the Affirmative Action and



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Outreach and Inclusion section of this Plan within three (3) business days of returning the list of approved at-large delegate candidates and at-large alternate candidates as indicated in this Section.

4. Fair Reflection of Presidential Preference
  - a. At-large delegate and alternate positions shall be allocated among presidential preferences according to the state-wide primary vote. *(Rule 11.C)*
  - b. Preferences which have not attained a 15% threshold on a state-wide basis shall not be entitled to any at-large delegates. *(Rule 14.E)*
  - c. If no presidential preference reaches a 15% threshold, the threshold shall be half the percentage of the statewide vote received by the front-runner. *(Rule 14.F)*
  - d. If a presidential candidate otherwise entitled to an allocation is no longer a candidate at the time of selection of the at-large delegates, their allocation will be proportionally divided among the other preferences entitled to an allocation. *(Rule 11.C)*
  - e. If a given presidential preference is entitled to one (1) or more delegate positions but would not otherwise be entitled to an alternate position, that preference shall be allotted one (1) at-large alternate position. *(Rule 19.B, Call I.I & Reg. 4.31)*
  
5. Selection of At-Large Delegates and Alternates
  - a. The selection of the at-large delegates and alternates will occur at 6:00 PM EST on June 1, 2024, at the JW Marriott in Indianapolis, Indiana, which is after all pledged Party Leader and Elected Official delegates have been selected. *(Call III)*
  - b. These delegates and alternates will be selected by a committee consisting of a quorum of the district-level delegates. *(Rule 10.B and Rule 11.B)*
  - c. Priority of Consideration
    - (1) In the selection of the at-large delegation priority of consideration shall be given to African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders, and women, if such priority of consideration is needed to fulfill the affirmative action goals outlined in the state's Delegate Selection Plan. *(Rule 6.A.3)*

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- (2) To continue the Democratic Party's ongoing efforts to include groups historically under-represented in the Democratic Party's affairs and to assist in the achievement of full participation by these groups, priority of consideration shall be given other groups by virtue of race, sex, age, color, creed, national origin, religion, ethnic identify, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, economic status or disability. *(Rule 5.C, Rule 6.A.3, Rule 7 & Reg. 4.8)*
  - (3) The election of at-large delegates shall be used, if necessary, to achieve the equal division of positions between men and women as far as mathematically practicable, and may be used to achieve the representation goals established in the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program section of this Plan. The election of at-large alternates shall be used, if necessary, to achieve the equal division of positions between men and women as far as mathematically practicable, and may be used to achieve the representation goals established in the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program section of this Plan. *(Rule 6.A, Rule 6.C and Reg. 4.9)*
  - (4) Delegates and alternates are to be considered separate groups for this purpose. *(Rule 6.C.1, Rule 11.A, Reg. 4.9 & Reg. 4.19)*
6. The State Democratic Chair shall certify in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee the election of the state's at-large delegates and alternates to the Democratic National Convention within 10 days after their election. *(Rule 8.C & Call IV.A)*

### **E. Replacement of Delegates and Alternates**

1. A pledged delegate or alternate may be replaced according to the following guidelines:
  - a. Permanent Replacement of a Delegate: *(Rule 19.D.3)*
    - (1) A permanent replacement occurs when a delegate resigns or dies prior to or during the national convention and the alternate replaces the delegate for the remainder of the National Convention.
    - (2) Any alternate permanently replacing a delegate shall be of the same presidential preference (including uncommitted status) and gender identity of the delegate they replace, and to the extent possible shall be from the same political subdivision within the state as the delegate.
      - (a) In the case where the presidential candidate has only one (1) alternate, that alternate shall become the certified delegate.

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- (b) If a presidential candidate has only one (1) alternate, and that alternate permanently replaces a delegate of a different gender identity, thereby causing the delegation to no longer be equally divided, the delegation shall not be considered in violation of Rule 6.C. In such a case, notwithstanding Rule 19.D.2, the State Party Committee shall, at the time of a subsequent permanent replacement, replace a delegate with a person of a different gender identity, in order to return the delegation to equal division of men and women. *(Reg. 4.34)*
  - (3) If a delegate or alternate candidate who has been elected but not certified to the DNC Secretary resigns, dies, or is no longer eligible to serve, they shall be replaced, after consultation with the State Party, by the authorized representative of the presidential candidate to whom they are pledged. *(Rule 19.D.2)*
- b. Temporary Replacement of a Delegate: *(Rule 19.D.4)*
  - (1) A temporary replacement occurs when a delegate is to be absent for a limited period of time during the convention and an alternate temporarily acts in the delegate's place.
  - (2) Any alternate who temporarily replaces a delegate must be of the same presidential preference (including uncommitted status) as the delegate they replace, and to the extent possible shall be of the same gender and from the same political subdivision within the state as the delegate.
- c. The following system will be used to select permanent and temporary replacements of delegates: The alternate who receives the highest number of votes becomes the delegate. *(Rule 19.D.1)*
- d. Certification of Replacements
  - (1) Any alternate who permanently replaces a delegate shall be certified in writing to the Secretary of the DNC by the State Democratic Chair. *(Rule 19.D.3)*
  - (2) Permanent replacement of a delegate (as specified above) by an alternate and replacement of a vacant alternate position shall be certified in writing by the State's Democratic Chair to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after the replacement is selected. *(Call IV.D.1)*

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- (3) Certification of permanent replacements will be accepted by the Secretary up to 72 hours before the first official session of the Convention is scheduled to convene. *(Call IV.D.1 & Reg. 4.33)*
  - (4) In the case where a pledged delegate is permanently replaced after 72 hours before the time the first session is scheduled to convene or, in the case where a pledged delegate is not on the floor of the Convention Hall at the time a roll call vote is taken, an alternate may be designated (as specified above) to cast the delegate's vote. In such a case, the Delegation Chair shall indicate the name of the alternate casting the respective delegate's vote on the delegation tally sheet. *(Call IX.F.3.e, Call IX.F.3.c & Reg. 5.6)*
- e. A vacant alternate position shall be filled by the delegation. The replacement shall be of the same presidential preference (or uncommitted status), of the same gender identity and, to the extent possible, from the same political subdivision as the alternate being replaced. *(Rule 19.E)*
2. Automatic delegates shall not be entitled to a replacement, nor shall the state be entitled to a replacement, except under the following circumstances: *(Call IV.D.2 & Reg. 4.35)*
  - a. Members of Congress and the Democratic Governor shall not be entitled to name a replacement. In the event of changes or vacancies in the state's Congressional Delegation, following the official confirmation and prior to the commencement of the National Convention, the DNC Secretary shall recognize only such changes as have been officially recognized by the Democratic Caucus of the U.S. House of Representatives or the Democratic Conference of the U.S. Senate. In the event of a change or vacancy in the state's office of Governor, the DNC shall recognize only such changes as have been officially recognized by the Democratic Governors' Association. *(Call IV.D.2.a)*
  - b. Members of the Democratic National Committee shall not be entitled to a replacement, nor shall the state be entitled to a replacement, except in the case of death of such delegates. In the case where the state's DNC membership changes following the DNC Secretary's official confirmation, but prior to the commencement of the 2024 Democratic National Convention, acknowledgment by the Secretary of the new DNC member certification shall constitute verification of the corresponding change of Automatic delegates. *(Call, IV.D.2.b)*
  - c. Automatic distinguished Party Leader delegates allocated to the state pursuant to Rule 9.A.(5), shall not be entitled to name a replacement, nor shall the state be entitled to name a replacement. *(Call IV.D.2.c)*

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- d. In no case may an alternate cast a vote for an Automatic delegate. (*Call IX.F.3.e*)

## Section IV Selection of Convention Standing Committee Members

### A. Introduction

1. Indiana has been allocated 3 member(s) on each of the three (3) standing committees for the 2024 Democratic National Convention (Credentials, Platform and Rules), for a total of 9 members. *(Call VII.A & Appendix D)*
2. Members of the Convention Standing Committees need not be delegates or alternates to the 2024 Democratic National Convention. *(Call VII.A.3)*
3. These members will be selected in accordance with the procedures indicated below. *(Rule 1.G)*

### B. Temporary Standing Committee Members

1. Temporary members for the Platform Convention Standing Committees will be selected by the State Central Committee at a meeting to be held in March or April 2024 (date and time TBA). The meeting shall be open to the public and well publicized in accordance with this Plan. Members of the State Central Committee shall receive timely notice of the meeting, in accordance with State Party rules. *(Call VII.G.2)*
2. Any Democrat may apply for a position as a temporary member of the standing committee. Persons wishing to be considered must submit an application to the Indiana Democratic Party at 115 W Washington St., Suite 1110E, Indianapolis, Indiana, 46204 or via email at [mike@indems.org](mailto:mike@indems.org) with their name, address, phone number, and email no later than 5 PM EST March 1, 2024. Applications received after the filing deadline will not be accepted, regardless of the postmarked date.
3. The male and female membership of the standing committee shall be as equally divided among men and women (determined by self-identification) as possible under the state allocation; i.e. the variance between men and women on the committee. *(Call VII.E.2)* In the case of gender non-binary committee members, they shall not be counted as either a male or female, and the remainder of the standing committee members shall be equally divided between male gender (men) and female gender (women). *(Call VII.E.1)*
4. Temporary members serve only in the event that the respective standing committee is called to meet prior to completion of the state's delegate selection process and

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subsequent selection of permanent standing committee members. No temporary member may continue to serve after the selection of the permanent standing committee members unless they are elected as a permanent member. *(Call VII.G.3)*

5. Temporary members selected after the first determining step has occurred in a state shall reflect the Presidential preferences so established. *(Call VII.G.3)*
6. The State Chair shall certify the temporary standing committee members in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after their selection. Substitutions in a state's list of temporary members may only be made up to ten (10) days prior to the time the standing committee meets. Substitute temporary standing committee members will be selected at a meeting of the State Central Committee in accordance with the provisions outlined above. *(Call VII.B.3 and Call VII.G.4)*

### C. Standing Committee Members

1. Selection Meeting
  - a. The members of the standing committees shall be elected by a quorum of Indiana's National Convention delegates, at a meeting to be held on June 1, 2024. *(Call VII.B.1)*
  - b. All members of the delegation shall receive adequate notice of the time, date and place of the meeting to select the standing committee members. *(Call VII.B.1)*
2. Allocation of Members
  - a. The members of the standing committees allocated to Indiana shall proportionately represent the presidential preference of all candidates (including uncommitted status) receiving the threshold percentage used in the state's delegation to calculate the at-large apportionment pursuant to Rule 14.E. of the Delegate Selection Rules. *(Call VII.C.1 & Reg. 5.9)*
  - b. The presidential preference of each candidate receiving the applicable percentage or more within the delegation shall be multiplied by the total number of standing committee positions allocated to Indiana. If the result of such multiplication does not equal 0.455 or above, the presidential preference in question is not entitled to representation on the standing committee. If the result of such multiplication is 0.455 but less than 1.455, the presidential preference is entitled to one (1) position. Those preferences securing more than 1.455 but less than 2.455 are entitled to two (2) positions, etc. *(Call VII.C.2)*

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- c. Where the application of this formula results in the total allocation exceeding the total number of committee positions, the presidential candidate whose original figure of representation is farthest from its eventual rounded-off total shall be denied that one (1) additional position. Where the application of this formula results in the total allocation falling short of the total number of committee positions, the presidential candidate whose original figure of representation is closest to the next rounding level shall be allotted an additional committee position. *(Call VII.C.3)*
    - d. Standing committee positions allocated to a presidential candidate shall be proportionately allocated, to the extent practicable, to each of the three (3) standing committees. When such allocation results in an unequal distribution of standing committee positions by candidate preference, a drawing shall be conducted to distribute the additional positions. *(Call VII.C.4)*
  3. Presidential Candidate Right of Review
    - a. Each presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), shall be given adequate notice of the date, time and location of the meeting of the state's delegation authorized to elect standing committee members. *(Call VII.D.1)*
    - b. Each presidential candidate, or that candidate's authorized representative(s), must submit to the State Democratic Chair, by 2:00 PM EST on June 1, 2024, a minimum of (1) name for each slot awarded to that candidate for members of each committee. The delegation shall select the standing committee members from among names submitted by the presidential candidates (including uncommitted status). Presidential candidates shall not be required to submit the name of more than one (1) person for each slot awarded to such candidate for members of standing committees. *(Call VII.D.2)*
  4. Selection Procedure to Achieve Equal Division
    - a. Presidential candidates (including uncommitted status) shall use their best efforts to ensure that their respective delegation of standing committee members shall achieve Indiana's affirmative action, outreach and inclusion goals and that their respective male and female members are equally divided between the men and women determined by gender self-identification. *(Rule 6.1 & Reg. 4.10)*
    - b. The first binary gender position on each standing committee shall be assigned by binary gender as self-identified. For example, the first binary position on the Credentials Committee of the presidential candidate with the most standing committee positions shall be designated for a male, and the next binary



position, if one occurs, will be designated for a female, and the remaining binary positions, to the extent they occur, shall be designated in like fashion, alternating between males and females, where applicable. For avoidance of doubt: there is no requirement that positions be assigned to gender non-binaries but the described alternation of binary gender identities may not be used to exclude a gender non-binary from consideration for a committee position. Positions for presidential candidates on each committee shall be ranked according to the total number of standing positions allocated to each such candidate. After positions on the Credentials Committee are designated by gender identity, the designation shall continue with the Platform Committee, then the Rules Committee.

- (1) A separate election shall be conducted for membership on each standing committee.
- (2) The male and female membership of the standing committees shall be as equally divided among the men and women as possible under the state allocation; the variance between men and women in any committee and among the three committees in aggregate shall not exceed one. *(Call VII.E.2)*
- (3) Gender non-binary committee members shall not be counted as either a male or female, and the remainder of the delegation shall be equally divided between male gender (men) and female gender (women). *(Call VII.E.1)*
- (4) The positions allocated to each presidential candidate on each committee shall be voted on separately, and the winners shall be the highest vote-getter(s) of the appropriate gender identity.

### 5. Certification and Substitution

- a. The State Democratic Chair shall certify the standing committee members in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after their selection. *(Call VII.B.3)*
- b. No substitutions will be permitted in the case of standing committee members, except in the case of resignation or death. Substitutions must be made in accordance with the rules and the election procedures specified in this section, and must be certified in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after the substitute member is selected but not later than 48 hours before the respective standing committee meets, except in the case of death. *(Call VII.B.4)*

## Section V Delegation Chair and Convention Pages

### A. Introduction

Indiana will select one (1) person to serve as Delegation Chair and four (4) to serve as Convention Pages. *(Call IV.E, Call IV.F.1 & Appendix C)*

### B. Delegation Chair

1. Selection Meeting
  - a. The Delegation Chair shall be selected by a quorum of the Indiana's National Convention Delegates, at a meeting to be held on June 1, 2024, at 6:00 PM EST at the JW Marriott in Indianapolis. *(Call IV.E & Call VII.B.1)*
  - b. All members of the delegation shall receive timely notice of the time, date and place of the meeting to select the Delegation Chair. *(Rule 3.C)*
2. The State Democratic Chair shall certify the Delegation Chair in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after their selection. *(Call IV.E)*

### C. Convention Pages

1. Four (4) individuals will be selected to serve as State's Convention Pages by the State Democratic Chair in consultation with the members of the Democratic National Committee from the state. This selection will take place on June 1, 2024, at 6 PM EST at the JW Marriott in Indianapolis, Indiana. *(Call IV.F.3, Appendix C & Reg. 5.7)*
2. The Convention Pages shall be as evenly divided between men and women (determined by self-identification) as possible under the state allocation and shall reflect as much as possible, the Affirmative Action and Outreach and Inclusion guidelines in the state plan. In the case of gender non-binary pages, they shall not be counted as either a male or female, and the remainder of the pages shall be equally divided. *(Reg. 5.7.A)*
3. The State Democratic Chair shall certify the individuals to serve as State's Convention Pages in writing to the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee within three (3) days after the selection. *(Call IV.F.3 & Reg. 5.7.B)*

## Section VI Presidential Electors

### A. Introduction

Indiana will select 11 persons to serve as Presidential Electors for the 2024 Presidential election (IC-3-10-2-3).

### B. Selection of Presidential Electors

The Presidential Electors and Alternate Presidential Electors shall be selected by delegates to the Indiana Democratic State Convention on June 1, 2024, at the JW Marriott in Indianapolis, Indiana. Each congressional district shall elect one (1) person to serve as Presidential Elector and one (1) person to serve as Alternate Presidential Elector for their district. Convention delegates will also vote on two (2) at-large Presidential Electors as well as two (2) at-large Alternate Presidential Electors. An individual can qualify as a candidate for Presidential Elector or Alternate Presidential Elector for Indiana by filing a statement of candidacy with the Indiana Democratic Party, located at 115 W Washington St., Suite 1110E, Indianapolis, Indiana, 46204. Filing will begin on April 19, 2024, at 9:00 AM EST at the Party Headquarters at 115 W Washington St., Suite 1110E, Indianapolis, Indiana, 46204 and will continue until 12:00 PM EST on May 20, 2024. Filing is encouraged to be completed in-person. However, filing forms returned by mail to the Indiana Democratic Party should be sent by certified mail and received by the deadline. Filing for anyone other than yourself is prohibited. All candidates for Presidential Elector or Alternate Presidential Elector must meet the membership criteria within the rules of the Indiana Democratic Party.

### C. Affirmation

1. Each candidate for Presidential Elector shall certify in writing that they will vote for the election of the Democratic Presidential and Vice Presidential nominees. (*Call VIII*)
2. In the selection of the Presidential Electors, the State Party will take the following steps to ensure the persons selected are bona fide Democrats who are faithful to the interests, welfare, and success of the Democratic Party of the United States, who subscribe to the substance, intent and principles of the Charter and the Bylaws of the Democratic Party of the United States: State Party staff will verify the qualifications of each applying Presidential Elector Candidate. Indiana statute does not require electors to vote for a certain nominee.

## Section VII

### General Provisions and Procedural Guarantees

- A. The Indiana Democratic Party reaffirms its commitment to an open party by incorporating the “six basic elements” as listed below. As our Party strives to progress in the fight against discrimination of all kinds, these six basic elements have evolved and grown along with the constant push for more inclusion and empowerment. These provisions demonstrate the intention of the Democratic Party to ensure a full opportunity for all minority group members to participate in the delegate selection process. (*Rule 4.A, Rule 4.B & Rule 4.C*)
1. All public meetings at all levels of the Democratic Party in Indiana should be open to all members of the Democratic Party regardless of race, sex, age, color, creed, national origin, religion, ethnic identity, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, economic status or disability (hereinafter collectively referred to as “status”). (*Rule 4.B.1*)
  2. No test for membership in, nor any oaths of loyalty to, the Democratic Party in Indiana should be required or used which has the effect of requiring prospective or current members of the Democratic Party to acquiesce in, condone or support discrimination based on “status.” (*Rule 4.B.2*)
  3. The time and place for all public meetings of the Democratic Party in Indiana on all levels should be publicized fully and, in such manner, as to assure timely notice to all interested persons. Such meetings must be held in places accessible to all Party members and large enough to accommodate all interested persons. (*Rule 4.B.3*)
  4. The Democratic Party in Indiana, on all levels, should support the broadest possible registration without discrimination based on “status.” (*Rule 4.B.4*)
  5. The Democratic Party in Indiana should publicize fully and in such a manner as to assure notice to all interested parties a full description of the legal and practical procedures for selection of Democratic Party officers and representatives on all levels. Publication of these procedures should be done in such fashion that all prospective and current members of the State Democratic Party will be fully and adequately informed of the pertinent procedures in time to participate in each selection procedure at all levels of the Democratic Party organization. As part of this, the State Democratic Party should develop a strategy to provide education programs directly to voters who continue to experience confusing timelines for registration, changing party affiliation deadlines, or lack of awareness of the process for running for delegate, to ensure all Democratic voters understand the rules and timelines and their impact on voter participation. (*Rule 4.B.5*)

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6. The Democratic Party in Indiana should publicize fully and in such a manner as to assure notice to all interested parties, a complete description of the legal and practical qualifications of all positions as officers and representatives of the State Democratic Party. Such publication should be done in timely fashion so that all prospective candidates or applicants for any elected or appointed position within each State Democratic Party will have full and adequate opportunity to compete for office. *(Rule 4.B.6)*
  
- B. Discrimination on the basis of “status” in the conduct of Democratic Party affairs is prohibited. *(Rule 5.B)*
  
- C. Indiana’s delegation shall be equally divided between delegate men and delegate women, and alternate men and alternate women, i.e. the number of men and women shall not vary by more than one. Such goal applies to the entire delegation, which includes all pledged delegates and alternates and all automatic delegates. Delegates and alternates shall be considered separate groups for purposes of achieving equal division as determined by gender self-identification. In the case of gender non-binary delegates or alternates, they shall not be counted as either a male or female, and the remainder of the delegation shall be equally divided by gender identity. *(Rule 6.C)*
  
- D. All delegate and alternate candidates must be identified as to presidential preference or uncommitted status at all levels which determine presidential preference. *(Rule 13.A)*
  
- E. No delegate at any level of the delegate selection process shall be mandated by law or Party rules to vote contrary to that person’s presidential choice as expressed at the time the delegate is elected. *(Rule 13.I)*
  
- F. Delegates elected to the national convention pledged to a presidential candidate shall in all good conscience reflect the sentiments of those who elected them. *(Rule 13.J)*
  
- G. Each delegate, alternate and standing committee member must be a bona fide Democrat, who is faithful to the interests, welfare and success of the Democratic Party of the United States, who subscribes to the substance, intent and principles of the Charter and Bylaws of the Democratic Party of the United States, and who will participate in the Convention in good faith. *(Rule 13.H, Call VII.A.4 & Reg. 4.25)*
  
- H. 40% of the members of any Party body above the first level of the delegate selection process shall constitute a quorum for any business pertaining to the selection of National Convention delegates, alternates, standing committee members, and other official Convention participants. *(Rule 16)*
  
- I. An accredited participant in a caucus, convention or committee meeting, after having established credentials, may register a non-transferable proxy with (i.e., deliver a signed proxy to) another duly accredited participant at that meeting (except where an accredited

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alternate is present and eligible to serve as a replacement), provided that no individual may hold more than one (1) proxy at a time. *(Rule 17 & Reg. 4.30)*

- J. The unit rule, or any rule or practice whereby all members of a Party unit or delegation may be required to cast their votes in accordance with the will of a majority of the body, shall not be used at any stage of the delegate selection process. *(Rule 18.A)*
- K. Any individual or group of Democrats may sponsor or endorse a slate of candidates for convention delegates. But no slate may, by virtue of such endorsement, receive a preferential place on a delegate selection ballot or be publicly identified on the ballot as the official Democratic Party organization slate, and all slates must meet identical qualifying requirements for appearing on a ballot at all levels of the delegate selection process. *(Rule 18.B)*
- L. All steps in the delegate selection process, except the filing of presidential candidates as allowed by rule 15.D, must take place within the calendar year of the Democratic National Convention, except with respect to the implementation of the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Programs or as otherwise allowed. *(Rule 1.F & Rule 12.B)*
- M. In electing and certifying delegates and alternates to the 2024 Democratic National Convention, the State Democratic Party hereby undertakes to assure all Democratic voters in Indiana, a full, timely and equal opportunity to participate in the delegate selection process and in all Party affairs and to implement affirmative action and outreach and inclusion plans toward that end; that the delegates and alternates to the Convention shall be selected in accordance with the Delegate Selection Rules for the 2024 Democratic National Convention; and that the delegates certified will not publicly support or campaign for any candidate for President or Vice President other than the nominees of the Democratic National Convention. *(Call II.B)*

## Section VIII

### Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program

#### A. Statement of Purpose and Organization

1. Purpose and Objectives
  - a. To make sure that the Democratic Party at all levels be an open Party which includes rather than excludes people from participation, a program of effective affirmative action is hereby adopted by Indiana. *(Rule 5.A)*
  - b. Discrimination on the basis of “status” in the conduct of Democratic Party affairs is prohibited. *(Rule 5.B)*
  - c. All public meetings at all levels of the Democratic Party in Indiana should be open to all members of the Democratic Party regardless of race, sex, age, color, creed, national origin, religion, ethnic identity, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, economic status or disability (hereinafter collectively referred to as “status”). *(Rule 4.B.1)*
  - d. Consistent with the Democratic Party’s commitment to including groups historically under-represented in the Democratic Party’s affairs, by virtue of race, sex, age, color, creed, national origin, religion, ethnic identity, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, or disability Indiana has established goals for these groups. *(Rule 5.C & Reg. 4.8)*
  - e. To encourage full participation by all Democrats in the delegate selection process and in all Party affairs, the State Democratic Party has adopted and will implement programs with specific goals and timetables for African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and women. To further encourage full participation in the process, the State Party has established goals and timetables for other underrepresented groups, including the LGBTQ+ community, people with disabilities, and youth. *(Rule 6.A & Rule 7)*
    - (1) The goal of the programs shall be to encourage participation in the delegate selection process and in Party organizations at all levels by the aforementioned groups as indicated by their presence in the Democratic electorate. *(Rule 6.A.1)*
    - (2) For the delegate selection process, “Youth” is defined as any participant younger than 36 years old at the time of election. *(Reg. 5.3.A)*

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- (3) For the delegate selection process, individuals identifying as Native Americans should provide their tribal affiliation and indicate if they are enrolled in a tribe. *(Reg. 5.3.B)*
- (4) These goals shall not be accomplished either directly or indirectly by the Party's imposition of mandatory quotas at any level of the delegate selection process or in any other Party affairs. *(Rule 6.A.2)*

### 2. Organizational Structure

- a. An Affirmative Action Committee shall be appointed by the State Democratic Chair on March 1, 2023. The Chair may appoint a new committee or use a previously organized body appointed by the State Democratic Chair. *(Rule 6.F)*
- b. The State Democratic Chair shall certify in writing to the Rules and Bylaws Committee of the Democratic National Committee the compliance of the State's Affirmative Action Committee with Rules 5.C, 6.A and 7, and submit the names, demographic data and contact information of the members no later than 15 days after their appointment. *(Reg. 2.2.J)*
- c. The Committee shall consist of members who are regionally diverse and represent the Democratic constituency groups set forth in the Introduction to the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program.
- d. The Affirmative Action Committee shall be responsible for:
  - (1) Helping develop and design the proposed Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program and making recommendations to the State Democratic Chair. *(Rule 6.F)*
  - (2) Directing the implementation of all requirements of the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program section of this Plan.
  - (3) Implementing a specific outreach and financial assistance program for persons of low and moderate income to encourage their participation and representation in the national convention delegation. *(Rule 6.G)*
  - (4) Ensuring, on behalf of the State Party Committee, that district lines used in the delegate selection process are not gerrymandered to discriminate against African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and women. *(Rule 6.E)*
- e. Financial and staff support for the Affirmative Action Committee shall be provided by the State Party Committee to the greatest extent feasible,



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including, but not limited to, making the State Party staff and volunteers available on a priority basis and covering all reasonable costs incurred in carrying out this Plan.

3. Implementation of the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program shall begin on September 1st, 2023, with the distribution of the press kits, and will continue through the end of the delegate selection process. *(Rule 1.F)*

### **B. Representation Goals**

1. In cooperation with the National Committee, the State Party has determined the demographic composition of African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, and Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in the state’s Democratic electorate. These constituency percentages shall be established as goals for representation in the state’s convention delegation. *(Rule 6.A)*
2. In cooperation with the National Committee, the State Party has determined the demographic composition of members of the LGBTQ+ community, people with disabilities, and youth in the state’s Democratic electorate. The State Party has chosen to establish these percentages as goals for representation in the state’s convention delegation. *(Rule 7 & Reg. 4.8.C.iii)*
3. The State Party has used the estimates provided by the DNC that relied primarily on the US Census Bureau’s most recent American Community Survey datasets and the 2022 DNC partisanship model.

	African Americans	Hispanics	Native Americans	Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders	LGBTQ+ Americans	People with Disabilities	Youth
Percent in Democratic Electorate	17%	8%	1%	2%	8%	16%	34%
Numeric Goals for Delegates	13	6	1	2	6	12	25

4. When selecting the at-large portion of the delegation, the demographic composition of the other delegates (district-level, pledged PLEO, and Automatic) shall be compared with the State Party’s representation goals to achieve an at-large selection process that helps to bring about a representative balance. *(Rule 11.A)*
5. Although the selection of the at-large delegation may be used to fulfill the affirmative action goals established by this Plan, the State Party will conduct outreach and inclusion activities such as recruitment, education and training at all levels of the delegate selection process. *(Rule 6.A.3)*

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### C. Efforts to Educate on the Delegate Selection Process

1. Well-publicized educational workshops will be conducted in each of the delegate districts beginning in September 2023. These workshops will be designed to encourage participation in the delegate selection process, including apprising potential delegate and alternate candidates of the availability of financial assistance. These workshops will be held in places that are easily accessible to persons with disabilities. The times, dates, places and rules for the conduct of all education workshops, meetings and other events involved in the delegate selection process shall be effectively publicized by the party organization and include mailings to various organizations representative of the Democratic voting electorate. *(Rule 3.A, Rule 3.C & Rule 3.D)*
2. A speakers bureau of volunteers from the State Party, including the Affirmative Action Committee, shall be composed of individuals who are fully familiar with the process and will be available to appear before groups, as needed, to provide information concerning the process.
3. The State Party's education efforts will include outreach to community leaders within the Democratic Party's constituencies and ensuring that information about the delegate selection process is available to Democratic clubs and Party caucuses representing specific constituencies.
4. The State Party will publish, and make available at no cost, a clear and concise explanation of how Democratic voters can participate in the delegate selection process. As well, the State Party shall also make available copies of the State Party Rules, the Delegate Selection Plan (and its attachments), the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program, and relevant state statutes at no cost. Copies of documents related to the state's delegate selection process will be prepared and the State Party and Affirmative Action Committee will distribute them in the various delegate districts not later than January 1, 2024. *(Rule 1.H)*
5. Participation in the delegate selection process shall be open to all voters who wish to participate as Democrats. Democratic voters shall be those persons who publicly declare their Party preference and have that preference publicly recorded. *(Rule 2.A)*
6. The State Party shall take all feasible steps to encourage non-affiliated voters and new voters to register or enroll, to provide simple procedures through which they may do so and to eliminate excessively long waiting periods for voters who wish to register or to change their party enrollment status. *(Rule 2.C)*
7. The Affirmative Action Committee will develop a State Party strategy to be implemented beginning September 1, 2023 that will provide education programs directly to voters who continue to experience confusing timelines for voter registration and deadlines for changing party affiliation, or who are unaware of the

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process for running for delegate, so that all Democratic voters understand the rules and timelines and their impact on voter participation. *(Rule 4.B.5)*

### **D. Efforts to Publicize the Delegate Selection Process**

1. The State Party shall direct special attention to publicizing the delegate selection process in the state. Such publicity shall include information on eligibility to vote and how to become a candidate for delegate, the time and location of each stage of the delegate selection process, and where to get additional information. The foregoing information will also be published in the State Party communications and on the State Party's website. The Party organization, official, candidate, or member calling a meeting or scheduling an event, shall effectively publicize the role that such meeting or event plays in the selection of delegates and alternates to the Democratic National Convention. *(Rule 3.C & Rule 3.D)*
2. The State Party shall have a Delegate Selection Media Plan for using all available and appropriate resources, such as social media, websites, newspapers, radio and television, to inform the general public how, when and where to participate in the delegate selection process. Specifically, the Delegate Selection Media Plan will provide details as to how to qualify to run as a delegate candidate. Regular updates should be posted/released throughout the state's delegate selection process to ensure broad and timely coverage and awareness about the process to all interested persons. *(Rule 4.B.3 & Rule 6.D)*
3. A priority effort, as described in the Delegate Selection Media Plan, shall be directed at publicity among the Democratic Party's constituencies.
  - a. Information about the delegate selection process will be posted on and made available to social and specialty media directed toward the Democratic constituency groups set forth in the introduction of this Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program.
  - b. The State Party shall be responsible for the implementation of this publicity effort. For purposes of providing adequate notice of the delegate selection process, the times, dates, places and rules for the conduct of the delegate selection process, workshops, and webinars shall be effectively publicized to encourage the participation of minority groups. Parties will make a good faith effort to publicize this information in an accessible manner and multilingually where necessary. *(Rule 6.D)*
4. Not later than September 1, 2023, the State Party will make information about the delegate selection process available on its website and publicize the resource through press releases and communications to Party leaders, activists and targeted constituencies. Information to be posted on the website will include:

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- a. Materials designed to encourage participation and inform prospective delegate candidates;
- b. A summary explaining the role of the 2024 Convention in nominating the Party's Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates and adopting the National Platform;
- c. A summary of the State Party's delegate selection process including all pertinent rules, dates, and filing requirements related to the process;
- d. A map of delegate districts and how many delegates will be elected within each district, along with filing forms or information on how to obtain the filing forms.

### **E. Obligations of Presidential Candidates to Maximize Participation**

1. Presidential candidates shall assist the State Democratic Party in meeting the demographic representation goals reflected in the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program. *(Rule 6.H)*
2. Each presidential candidate must submit a written statement to the State Democratic Chair by October 1, 2023 which indicates the specific steps they will take to encourage full participation by their supporters in Indiana's delegate selection process, including, but not limited to, procedures by which persons may file as candidates for delegate or alternate pledged to the presidential candidate. *(Rule 6.H.1)*
3. Each presidential candidate must submit demographic information with respect to all candidates for delegate and alternate pledged to them. Such information shall be submitted in conjunction with the list of names approved for consideration as delegate and alternate candidates pledged to the presidential candidate. *(Rule 6.H.2)*
4. Presidential candidates shall use their best effort to ensure that their respective delegates, alternates and standing committee members shall achieve the affirmative action goals reflected in the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program and that the number of men and the number of women in their respective delegations shall not differ by more than one (as determined by gender self-identification). Furthermore, presidential candidates shall use their best efforts at the district level to approve delegate, alternate, and standing committee candidates who meet applicable equal division and affirmative action considerations to promote and achieve the state's affirmative action, outreach and inclusion goals and equal division for their respective delegations. *(Rule 6.C., Rule 6.I & Reg. 4.10)*

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### F. Outreach and Inclusion Program

1. The State Democratic Party is committed to help achieve full participation of those groups of Americans who have historically been explicitly denied the right to vote or who have been subjected to discriminatory and exclusionary practices that have denied them voting rights and full participation in the delegate selection process and other Party meetings, events and elections, along with other groups of Americans who are also underrepresented in Party affairs.
2. As such, the State Democratic Party has developed outreach and inclusion programs and is committed to fully implementing the programs so that all persons who wish to participate as Democrats understand they are welcome and encouraged to be a part of the delegate selection process and in the Party at the local, state and national levels.
3. The State Party will make accommodations to facilitate greater participation by people with disabilities.

The State party will also ensure assistance for those with partial or full visual impairments, including but not limited to: having a designated guide available to navigate facilities, ensuring there is reserved seating, and enabling captions for visual and speaking presentations, as needed.

4. In addition to the education, publicity and other steps described above, the State Party will implement and monitor the state outreach plan. The state outreach plan consists of supporting the local county parties with implementation by:
  - drafting an outreach toolkit for county parties to leverage,
  - reviewing delegate training materials for consistency and completeness,
  - providing marketing and communications support for local events,
  - engaging with the other non-political organizations directly related to the underrepresented populations,
  - identifying local events and partnerships to collaborate, and
  - hosting monthly meetings between county parties, AAC committee and/or party leadership.

## Section IX Challenges

### A. Jurisdiction & Standing

1. Challenges related to the delegate selection process are governed by the *Regulations of the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee for the 2024 Democratic National Convention (Reg. Sec. 3)*, and the “Rules of Procedure of the Credentials Committee of the 2024 Democratic National Convention.” (*Call Appendix A*)
2. Under Rule 21.B. of the *2024 Delegate Selection Rules*, the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee has jurisdiction over challenges pertaining to the submission, non-implementation and violation of State Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program. (*Rule 21.B & Call Appendix A*)
3. The Rules and Bylaws Committee has jurisdiction to hear and decide any challenge provided it is initiated before the 56th day preceding the date of the commencement of the 2024 Democratic National Convention. (*Call Appendix A & Reg. 3.1*)
4. Challenges to the credentials of delegates and alternates to the 2024 Democratic National Convention initiated on or after the 56th day preceding the date of commencement of the Democratic National Convention shall be processed in accordance with the “Rules of Procedure of the Credentials Committee of the 2024 Democratic National Convention.” (*Call Appendix A*)
5. Any challenge to the credentials of a standing committee member shall be considered and resolved by the affected standing committee in accordance with Appendix A of the *Call for the 2024 Democratic National Convention*. The Rules and Bylaws Committee shall have jurisdiction over challenges brought before the 56th day preceding the date of the commencement of the Democratic National Convention. (*Call VII.B.5*)
6. Copies of the Regulations of the Rules and Bylaws Committee and/or the Call for the 2024 Democratic National Convention, including the Rules of Procedure of the Credentials Committee (*Appendix A*), shall be made available by the State Party upon reasonable request.
7. Any group of 15 Democrats with standing to challenge as defined in Reg. 3.2 or the Call (*Appendix A, Sec. 2.A*), may bring a challenge to this Plan or to the implementation of this Plan, including its Affirmative Action provisions.

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### **B. Challenges to the Status of the State Party and Challenges to the Plan**

1. A challenge to the status of the State Party Committee as the body entitled to sponsor a delegation from that State shall be filed with the Rules and Bylaws Committee not later than 30 calendar days prior to the initiation of the state's delegate selection process. (*Rule 21.A & Reg. 3.4.A*)
2. A challenge to the state's Delegate Selection Plan shall be filed with the Chair of the Indiana Democratic Party and the Co-Chairs of the Rules and Bylaws Committee within 15 calendar days after the adoption of the Plan by the State Party. (*Reg. 3.4.B*)
3. A challenge to a Plan must be brought in conformity with the Rules and the RBC Regulations, which should be consulted for a detailed explanation of challenge procedures.

### **C. Challenges to Implementation**

1. A challenge may be brought alleging that a specific requirement of an approved Plan has not been properly implemented. Jurisdiction over all challenges initiated in a timely fashion shall reside with either the Rules and Bylaws Committee or the Credentials Committee of the National Convention (See Section VII.A. above). However, the Rules and Bylaws Committee may provide advice, assistance or interpretations of the Delegate Selection Rules at any stage of the delegate selection process. (*Reg. 3.1.C*)
2. An implementation challenge brought before the Rules and Bylaws Committee is initiated by filing a written challenge with the State Party Committee and with the Rules and Bylaws Committee not later than 15 days after the alleged violation occurred. The State Party has 21 days to render a decision. Within ten (10) days of the decision, any party to the challenge may appeal it to the Rules and Bylaws Committee. If in fact, the State Party renders no decision, any party to the challenge may request the Rules and Bylaws Committee to process it. The request must be made within ten (10) days after expiration of the above 21-day period. (*Reg. 3.4.C, Reg. 3.4.E & Reg. 3.4.H*)
3. Performance under an approved Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Program and composition of the convention delegation shall be considered relevant evidence in the challenge to any state delegation. If a State Party has adopted and implemented an approved affirmative action program, the State Party shall not be subject to challenge based solely on delegation composition or primary results. (*Rule 6.B*) The procedures are the same for challenges alleging failure to properly implement the Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach and Inclusion Programs of a Plan, except that such challenges must be filed not later than 30 days prior to the initiation of the state's delegate selection process. (*Reg. 3.4.C*)

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4. Depending on the appropriate jurisdiction (see Section VIII.A. above), implementation challenges must be brought in conformity with the Regulations of the Rules and Bylaws Committee or the Rules of Procedure of the Credentials Committee, which should be consulted for a detailed explanation of challenge procedures.



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**Section X  
Summary of Plan**

**A. Selection of Delegates and Alternates**

Indiana will use a proportional representation system based on the results of the Primary apportioning its delegates to the 2024 Democratic National Convention.

The “first determining step” of Indiana’s delegate selection process will occur on May 7th, 2024, with a Primary Election.

Delegates and alternates will be selected as summarized on the following chart:

Type	Delegates	Alternates	Date of Selection	Selecting Body
				Filing Requirements and Deadlines
District-Level Delegates District-Level Alternates	44	0	June 1, 2024	Selecting Body: <i>District Caucuses at the 2024 State Convention</i>
				<i>Those who wish to be District-Level delegates must apply at the State Party HQ by Noon EST on May 20, 2024, and then must be selected by district caucuses at the 2024 Indiana State Convention.</i>
Automatic Party Leader and Elected Official Delegates*	9	n/a	n/a	Automatic by virtue of respective public or Party office as provided in Rule 9.A. of the 2024 Delegate Selection Rules.
Pledged Party Leaders and Elected Officials (PLEOs)	9	**	June 1, 2024	Selecting Body: <i>District-Level Delegates</i>
				<i>Those who wish to be PLEO delegates must apply at the State Party HQ by Noon EST May 20, 2024 and then must be selected by the district-level delegates at the 2024 Indiana State Convention</i>
At-Large Delegates At-Large Alternates	14	6	June 1, 2024	Selecting Body: <i>District-Level Delegates</i>
				<i>Those who wish to be at-large delegates must apply at the State Party HQ by Noon EST May 20, 2020, and then must be selected by the district-level delegates at the 2024 Indiana State Convention after the selection of the District-Level and PLEO delegates</i>
TOTAL Delegates and Alternates	76	6		

\* Automatic Party Leader and Elected Official (PLEO) delegates includes the following categories, if applicable, who legally reside in the state: the Democratic National Committee Members, the Democratic President, the Democratic Vice President, all Democratic members of the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate, the Democratic Governor, and any other Distinguished Party Leader as specified in Rule 9.A. of the 2024 Delegate Selection Rules. The exact number of Automatic PLEO Delegates is subject to change due to possible deaths, resignations, elections or special elections.

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### B. Selection of Standing Committee Members (For the Credentials, Platform and Rules Committees)

Temporary standing committee members to the Platform Convention Standing Committee will be selected by the State Central Committee.

Members Per Committee	Total Members	Selection Date	Filing Requirements and Deadlines
3	3	<i>March-April 2024</i>	<i>Apply to State Party by March 1, 2024 5 PM EST</i>

Standing committee members will be selected by the state's National Convention delegates as summarized below:

Members Per Committee	Total Members	Selection Date	Filing Requirements and Deadlines
3	9	<i>June 1, 2024</i>	<i>Presidential candidate(s) submit names to State Chair by 2:00 PM EST on June 1, 2024.</i>

### C. Selection of Delegation Chair and Convention Pages

The Delegation Chair will be selected by the National Convention Delegates on June 1, 2024.

Indiana's Convention Pages will be selected by the State Party Chair on June 1, 2024.

### D. Selection of Presidential Electors

11 Presidential Electors and 11 Alternate Presidential Electors will be selected by State Convention delegates on June 1, 2024.

### E. Presidential Candidate Filing Deadline

Submit a request for primary ballot placement (CAN-7) and petitions for primary ballot placement (CAN-8) that have been certified by county voter registration officials in person or by mail to the Indiana Election Division not earlier than Wednesday, January 10, 2024 and not later than noon EST, Friday, February 9, 2024. IED must physically receive the CAN-7 and all certified CAN-8 petitions by the noon, February 9, 2024, deadline.

Indiana Election Division  
Indiana Government Center South  
302 West Washington St. Room E204  
Indianapolis, IN 46204-2767  
(317) 232-3940

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The request for primary ballot placement (CAN-7) must be accompanied by a certified petition for primary ballot placement (CAN-8) signed by at least 500 registered voters from each of Indiana’s nine (9) congressional districts for a total of at least 4,500 signatures. Each petition must include:

- Signature of each petitioner, though a person with a disability unable to sign their name may have another person sign the petition if the individual completes the affidavit of voter assistance found on the petition;
- The name of each petitioner legibly printed;
- The residence address of each petitioner as set forth on the petitioner’s voter registration record; (IC 3-8-3-2)
- The name, address, and other information set forth on the petition for the petition carrier (i.e. the individual circulating the petition) must also be completed. If any information is missing, the county voter registration official cannot process the petition but must reach out to the petition carrier to inform them the information is incomplete. If the required information is not perfected by the petition filing deadline for certification, then the petition is to be rejected. The petition must request the presidential candidate’s name be placed on the ballot of the May 7, 2024, Primary Election (IC 3-8-3-3). ( Rule 15.D)

### F. Timetable

<b>Date</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Rule (if applicable)</b>
March 1, 2023	IDP chair appoints State Party Affirmative Action Committee	Rule 6.F
March 1, 2023	IDP chair submits Letter of Intent to DNC	Reg. 2.1
	Affirmative Action Committee proposes Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plan and tentatively approved for public comment by "State Party Committee"	
April 3, 2024 (drop dead date for start of public comment)	30-day public comment period before adoption of Plan	Rule 1.C & 2.2.C
5:00pm, May 3, 2023	State Delegate Selection Plan submission; must include all written public comments	Rule 1.D
September 2023	IDP begins education on delegate selection process in districts	Rule 3.A, Rule 3.C, & Rule 3.D
September 1, 2023	IDP makes available to public IDP delegate rules, 2024 National Delegate Selection Rules, and explanation of how voters can participate in delegate selection process	Rule 1.H
September 1, 2023	Begin implementation of Affirmative Action Plan and Outreach & Inclusion Program	Rule 1.E & 1.F

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November 30, 2023	Deadline to provide Indiana State Convention Delegate Allocation to Indiana Election Division	
Before end of 2023	3 days after receiving list back from presidential campaigns, IDP chair certifies campaign followed Affirmative Action Plan with DNC	Rule 6.I & Reg. 4.10.C
January 10, 2024	2024 Indiana Candidate Filing opens	
February 9, 2024	2024 Indiana Candidate Filing deadline	
March 1, 2024	2024 Indiana Temporary Standing Committee Filing deadline	
March 6, 2024	Secretary of the DNC confirms the State Democratic Chair's names for automatic delegated who reside in Indiana	
April 19, 2024	2024 Indiana Delegate Filing opens	
May 3, 2024	IDP provides list of temporary Standing Committee Members for meetings before official selection of permanent members	Call VII.G.2
May 7, 2024	2024 Primary Election	
May 20, 2024	2024 Indiana Delegate Filing deadline	
May 24, 2024	Presidential candidate deadline to provide list of candidates they have approved for district-level delegate positions	
June 1, 2024	2024 State Convention	
June 1, 2024	IDP chair selects Convention Pages before selection of Standing Committee Members	Call IV.F.3
June 1, 2024	Presidential campaign must be informed of meeting to elect Standing Committee Members and must return approved names for consideration by delegates	Call VII.D.2
June 1, 2024	District Conventions elect Presidential Electors	
June 1, 2024	Provide list of district, at-large, and PLEO candidates for delegate & alternate to presidential campaigns	Rule 13.D & 13.F
June 3, 2024	3 days after election of Delegation Chair, IDP chair certifies selection with DNC	Call IV.E
June 7, 2024	Within 7 days of electing at-large delegates, and no later than June 22, quorum of delegates elects Delegation Chair	Call VII.B.1
June 7, 2024	Within 14 days of electing at-large delegates, and no later than June 22, quorum of delegates elects Standing Committee Members	Call VII.B.1
June 10, 2024	10 days after election of delegates, IDP chair certifies all delegates, alternates, and their presidential preference with DNC	Call IV.A & Reg. 5.4.A Call IV.C

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June 3, 2024	3 days after selection of Convention Pages, IDP chair certifies selection with DNC	Call IV.F.3 & Reg. 5.7.B
June 11, 2024	All official Convention participants to be selected	Call Article III
June 22, 2024	Credentials, Platform, and Rules Standing Committees meet	
June/July 2024	2024 National Convention	

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**Attachments**

**A. Affirmative Action Committee**

**1. List of Affirmative Action Committee Members**

<b>Appointee</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Gender</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>LGBTQ</b>	<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>	<b>Disability</b>	<b>Veteran</b>
ZeNai Brooks	Indianapolis	Female	37	No	African American	No	No
Hon. Rodney Pol	Chesterton	Male	38	No	Latino	No	No
Arielle Brandy	South Bend	Female	33	No	African American, Latina, Native American	No	No
Martha Quintanilla	Avilla	Female	44	No	White	Yes	No
Sadie Harper Scott	West Lafayette	Female	65	No	African American	No	No
Tamie Dixon-Tatum	Anderson	Female	51	No	African American	No	No
Grace Kestler	Columbus	Female	33	No	White	Yes	No
Sara Hindi	Indianapolis	Female	29	No	Arab American	No	No
Bionca Gambill	Terre Haute	Female	65	No	White	Yes	No
Mia Seifers	Bloomington	Female	21	Yes	White	No	No
Alex Workman	Carmel	Female	21	No	White	No	No
LaMicra Martin	New Albany	Female	43	No	African American	No	No
Rick Sutton	Indianapolis	Male	68	Yes	White	Yes	No
Martin Del Rio	Highland	Male	36	No	Latino	No	Yes
Hector Morales	Indianapolis	Male	28	Yes	Latino	No	No
Dyna Martinez	Indianapolis	Female	26	No	African American, Latina	No	No
Jane Phillips	McCordsville	Female	53	No	White	No	No
Robert Dion	Evansville	Male	59	Yes	White	No	No
Christine Lowe	Indianapolis	Female	35	No	White	No	No

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**STATEMENT FROM THE STATE CHAIR CONFIRMING THAT THE COMPOSITION OF THE STATE  
AFFIRMATIVE ACTION COMMITTEE COMPLIES WITH RULES 5.C, 6.A., AND 7 (REG. 2.2.J)**

In compliance with Rules 5.C., 6.A., and 7 of the Democratic National Committee Delegate Selection Rules, I hereby certify that the Affirmative Action Committee composition with Regulation 2.2.J., and that the names, demographic data, and contact information of members was submitted to the RBC within 15 days after their appointment.



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Michael R. Schmuhl

Chair

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**STATEMENT FROM THE CHAIR OF THE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION COMMITTEE CERTIFYING COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 6.F., WHICH REQUIRES THAT THE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION COMMITTEE HAS REVIEWED THE PROPOSED AFFIRMATIVE ACTION OUTREACH PLAN, INCLUDING ANY NUMERIC GOALS ESTABLISHED (RULE 6.F & REG. 2.2.1)**

In compliance with Rule 6.F of the Democratic National Committee Delegate Selection Regulation 2.2.1, I hereby certify that the Affirmative Action Committee reviewed the proposed Affirmative Action outreach plan, including numerical goals, and approved the plan on March 30, 2023.

*Z. Nai Brooks*

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ZeNai Brooks  
Affirmative Action Committee Chair





**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

Indiana Democratic Party

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April 1, 2023

**Public Comment Open for Indiana Democrats' 2024 National Delegate Selection Plan**

**INDIANAPOLIS** - The Indiana Democratic Party, the organization that advocates for Hoosiers, their families and workers, today posted its draft Delegate Selection Plan for the 2024 Democratic National Convention for public comment. The draft plan and public comment form can be found on the State Party website at [indems.org/dsp-2/](https://indems.org/dsp-2/).

Public comments will be accepted for 30 days. Afterwards, the State Party will consider and integrate comments. Then, the plan will be sent to the Democratic State Central Committee for review. Once the plan is approved, it will be sent to the Democratic National Committee for consent.

In addition, the plan proposes how delegates are discovered, how delegates will be allocated via district and state-level results, reports on the Affirmative Action Committee's contributions to the plan, and a list of media outlets who were sent the plan.

Most of Indiana's delegates — 44 — will be elected by district at the 2024 Indiana State Democratic Convention, which will be tentatively held on June 1, 2024 in Indianapolis and allocated via the results of the 2024 Indiana Democratic Presidential Primary in those districts. 14 At-Large Delegates will be selected at the State Convention and allocated by statewide results of the 2024 Indiana Democratic Presidential Primary.

Other delegate categories include: Automatic Delegates, Party Leader and Elected Official Delegates (PLEO) and Alternate Delegates. In addition, four Convention Pages will be selected to serve at the convention, and a Delegation Chair will be elected by a meeting of the delegates.

All comments and questions about the plan can be submitted [here](#).

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**COPIES OF ALL STATE STATUTES AND OTHER RELEVANT LEGAL AUTHORITY REASONABLY RELATED TO THE DELEGATE SELECTION PROCESS OR THE ELECTION OF PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS. (REG. 2.2.L & CAL VIII)**

**IC 3-5-2-40.5"Proof of identification"**

Sec. 40.5. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), "proof of identification" refers to a document that satisfies all the following:

(1) The document shows the name of the individual to whom the document was issued, and the name conforms to the name in the individual's voter registration record.

(2) The document shows a photograph of the individual to whom the document was issued.

(3) The document includes an expiration date, and the document:

(A) is not expired; or

(B) expired after the date of the most recent general election.

(4) The document was issued by the United States or the state of Indiana.

(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a)(3), a document issued by the United States Department of Defense, the United States Department of Veterans Affairs (or its predecessor, the Veterans Administration), a branch of the uniformed services, the Merchant Marine, or the Indiana National Guard that:

(1) otherwise complies with the requirements of subsection (a); and

(2) has no expiration date or states that the document has an indefinite expiration date;

is sufficient proof of identification for purposes of this title.

*As added by P.L.109-2005, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.118-2011, SEC.1; P.L.76-2014, SEC.3.*

**IC 3-6-4.1-2Membership**

Sec. 2. (a) The commission consists of four (4) individuals appointed by the governor.

(b) Each member of the commission must be a registered voter.

(c) Each member of the commission must be a member of a major political party of the state. Not more than two (2) members of the commission may be a member of the same political party.

*As added by P.L.8-1995, SEC.18.*

**IC 3-6-4.1-4Nominations and appointments for succeeding term**

Sec. 4. (a) Before May 1 of a year that the term of a member of the commission expires, the state chairman of the major political party of the state represented by that member may nominate, in writing, two (2) individuals of the state chairman's own political party to succeed the member whose term will expire.

(b) The state chairman of a political party may nominate the individual

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whose term will expire that year to serve a new term.

(c) If the state chairman makes the nominations before May 1, the governor shall appoint one (1) of the nominees to the commission.

(d) If the state chairman fails to make the nominations before May 1, the governor shall, within another ten (10) days, appoint a member of the same political party as the state chairman. The state chairman may disapprove the selection by notifying the governor within seven (7) days after receiving notice of the governor's appointment.

(e) If the state chairman disapproves the selection within the seven (7) day period under subsection (d), the governor shall make another appointment under subsection (d) that is also subject to the disapproval of the state chairman under subsection (d).

(f) If the state chairman does not disapprove an appointment under subsection (d) within the seven (7) day period, the individual appointed by the governor is a member of the commission.

*As added by P.L.8-1995, SEC.18.*

### **IC 3-6-4.1-14 Powers and duties**

Sec. 14. (a) In addition to other duties prescribed by law, the commission shall do the following:

(1) Administer Indiana election laws.

(2) Adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to do the following:

(A) Govern the fair, legal, and orderly conduct of elections, including the following:

(i) Emergency rules described in section 16 of this chapter to implement a court order requiring the commission, the election division, or an election board or official to administer an election in a manner not authorized by this title.

(ii) Rules (including joint rules with other agencies when necessary) to implement and administer NVRA.

(B) Carry out IC 3-9 (campaign finance).

(C) Govern the establishment of precincts under IC 3-11-1.5.

(D) Specify procedures and fees for the processing of an application from a vendor for voting systems approval and testing.

(3) Advise and exercise supervision over local election and registration officers.

(b) This section does not divest a county election board of any powers and duties imposed on the board in IC 3-6-5, except that if there is a deadlock on a county election board, the county election board shall submit the question to the commission for final determination.

*As added by P.L.8-1995, SEC.18. Amended by P.L.4-1996, SEC.10; P.L.3-1997, SEC.24; P.L.169-2015, SEC.8.*

**IC 3-7-13-4 Disfranchisement of prisoners**

Sec. 4. (a) A person who is:

- (1) convicted of a crime; and
- (2) imprisoned following conviction;

is deprived of the right of suffrage by the general assembly pursuant to Article 2, Section 8 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana.

(b) A person described in subsection (a) is ineligible to register under this article during the period that the person is:

- (1) imprisoned; or
- (2) otherwise subject to lawful detention.

*As added by P.L.12-1995, SEC.22.*

**IC 3-7-13-5 Restoration of right to vote**

Sec. 5. A person described in section 4 of this chapter who is otherwise qualified to register under this article is eligible to register when the person is no longer:

- (1) imprisoned; or
- (2) otherwise subject to lawful detention.

*As added by P.L.12-1995, SEC.22. Amended by P.L.195-2003, SEC.1; P.L.118-2007, SEC.1.*

**IC 3-7-26.7 Chapter 26.7. Online Voter Registration**

**IC 3-7-26.7-1 Application**

Sec. 1. This chapter applies to an individual who:

- (1) is eligible to register to vote under IC 3-7-13; and
- (2) possesses a current and valid:
  - (A) Indiana driver's license issued under IC 9-24; or
  - (B) Indiana identification card for nondrivers issued under IC 9-24-16.

*As added by P.L.120-2009, SEC.3.*

**IC 3-7-26.7-2 "Applicant"**

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "applicant" means an individual who submits an application as provided in this chapter.

*As added by P.L.120-2009, SEC.3.*

**IC 3-7-26.7-3 "Bureau"**

Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "bureau" refers to the bureau of motor vehicles created by IC 9-14-7-1.

*As added by P.L.120-2009, SEC.3. Amended by P.L.198-2016, SEC.3.*

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### **IC 3-7-26.7-4 Submission of voter registration application; effective date**

Sec. 4. After June 30, 2010, an individual described in section 1 of this chapter may submit a voter registration application to a county voter registration office using the procedures set forth in this chapter.

*As added by P.L.120-2009, SEC.3.*

### **IC 3-7-26.7-5 Establishment of secure web site; requirements for web site**

Sec. 5. (a) The secretary of state, with the consent of the co-directors of the election division, shall establish a secure Internet web site to permit individuals described in section 1 of this chapter to submit applications under this chapter.

(b) The secure web site established under subsection (a) must allow an individual described in section 1 of this chapter to submit:

(1) an application:

(A) for registration as a first time voter in Indiana; or

(B) to change the individual's name, address, or other information set forth in the individual's existing voter registration record; and

(2) information to establish that the applicant is eligible under section 1 of this chapter to register online.

*As added by P.L.120-2009, SEC.3.*

### **IC 3-7-26.7-6 Processing Internet application; bureau's duties**

Sec. 6. (a) When an applicant submits an application described in section 5(b)(1) of this chapter by use of the secure Internet web site established under this chapter, the bureau shall compare the information submitted by the applicant with the information maintained in the bureau's data base listing individuals who possess a current and valid Indiana:

(1) driver's license; or

(2) identification card for nondrivers.

(b) If the bureau confirms that the applicant possesses a current and valid:

(1) Indiana driver's license issued under IC 9-24; or

(2) Indiana identification card for nondrivers issued under IC 9-24-16;

the completed application and information compiled by the bureau (including the digital signature of the applicant) shall be submitted to the county voter registration office in the county in which the applicant currently resides using the computerized statewide voter registration list maintained under IC 3-7-26.3.

(c) If the bureau is unable to confirm that the applicant possesses a current and valid:

(1) Indiana driver's license issued under IC 9-24; or

(2) Indiana identification card for nondrivers issued under IC 9-24-16;

the Internet web site must display a message advising the applicant to review and correct all errors, and that there was an error validating the driver's license or identification card entered by the applicant. The Internet web site may not permit the applicant to continue the registration process unless the bureau is able to confirm that the number entered belongs to an individual.

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*As added by P.L.120-2009, SEC.3. Amended by P.L.64-2014, SEC.10.*

### **IC 3-7-26.7-7Application of article to Internet applications**

Sec. 7. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, the county voter registration office shall process the application under this article.

*As added by P.L.120-2009, SEC.3. Amended by P.L.1-2010, SEC.2.*

### **IC 3-10-1-6Eligible voters**

Sec. 6. A voter may vote at a primary election:

- (1) if the voter, at the last general election, voted for a majority of the regular nominees of the political party holding the primary election; or
  - (2) if the voter did not vote at the last general election, but intends to vote at the next general election for a majority of the regular nominees of the political party holding the primary election;
- as long as the voter was registered as a voter at the last general election or has registered since then.

[Pre-1986 Recodification Citation: 3-1-9-3 part.]

*As added by P.L.5-1986, SEC.6.*

### **IC 3-11-10-24Requirements for voting absentee ballot by mail; voting procedure; delivery**

Sec. 24. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), a voter who satisfies any of the following is entitled to vote by mail:

- (1) The voter has a specific, reasonable expectation of being absent from the county on election day during the entire twelve (12) hours that the polls are open.
- (2) The voter will be absent from the precinct of the voter's residence on election day because of service as:
  - (A) a precinct election officer under IC 3-6-6;
  - (B) a watcher under IC 3-6-8, IC 3-6-9, or IC 3-6-10;
  - (C) a challenger or pollbook holder under IC 3-6-7; or
  - (D) a person employed by an election board to administer the election for which the absentee ballot is requested.
- (3) The voter will be confined on election day to the voter's residence, to a health care facility, or to a hospital because of an illness or injury during the entire twelve (12) hours that the polls are open.
- (4) The voter is a voter with disabilities.
- (5) The voter is an elderly voter.
- (6) The voter is prevented from voting due to the voter's care of an individual confined to a private residence because of illness or injury during the entire twelve (12) hours that the polls are open.
- (7) The voter is scheduled to work at the person's regular place of employment during the entire twelve (12) hours that the polls are open.
- (8) The voter is eligible to vote under IC 3-10-11 or IC 3-10-12.
- (9) The voter is prevented from voting due to observance of a religious

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discipline or religious holiday during the entire twelve (12) hours that the polls are open.

(10) The voter is an address confidentiality program participant (as defined in IC 5-26.5-1-6).

(11) The voter is a member of the military or public safety officer.

(12) The voter is a serious sex offender (as defined in IC 35-42-4-14(a)).

(13) The voter is prevented from voting due to the unavailability of transportation to the polls.

(b) A voter with disabilities who:

(1) is unable to make a voting mark on the ballot or sign the absentee ballot secrecy envelope; and

(2) requests that the absentee ballot be delivered to an address within Indiana; must vote before an absentee voter board under section 25(b) of this chapter.

(c) If a voter receives an absentee ballot by mail, the voter shall personally mark the ballot in secret and seal the marked ballot inside the envelope provided by the county election board for that purpose. The voter shall:

(1) deposit the sealed envelope in the United States mail for delivery to the county election board; or

(2) authorize a member of the voter's household or the individual designated as the voter's attorney in fact to:

(A) deposit the sealed envelope in the United States mail; or

(B) deliver the sealed envelope in person to the county election board.

(d) If a member of the voter's household or the voter's attorney in fact delivers the sealed envelope containing a voter's absentee ballot to the county election board, the individual delivering the ballot shall complete an affidavit in a form prescribed by the election division. The affidavit must contain the following information:

(1) The name and residence address of the voter whose absentee ballot is being delivered.

(2) A statement of the full name, residence and mailing address, and daytime and evening telephone numbers (if any) of the individual delivering the absentee ballot.

(3) A statement indicating whether the individual delivering the absentee ballot is a member of the voter's household or is the attorney in fact for the voter. If the individual is the attorney in fact for the voter, the individual must attach a copy of the power of attorney for the voter, unless a copy of this document has already been filed with the county election board.

(4) The date and location at which the absentee ballot was delivered by the voter to the individual delivering the ballot to the county election board.

(5) A statement that the individual delivering the absentee ballot has complied with Indiana laws governing absentee ballots.

(6) A statement that the individual delivering the absentee ballot is executing the affidavit under the penalties of perjury.

(7) A statement setting forth the penalties for perjury.

(e) The county election board shall record the date and time that the

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affidavit under subsection (d) was filed with the board.

(f) After a voter has mailed or delivered an absentee ballot to the office of the circuit court clerk, the voter may not recast a ballot, except as provided in section 1.5 of this chapter.

[Pre-1986 Recodification Citation: 3-1-22-3 part.]

*As added by P.L.5-1986, SEC.7. Amended by P.L.4-1991, SEC.96; P.L.3-1995, SEC.106; P.L.3-1997, SEC.305; P.L.38-1999, SEC.46; P.L.126-2002, SEC.70; P.L.103-2005, SEC.12; P.L.120-2009, SEC.8; P.L.225-2011, SEC.61; P.L.235-2015, SEC.1; P.L.169-2015, SEC.119.*

### **IC 3-11-10-25 Confined voters or caregivers; voters with disabilities; visits by absentee voter board; required information; obstruction or interference with election officer**

Sec. 25. (a) A voter who votes by absentee ballot because of:

(1) illness or injury; or

(2) caring for a confined person at a private residence;

and who is within the county on election day may vote before an absentee voter board or by mail.

(b) If requested by a voter described in subsection (a) or by a voter with disabilities whose precinct is not accessible to voters with disabilities, an absentee voter board shall visit the voter's place of confinement, the residence of the voter with disabilities, or the private residence:

(1) during the regular office hours of the circuit court clerk;

(2) at a time agreed to by the board and the voter;

(3) on any of the nineteen (19) days immediately before election day; and

(4) only once before an election, unless:

(A) the confined voter is unavailable at the time of the board's first visit due to a medical emergency; or

(B) the board, in its discretion, decides to make an additional visit.

(c) This subsection applies to a voter confined due to illness or injury. An absentee voter board may not be denied access to the voter's place of confinement if the board is present at the place of confinement at a time:

(1) agreed to by the board and the voter; and

(2) during the regular office hours of the circuit court clerk. A person who knowingly violates this subsection commits obstruction or interference with an election officer in the discharge of the officer's duty, a violation of IC 3-14-3-4.

(d) The county election board, by unanimous vote of the board's entire membership, may authorize an absentee voter board to visit a voter who is confined due to illness or injury and will be outside the county on election day in accordance with the procedures set forth in subsection (b).

(e) As provided by 52 U.S.C. 21081, a voter casting an absentee ballot under this section must be:

(1) permitted to verify in a private and independent manner the votes selected by the voter before the ballot is cast and counted;

(2) provided with the opportunity to change the ballot or correct any error in a



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private and independent manner before the ballot is cast and counted, including the opportunity to receive a replacement ballot if the voter is otherwise unable to change or correct the ballot; and  
(3) notified before the ballot is cast regarding the effect of casting multiple votes for the office and provided an opportunity to correct the ballot before the ballot is cast and counted.

(f) As provided by 52 U.S.C. 21081, when an absentee ballot is provided under this section, the board must also provide the voter with:

- (1) information concerning the effect of casting multiple votes for an office; and
- (2) instructions on how to correct the ballot before the ballot is cast and counted, including the issuance of replacement ballots.

(g) This subsection applies to a voter who applies to vote an absentee ballot by mail. The county election board shall include a copy of the Absentee Voter's Bill of Rights with any absentee ballot mailed to the voter.

[Pre-1986 Recodification Citations: 3-1-22-3 part; 3-1-22-21(a) part.]

*As added by P.L.5-1986, SEC.7. Amended by P.L.3-1987, SEC.264; P.L.10-1988, SEC.114; P.L.5-1989, SEC.56; P.L.4-1991, SEC.97; P.L.3-1993, SEC.152; P.L.3-1997, SEC.306; P.L.126-2002, SEC.71; P.L.209-2003, SEC.146; P.L.103-2005, SEC.13; P.L.164-2006, SEC.108; P.L.128-2015, SEC.182; P.L.169-2015, SEC.120.*

### **IC 3-11-10-26 Voting at circuit court clerk's office, satellite office; time, place, and procedure for voting; absentee uniformed services voters; proof of identification**

Sec. 26. (a) This subsection applies to all counties, except for a county to which IC 3-6-5.2 applies. As an alternative to voting by mail, a voter is entitled to cast an absentee ballot before an absentee voter board at any of the following:

- (1) One (1) location of the office of the circuit court clerk designated by the circuit court clerk.
- (2) A satellite office established under section 26.3 of this chapter.

(b) This subsection applies to a county to which IC 3-6-5.2 applies. As an alternative to voting by mail, a voter is entitled to cast an absentee ballot before an absentee voter board at any of the following:

- (1) The office of the board of elections and registration.
- (2) A satellite office established under section 26.3 of this chapter.

(c) Except for a location designated under subsection (a)(1), a location of the office of the circuit court clerk must be established as a satellite office under section 26.3 of this chapter in order to be used as a location at which a voter is entitled to cast an absentee ballot before an absentee voter board under this section.

(d) The voter must do the following before being permitted to vote:

- (1) This subdivision does not apply to a county that uses electronic poll books for voting under this section. Sign an application on the form prescribed by the election division under IC 3-11-4-5.1. The application must be received by the

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circuit court clerk not later than the time prescribed by IC 3-11-4-3.

(2) This subdivision applies only to a county that uses electronic poll books for voting under this section and in which the ballot is cast on an electronic voting system. The voter must do the following:

(A) If the county election board has prescribed an affidavit under subsection (e) that includes a unique identifier to comply with section 26.2(c)(3) of this chapter, make and subscribe to the affidavit.

(B) Sign the electronic poll book.

(C) Provide proof of identification.

(3) This subdivision applies only to a county that uses electronic poll books for voting under this section and in which the ballot is cast on an optical scan voting system. The voter must do the following:

(A) Sign the electronic poll book.

(B) Provide proof of identification.

(C) Sign the affidavit prescribed by section 29 of this chapter.

(e) The county election board may:

(1) prescribe an affidavit that includes a unique identifier; or

(2) establish a procedure to produce a document, label, or electronic record that is associated with each voter and includes a unique identifier;

to comply with section 26.2(c)(3) of this chapter. After the county election board approves an affidavit or procedure described in this subsection and before the affidavit or procedure is used in an election, the county election board shall file a copy of the affidavit or a brief description of the procedure with the election division to assist the state recount commission in conducting proceedings under IC 3-12-11.

(f) The voter may vote before the board not more than twenty-eight (28) days nor later than noon on the day before election day. If the close of a voter registration period is transferred under IC 3-5-4-1.5 from twenty-nine (29) days to a later date due to the Columbus Day holiday, the voter may vote before the board on the first day following the day on which the voter registration period closes.

(g) An absent uniformed services voter who is eligible to vote by absentee ballot in the circuit court clerk's office under IC 3-7-36-14 may vote before the board not earlier than twenty-eight (28) days before the election and not later than noon on election day. If the close of a voter registration period is transferred under IC 3-5-4-1.5 from twenty-nine (29) days to a later date due to the Columbus Day holiday, the voter may vote before the board on the first day following the day on which the voter registration period closes. If a voter described by this subsection wishes to cast an absentee ballot during the period beginning at noon on the day before election day and ending at noon on election day, the county election board or absentee voter board may receive and process the ballot at a location designated by resolution of the county election board.

(h) The absentee voter board in the office of the circuit court clerk must permit voters to cast absentee ballots under this section for at least seven (7)

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hours on each of the two (2) Saturdays preceding election day.

(i) Notwithstanding subsection (h), in a county with a population of less than twenty thousand (20,000), the absentee voter board in the office of the circuit court clerk, with the approval of the county election board, may reduce the number of hours available to cast absentee ballots under this section to a minimum of four (4) hours on each of the two (2) Saturdays preceding election day.

(j) As provided by 52 U.S.C. 21081, a voter casting an absentee ballot under this section must be:

- (1) permitted to verify in a private and independent manner the votes selected by the voter before the ballot is cast and counted;
- (2) provided with the opportunity to change the ballot or correct any error in a private and independent manner before the ballot is cast and counted, including the opportunity to receive a replacement ballot if the voter is otherwise unable to change or correct the ballot; and
- (3) notified before the ballot is cast regarding the effect of casting multiple votes for the office and provided an opportunity to correct the ballot before the ballot is cast and counted.

(k) As provided by 52 U.S.C. 21081, when an absentee ballot is provided under this section, the board must also provide the voter with:

- (1) information concerning the effect of casting multiple votes for an office; and
- (2) instructions on how to correct the ballot before the ballot is cast and counted, including the issuance of replacement ballots.

(l) If:

- (1) the voter is unable or declines to present the proof of identification; or
- (2) a member of the board determines that the proof of identification provided by the voter does not qualify as proof of identification under IC 3-5-2-40.5; the voter shall be permitted to cast an absentee ballot and the voter's absentee ballot shall be treated as a provisional ballot.

(m) A voter casting an absentee ballot under this section is entitled to cast the voter's ballot in accordance with IC 3-11-9.

[Pre-1986 Recodification Citation: 3-1-22-21(b) part.]

*As added by P.L.5-1986, SEC.7. Amended by P.L.3-1987, SEC.265; P.L.5-1989, SEC.57; P.L.4-1991, SEC.98; P.L.8-1992, SEC.27; P.L.3-1995, SEC.107; P.L.2-1996, SEC.185; P.L.3-1997, SEC.307; P.L.167-2001, SEC.7 and P.L.199-2001, SEC.23; P.L.126-2002, SEC.72; P.L.209-2003, SEC.147; P.L.14-2004, SEC.124; P.L.103-2005, SEC.14; P.L.164-2006, SEC.109; P.L.66-2010, SEC.24; P.L.225-2011, SEC.62; P.L.194-2013, SEC.60; P.L.258-2013, SEC.78; P.L.128-2015, SEC.183; P.L.169-2015, SEC.121; P.L.71-2017, SEC.1.*

**IC 3-11-15-46 County election board defines access policies to voting systems and electronic poll books; security protocols; default protocols**

Sec. 46. (a) The county election board is responsible for defining the specific access policies applying to voting systems and electronic poll books in each election and for specifying when any variations from these policies are permitted.

(b) The county election board may adopt a resolution to establish a security protocol to secure the voting systems and electronic poll books used in each election conducted in the county. The security protocol must include an audit trail to detect unauthorized access to the voting systems and electronic poll books. A resolution adopted under this subsection must be adopted by the unanimous vote of the board's entire membership. If the board adopts a resolution under this subsection, the requirements of subsections (c) through (g) do not apply to the county. The person or entity conducting the voting system technical oversight program and the election division shall be available to advise the county election board in the development of a security protocol under this subsection.

(c) The county election board shall place a uniquely numbered seal on each voting system and electronic poll book used in an election to secure the voting system and electronic poll book and permit post-election auditing. The form of the seal and information contained on the seal shall be prescribed by the election division and must make it impossible to access the sealed part of the unit without detection.

(d) The county election board shall place the seal described in subsection (c) on the voting system or electronic poll book immediately upon completion of the canvass of votes cast in an election in which the voting system or electronic poll book was made available for use at a precinct or vote center.

(e) The seal must remain in place except when the county election board orders unsealing of the voting system or electronic poll book in one (1) of the following cases when the board finds unsealing to be necessary:

- (1) To conduct maintenance on the voting system or electronic poll book.
- (2) To prepare the voting system or electronic poll book for use in the next election to be conducted by the county in which the voting system or electronic poll book will be made available.
- (3) To install certified voting system hardware, firmware, or software on a voting system or certified upgrades on an electronic poll book.
- (4) To conduct a public test of the voting system or electronic poll book required by state law.
- (5) To conduct an audit authorized or required by this title.
- (6) For the county election board to correct an error under IC 3-12-5-14.
- (7) When ordered during a recount or contest proceeding under IC 3-12.

(f) The county election board shall reseal the voting system or electronic poll book immediately after the completion of the maintenance, installation, audit, correction, recount proceeding, or contest proceeding. When the county election board orders the unsealing of the voting system or electronic poll book

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to prepare for the use of the equipment in an election, the voting system or electronic poll book may remain unsealed until the canvassing is completed under subsection (d).

(g) The county election board shall document when each voting system or electronic poll book is sealed or unsealed under this section, identifying:

- (1) the serial number of each voting system or electronic poll book that is sealed or unsealed;
- (2) the date on which the sealing or unsealing occurred; and
- (3) the individual who performed the sealing or unsealing.

*As added by P.L.3-1997, SEC.332. Amended by P.L.100-2018, SEC.9.*

### **IC 3-11-4-18 Transmitting ballots; additional documentation; voter education program**

Note: This version of section effective until 7-1-2018. See also following version of this section, effective 7-1-2018.

Sec. 18. (a) If a voter satisfies any of the qualifications described in IC 3-11-10-24 that entitle a voter to cast an absentee ballot by mail, the county election board shall, at the request of the voter, mail the official ballot, postage fully prepaid, to the voter at the address stated in the application.

(b) If the county election board mails an absentee ballot to a voter required to file additional documentation with the county voter registration office before voting by absentee ballot under this chapter, the board shall include a notice to the voter in the envelope mailed to the voter under section 20 of this chapter. The notice must inform the voter that the voter must file the additional documentation required under IC 3-7-33-4.5 with the county voter registration office not later than noon on election day for the absentee ballot to be counted as an absentee ballot, and that, if the documentation required under IC 3-7-33-4.5 is filed after noon and before 6 p.m. on election day, the ballot will be processed as a provisional ballot. The election division shall prescribe the form of this notice under IC 3-5-4-8.

(c) Except as provided in this subsection, section 18.5 of this chapter, or IC 3-11-10-26.5, the ballot shall be transmitted:

- (1) on the day of the receipt of the voter's application; or
- (2) not more than five (5) days after the date of delivery of the ballots under section 15 of this chapter;

whichever is later. If the election board determines that the county voter registration office has received an application from the applicant for registration at an address within the precinct indicated on the application, and the election board determines that this application is pending under IC 3-7-33, the ballot shall be mailed on the date the county voter registration office indicates under IC 3-7-33-5(g) that the applicant is a registered voter.

(d) As required by 52 U.S.C. 21081, an election board shall establish a voter education program (specific to a paper ballot or optical scan ballot card provided as an absentee ballot under this chapter) to notify a voter of the effect of casting multiple votes for a single office.

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(e) As provided by 52 U.S.C. 21081, when an absentee ballot is transmitted under this section, the mailing must include:

- (1) information concerning the effect of casting multiple votes for an office; and
- (2) instructions on how to correct the ballot before the ballot is cast and counted, including the issuance of replacement ballots.

[Pre-1986 Recodification Citation: 3-1-22-5(a).]

*As added by P.L.5-1986, SEC.7. Amended by P.L.3-1987, SEC.229; P.L.10-1988, SEC.105; P.L.4-1991, SEC.71; P.L.3-1993, SEC.128; P.L.3-1995, SEC.99; P.L.126-2002, SEC.55; P.L.209-2003, SEC.116; P.L.14-2004, SEC.105; P.L.103-2005, SEC.6; P.L.164-2006, SEC.93; P.L.66-2010, SEC.19; P.L.194-2013, SEC.55; P.L.128-2015, SEC.163; P.L.216-2015, SEC.21; P.L.169-2015, SEC.102; P.L.86-2018, SEC.3.*

### **IC 3-11-4-5.5 Election division designated as single office for voter registration and absentee ballot procedures for overseas and absent uniformed services voters; MOVE exception**

Sec. 5.5. In accordance with 52 U.S.C. 20302(b), but subject to section 5.7 of this chapter, the election division is designated as the single office in Indiana responsible for providing information regarding voter registration procedures under IC 3-7 and absentee ballot procedures under this chapter to be used by absent uniformed services voters and overseas voters who wish to register to vote or vote in any jurisdiction in Indiana.

*As added by P.L.209-2003, SEC.112. Amended by P.L.66-2010, SEC.12; P.L.128-2015, SEC.156.*

### **IC 3-11-4-5.7 Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment Act; delegation of authority to counties; designation of communications means; providing applications to voters; security and privacy of application requests; providing information to voters; free access system**

Sec. 5.7. (a) As used in this section, "MOVE" refers to the Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment Act (P.L. 111-84, Division A, Title V, Subtitle H (Section 575 et seq.)).

(b) As used in this section, "voter" refers only to either of the following:

- (1) An absent uniformed services voter.
- (2) An overseas voter.

(c) Except as expressly provided by law, the state delegates its responsibilities to carry out the requirements of MOVE to each county election board (or board of elections and registration established under IC 3-6-5.2 or IC 3-6-5.4).

(d) To implement 52 U.S.C. 20302, electronic mail, fax, and web publication are designated as means of communication for a voter to request a voter registration application and an absentee ballot application from the election division, a county election board, or a county voter registration office.

(e) An office described in subsection (d) that receives an electronic mail or

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fax from a voter shall provide an absentee ballot application or a voter registration application by electronic mail or fax to the voter if:

- (1) requested by the voter; and
- (2) the voter provides an electronic mail address or a fax number that permits the office to send an application not later than the end of the first business day after the office receives the communication from the voter.

If the electronic mail address or the fax number provided by the voter does not permit the office to send the voter an application not later than the end of the first business day after the office receives the communication, the office shall send the application to the voter by United States mail.

(f) As required by 52 U.S.C. 20302, to the extent practicable and permitted under Indiana law (including IC 3-7 and IC 5-14-3), an office described in subsection (d) shall ensure that the procedures used to transmit an absentee ballot application or a voter registration application to an absent uniformed services voter or overseas voter protect the security and integrity of the application request processes, and that the privacy of the identity and other personal data of the voter who requests or is sent an application under subsection (e) is protected throughout the process of making the request or being sent the application.

(g) As required under 52 U.S.C. 20302, an office described in subsection (d) shall include information regarding the use of electronic mail, fax, and web publication with all informational and instructional materials that are sent with an absentee ballot application or an absentee ballot to an absent uniformed services voter or overseas voter.

(h) To implement Section 580 of MOVE, and in accordance with IC 3-7-26.3-3, the secretary of state, with the approval of the election division, shall develop a free access system that permits an absent uniformed services voter or overseas voter to determine whether the voter's absentee ballot has been received by the appropriate county election board (or board of elections and registration), regardless of the manner in which the absentee ballot was transmitted by the voter to the board. To the extent permitted by IC 3-7 and IC 5-14-3, the system must contain reasonable procedures to protect the security, confidentiality, and integrity of personal information collected, stored, or otherwise used on the system.

*As added by P.L.66-2010, SEC.13. Amended by P.L.128-2015, SEC.157; P.L.169-2015, SEC.100.*

### **IC 3-11-4-6 Absent uniformed services voters, overseas voters, and address confidentiality voters; transmission of applications and ballots**

Sec. 6. (a) This section applies, notwithstanding any other provision of this title, to absentee ballot applications for the following:

- (1) An absent uniformed services voter.
- (2) An address confidentiality program participant (as defined in IC 5-26.5-1-6).
- (3) An overseas voter.

(b) A county election board shall make blank absentee ballot applications

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available for persons covered by this section. Except as provided in section 3(c) of this chapter, a person may apply for an absentee ballot at any time after the registration period resumes under IC 3-7-13-10.

(c) A person covered by this section may apply for an absentee ballot for the next scheduled primary, general, or special election by filing either of the following:

(1) A combined absentee registration form and absentee ballot request approved under 52 U.S.C. 20301(b)(2).

(2) A form prescribed under IC 3-5-4-8 that identifies the applicant as an absent uniformed services voter or an overseas voter. A form prescribed under this subdivision must permit the applicant to designate whether the applicant wishes to receive the absentee ballot by electronic mail, fax, or United States mail.

(d) If the county election board receives an absentee ballot application from a person described by subsection (c), the circuit court clerk shall mail to the person, free of postage as provided by 39 U.S.C. 3406, all ballots for the election immediately upon receipt of the ballots under section 15 of this chapter, unless the person has indicated under subsection (c) that the person wishes to receive the absentee ballot by electronic mail or fax.

(e) Whenever a voter files an application for an absentee ballot and indicates on the application that the voter is an absent uniformed services voter or an overseas voter, the application is an adequate application for an absentee ballot for an election conducted during the period that ends on December 31 following the date the application is filed, unless an absentee ballot mailed to the voter at the address set forth in the application is returned to the county election board during that period as undeliverable. The circuit court clerk and county election board shall process this application and send general election absentee ballots to the voter in the same manner as other general election and special election absentee ballot applications and ballots are processed and sent under this chapter. If a voter entitled to receive an absentee ballot under this subsection subsequently files a voter registration application for a change of address within the same county or for a change of name or other information set forth in the voter's registration record, the previously approved absentee ballot application remains effective for the same period, unless the acknowledgment notice sent to the voter at that address is returned by the United States Postal Service due to an unknown or insufficient address in accordance with IC 3-7-33-5. If a voter entitled to receive an absentee ballot under this subsection subsequently files a voter registration application for an address that is not located in the same county, the voter must file a new absentee ballot application under this section with the appropriate county election board.

(f) Whenever a voter described in subsection (a)(2) files an application for a primary election absentee ballot and indicates on the application that the voter is an address confidentiality program participant, the application is an adequate application for a general election absentee ballot under this chapter



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and an absentee ballot for a special election conducted during the period that ends on December 31 following the date the application is filed. The circuit court clerk and county election board shall process this application and send general election and special election absentee ballots to the voter in the same manner as other general election and special election absentee ballot applications and ballots are processed and sent under this chapter.

(g) The name, address, telephone number, and any other identifying information relating to a program participant (as defined in IC 5-26.5-1-6) in the address confidentiality program, as contained in a voting registration record, is declared confidential for purposes of IC 5-14-3-4(a)(1). The county voter registration office may not disclose for public inspection or copying a name, an address, a telephone number, or any other information described in this subsection, as contained in a voting registration record, except as follows:

- (1) To a law enforcement agency, upon request.
- (2) As directed by a court order.

(h) The county election board shall by fax or electronic mail transmit an absentee ballot to and receive an absentee ballot from an absent uniformed services voter or an overseas voter by electronic mail or fax at the request of the voter indicated in the application filed under this section. If the voter wants to submit absentee ballots by fax or electronic mail, the voter must separately sign and date a statement submitted with the electronic mail or the fax transmission that states substantively the following: "I understand that by faxing or e-mailing my voted ballot I am voluntarily waiving my right to a secret ballot."

(i) The county election board shall send confirmation to a voter described in subsection (h) that the voter's absentee ballot has been received as follows:

- (1) If the voter provides a fax number to which a confirmation may be sent, the county election board shall send the confirmation to the voter at the fax number provided by the voter.
- (2) If the voter provides an electronic mail address to which a confirmation may be sent, the county election board shall send the confirmation to the voter at the electronic mail address provided by the voter.

(3) If:

- (A) the voter does not provide a fax number or an electronic mail address; or
- (B) the number or address provided does not permit the board to send the confirmation not later than the end of the first business day after the board receives the voter's absentee ballot;

the county election board shall send the confirmation by United States mail. The county election board shall send the confirmation required by this subsection not later than the end of the first business day after the county election board receives the voter's absentee ballot.

(j) Upon approval of the voter's absentee ballot application, a county election board shall transmit an absentee ballot to an absent uniformed services voter or an overseas voter by electronic mail under a program authorized and administered by the Federal Voting Assistance Program of the

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United States Department of Defense or directly to the voter at the voter's electronic mail address, if requested to do so by the voter. A voter described by this section may transmit the voted absentee ballot to a county election board by electronic mail. If a voter described in this section transmits the voted absentee ballot through the United States Department of Defense program, the ballot must be transmitted in accordance with the procedures established under that program. An electronic mail message transmitting a voted absentee ballot under this subsection must include a digital image of the voter's signature on the statement required under subsection (h).

[Pre-1986 Recodification Citation: 3-1-22-3 part.]

*As added by P.L.5-1986, SEC.7. Amended by P.L.6-1986, SEC.17; P.L.14-1987, SEC.3; P.L.10-1989, SEC.8; P.L.7-1990, SEC.43; P.L.8-1992, SEC.20; P.L.3-1997, SEC.274; P.L.273-2001, SEC.1; P.L.126-2002, SEC.51; P.L.1-2003, SEC.4; P.L.209-2003, SEC.113; P.L.198-2005, SEC.2; P.L.66-2010, SEC.14; P.L.225-2011, SEC.55; P.L.219-2013, SEC.36; P.L.128-2015, SEC.158; P.L.201-2017, SEC.28.*

### **IC 3-11-4-7 Uniformed services voters, overseas voters, and address confidentiality voters; requirements for application**

Sec. 7. (a) An absentee ballot application under section 6 of this chapter must be made on a standard form approved under 52 U.S.C. 20301(b) or on the form prescribed by the election division under section 5.1 of this chapter.

(b) An absentee ballot application under section 6 of this chapter from an:

- (1) absent uniformed services voter; or
  - (2) address confidentiality program participant (as defined in IC 5-26.5-1-6);
- must show that the voter or program participant is a resident otherwise qualified to vote in the precinct.

(c) An absentee ballot application under section 6 of this chapter from an overseas voter must show that the overseas voter was a resident and otherwise qualified to vote in the precinct where the voter resided before leaving the United States.

[Pre-1986 Recodification Citation: 3-1-22-3 part.]

*As added by P.L.5-1986, SEC.7. Amended by P.L.14-1987, SEC.4; P.L.3-1989, SEC.10; P.L.8-1992, SEC.21; P.L.2-1996, SEC.143; P.L.273-2001, SEC.2; P.L.126-2002, SEC.52; P.L.128-2015, SEC.159; P.L.169-2015, SEC.101.*

### **IC 3-11-4-8 Nonresident overseas voter; entitled to receive only federal ballots; precinct of voter**

Sec. 8. (a) This section applies to an overseas voter described in IC 3-5-2-34.5(3).

(b) An overseas voter who resides outside the United States and who is no longer a resident of a precinct in Indiana is only entitled to receive absentee ballots for a federal office under this chapter.

(c) A voter described in subsection (a) is considered to be a voter of the Indiana precinct where the voter registration office of the county where the

person was domiciled before leaving the United States is located.

[Pre-1986 Recodification Citation: 3-1-22-3.5(a).]

*As added by P.L.5-1986, SEC.7. Amended by P.L.14-1987, SEC.5; P.L.10-1989, SEC.9; P.L.7-1990, SEC.44; P.L.8-1992, SEC.22; P.L.3-1997, SEC.275; P.L.126-2002, SEC.53; P.L.66-2003, SEC.36; P.L.198-2005, SEC.3.*

**IC 3-11-7.5-24 County election board responsible for care and custody of voting systems when not in use**

Sec. 24. The county election board is responsible for the care and custody of all electronic voting systems while not in use.

*As added by P.L.3-1987, SEC.250. Amended by P.L.100-2018, SEC.4.*

**IC 3-11-7-20 County election board responsible for care and custody of voting systems when not in use**

Sec. 20. The county election board is responsible for the care and custody of all ballot card voting systems while not in use.

*As added by P.L.100-2018, SEC.3.*

**IC 3-11-8-1.2 "Facility" and "accessible facility"; facility standards**

Sec. 1.2. (a) As used in this section, "facility" refers to the facility in which a polling place is located.

(b) For purposes of this chapter, a facility is an "accessible facility" for elderly voters and voters with disabilities only if the following apply:

(1) The facility meets the standards for accessibility for elderly voters and voters with disabilities established under 52 U.S.C. 20101 through 52 U.S.C. 20107.

(2) All the following are accessible to elderly voters and voters with disabilities in a manner that provides the same opportunity for access and participation (including privacy and independence) as for other voters:

(A) Parking spaces marked and available to conform with IC 5-16-9.

(B) The path to the facility that an individual must travel on the property where the facility is located.

(C) The entrances of the facility to be used by voters.

(D) The paths of travel within the facility to the rooms or areas where the voting systems are located.

(E) The rooms or areas in the facility where the voting systems are located.

(c) The requirements of subsection (b) are satisfied if a facility will comply with subsection (b) by implementing temporary measures.

*As added by P.L.116-2003, SEC.3. Amended by P.L.128-2015, SEC.174.*

**IC 3-11-8-3.1 Designation of polls**

Sec. 3.1. (a) A county executive shall designate the polls for each precinct not less than twenty-nine (29) days before election day.

(b) The designation of a polling place under this section remains in effect until:

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- (1) the location of the polling place is altered by an order of the county executive or county election board under this chapter; or
- (2) a precinct establishment order issued under IC 3-11-1.5:
  - (A) designates a new polling place location; or
  - (B) combines the existing precinct with another precinct established by the order.

*As added by P.L.13-1988, SEC.8. Amended by P.L.4-1991, SEC.87; P.L.12-1995, SEC.81; P.L.3-1997, SEC.296; P.L.116-2003, SEC.6; P.L.225-2011, SEC.57.*

### **IC 3-11-8-3.4 County applications to Secretary of Health and Human Services to make polling places accessible and provide information to voters with disabilities**

Sec. 3.4. (a) As authorized under 52 U.S.C. 21021, a county election board may apply on behalf of a county to the Secretary of Health and Human Services for payments under HAVA (52 U.S.C. 21021 through 52 U.S.C. 21025) to do the following:

- (1) Make polling places (including the path of travel, entrances, exits, and voting areas of each polling place) more accessible to individuals with disabilities, including the blind and visually impaired, in a manner that provides the same opportunity for access and participation (including privacy and independence) as other voters.
- (2) Provide individuals with disabilities and other individuals described in subdivision (1) with information about the accessibility of polling places, including outreach programs to inform the individuals about the availability of accessible polling places and training election officials, poll workers, and election volunteers on how best to promote the access and participation of individuals with disabilities in elections.

(b) If a county election board submits an application under subsection (a), the application must:

- (1) comply with 52 U.S.C. 21023; and
- (2) be filed with the election division not later than the submission of the application under subsection (a).

(c) If a county election board receives payments from the Secretary of Health and Human Services under 52 U.S.C. 21021 through 52 U.S.C. 21025, the payments shall be deposited in the county general fund and appropriated to the county election board for the purposes described in the application. The county election board shall spend the money for the purposes described in the application.

(d) As required by 52 U.S.C. 21025, the county election board shall file a report with the Secretary of Health and Human Services regarding the activities conducted with these funds and the expenditures made with respect to the categories listed in subsection (a)(1) and (a)(2). The county election board shall file a copy of the report with the election division and the state board of accounts not later than the date the report is submitted under this subsection.

*As added by P.L.209-2003, SEC.128. Amended by P.L.128-2015, SEC.175.*

**IC 3-11-8-6 Requirement to locate polls in accessible facility**

Sec. 6. The county executive shall locate the polls for each precinct in an accessible facility.

[Pre-1986 Recodification Citation: 3-1-23-17(a), (c).]

*As added by P.L.5-1986, SEC.7. Amended by P.L.3-1987, SEC.252; P.L.10-1988, SEC.108; P.L.4-1991, SEC.88; P.L.2-1996, SEC.184; P.L.3-1997, SEC.298; P.L.38-1999, SEC.42; P.L.116-2003, SEC.8; P.L.225-2011, SEC.59.*

**IC 3-11.5-4-10 Late receipt of ballots**

Sec. 10. Subject to IC 3-10-8-7.5, IC 3-12-1-17, and section 7 of this chapter, absentee ballots received by mail (or by fax or electronic mail under IC 3-11-4-6) after noon on election day are considered as arriving too late and may not be counted.

*As added by P.L.3-1993, SEC.176 and P.L.19-1993, SEC.2. Amended by P.L.126-2002, SEC.83; P.L.198-2005, SEC.12; P.L.64-2014, SEC.63*

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### Indiana Democratic Party 2024 Delegate Selection Media Plan

As the Indiana Democratic Party (IDP) prepares for the upcoming 2024 Delegate Selection Process, below is an outline on how the IDP will ensure that all information and updates regarding the process are shared widely and in a timely manner.

- I. Dissemination of Critical DNC Information
  - A. As IDP receives critical information, announcements, and updates from the DNC, IDP will relay all of the above to the appropriate outlets to ensure it reaches a wide audience. We have a thorough, up-to-date press contact list that reaches every major media market throughout the state, including print and online news sources, television, and radio. The same information will be repurposed to share on social media, primarily through Facebook and Twitter.
  
- II. 2024 Outreach and Inclusion Plan Media Support
  - A. To help reach representation goals within the 2024 Delegate Selection Plan, IDP will work with the Affirmative Action Committee to develop messaging, marketing materials, and other forms of communication support to best reach the African American, Hispanic, Asian, Native American, Disabled, LGBTQ+, and young communities. This support also includes providing this information and materials to the media outlets that have high engagement within the aforementioned communities.
  
- III. Contacts at Indiana Democratic Party
  - A. Sam Barloga, sam@indems.org
  
- IV. Media Contacts
  - A. All media outlets to be contacted about the Delegate Selection Plan will be listed on the pages below. This includes print and electronic outlets, radio and television, as well as those servicing the Democratic Party's constituencies.

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**A LIST OF MEDIA OUTLETS TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE DELEGATE SELECTION PROCESS**

1. Electronic Media, Daily Newspapers, Television Stations, and Radio

<b>Electronic Media</b>	<b>City</b>
Associated Press	Indianapolis
Hannah News Service	Indianapolis
Howey Politics	Indianapolis
Importantville	Indianapolis
Indiana Capital Chronicle	Indianapolis
IndyPolitics.Org	Indianapolis
State Affairs Indiana	Indianapolis
<b>Daily Newspapers</b>	<b>City</b>
Banner-Graphic	Greencastle
Brazil Times	Brazil
Chesterton Tribune	Chesterton
Chronicle-Tribune	Grant
Connersville News-Examiner	Connersville
Daily Clintonian	Clinton
Daily Journal	Franklin
Daily Reporter	Greenfield
Decatur Daily Democrat	Decatur
Greensburg Daily News	Greensburg
Herald Journal	Monticello
Herald Republican	Steuben County
Huntington Herald-Press	Grant County
Journal & Courier	Lafayette
Journal Review	Crawfordsville
Kokomo Tribune	Kokomo
News Sun	Lake County
News-Banner	Blufton
Palladium-Item	Richmond
Paper of Montgomery County	Crawfordsville
Peru Tribune	Peru
Pharos-Tribune	Logansport
Princeton Daily Clarion	Clarion

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Rensselaer Republican	Jasper
Rochester Sentinel	Rochester
Shelbyville News	Shelbyville
South Bend Tribune	South Bend
Star	Auburn
Sullivan Daily Times	Sullivan
The Call-Leader	Elwood
The Commercial Review	Portland
The Courier-Times	New Castle
The Elkhart Truth	Elkhart
The Evansville Courier & Press	Evansville
The Goshen News	Goshen
The Herald	Jasper
The Herald Bulletin	Anderson
The Herald-Times	Bloomington
The Indianapolis Star	Indianapolis
The Journal Gazette	Fort Wayne
The La Porte Herald-Argus	La Porte
The Lebanon Reporter	Lebanon
The News and Tribune	Winchester
The News Gazette	Jeffersonville
The News-Dispatch	Michigan City
The News-Sentinel	Fort Wayne
The News-Times	Lake County
The Pilot-News	Plymouth
The Post & Mail	Columbia City
The Republic	Columbus
The Star Press	Muncie
The Times	Greater Northwest
The Times	Frankfort
The Tribune	Seymour
Times-Union	Warsaw
Tipton County Tribune	Tipton
Tribune Star	Terre Haute
Vincennes Sun-Commercial	Vincennes
Wabash Plain Dealer	Wabash
Washington Times-Herald	Washington



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<b>Television</b>	<b>City</b>
WANE-TV	Fort Wayne
WAWV-TV	Terre Haute
WEHT	Evansville
WEVV-TV	Evansville
WFFT-TV	Fort Wayne
WFIE	Evansville
WFWA	Fort Wayne
WFYI	Indianapolis
WHMB-TV	Indianapolis
WISH-TV	Indianapolis
WLFI-TV	Lafayette
WNDU-TV	South Bend
WNDY-TV	Marion
WPTA	Fort Wayne
WRTV	Indianapolis
WSBT-TV	South Bend
WTHI-TV	Terre Haute
WTHR	Indianapolis
WTTK	Kokomo
WTTV	Indianapolis
WTWO	Terre Haute
WVUT	Vincennes
WXIN	Indianapolis
WYIN	Gary

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<b>Radio</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Station</b>
WABX	Evansville	107.5 FM
WAJI	Fort Wayne	95.1 FM
WAMW	Washington	1580 AM
WAMW-FM	Washington	107.9 FM
WAOR	Ligonier	102.7 FM
WARU	Peru	1600 AM
WARU-FM	Roann	101.9 FM
WASK	Lafayette	1450 AM
WASK-FM	Battle Ground	98.7 FM
WAWC	Syracuse	103.5 FM
WAWK	Kendallville	1140 AM
WAXL	Santa Claus	103.3 FM
WBAA	West Lafayette	920 AM
WBAA-FM	West Lafayette	101.3 FM
WBCL	Fort Wayne	90.3 FM
WBNL	Boonville	1540 AM
WBOI	Fort Wayne	89.1 FM
WBTU	Kendallville	93.3 FM
WBYS	Woodburn	98.9 FM
WCBK-FM	Martinsville	102.3 FM
WCJC	Van Buren	99.3 FM
WCSI	Columbus	1010 AM
WERK	Muncie	104.9 FM
WFHB	Bloomington	91.3 FM
WFLQ	French Lick	100.1 FM
WFMS	Indianapolis	95.5 FM
WFYI-FM	Indianapolis	90.1 FM
WGCL	Bloomington	1370 AM
WGCS	Goshen	91.1 FM
WGL	Fort Wayne	1250 AM
WHBU	Anderson	1240 AM
WHHH	Indianapolis	96.3 FM
WIBC	Indianapolis	93.1 FM
WIMS	Michigan City	1420 AM
WINN	Columbus	104.9 FM

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WIOE-LP	Warsaw	98.3 FM
WJAA	Austin	96.3 FM
WKID	Vevay	95.9 FM
WKKG	Columbus	101.5 FM
WKOA	Lafayette	105.3 FM
WKVI	Knox	1520 AM
WKVI-FM	Knox	99.3 FM
WLAB	Fort Wayne	88.3 FM
WLDE	Fort Wayne	101.7 FM
WLKI	Angola	100.3 FM
WMEE	Fort Wayne	97.3 FM
WMPI	Scottsburg	105.3 FM
WNIN-FM	Evansville	88.3 FM
WNSN	South Bend	101.5 FM
WORX-FM	Madison	96.7 FM
WOWO	Fort Wayne	1190 AM
WOWO-FM	Fort Wayne	92.3 FM
WPGW	Portland	1440 AM
WPGW-FM	Portland	100.9 FM
WRAY	Princeton	1250 AM
WRAY-FM	Princeton	98.1 FM
WRBI	Batesville	103.9 FM
WRZR	Loogootee	94.5 FM
WSAL	Logansport	1230 AM
WSBT	South Bend	960 AM
WSWI	Evansville	820 AM
WTCA	Plymouth	1050 AM
WTHD	Lagrange	105.5 FM
WTTS	Bloomington	92.3 FM
WUME-FM	Paoli	95.3 FM
WUZR	Bicknell	105.7 FM
WVPE	Elkhart	88.1 FM
WVUB	Vincennes	91.1 FM
WXKE	Churubusco	96.3 FM
WXKU-FM	Austin	92.7 FM
WYXB	Indianapolis	105.7 FM

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### 2. Constituency and Specialty Media Outlets and Targeted Groups

<b>Television</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>	<b>City</b>
Telemundo Indy (Ch. 19)	Hispanic/Latino	Indianapolis

<b>Electronic</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>	<b>City</b>
HOLA	Hispanic/Latino	Evansville
Indy Asia America Times	Asian American	Indianapolis
IndyPride	LGBTQ+	Indianapolis
NUVO	All	Indianapolis

<b>Radio</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Station</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>
1460 AM	Goshen	WKAM	Hispanic/Latino

<b>Print Media</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>	<b>City</b>
Columbus Chinese Association Distribution list	Asian American	Columbus
El Mexicano	Hispanic/Latino	Fort Wayne
El Puente	Hispanic/Latino	Goshen
Frost Illustrated	African American	Ft. Wayne
Gary Crusader	African American	Gary
La Voz de Indiana	Hispanic/Latino	Indianapolis
The Indianapolis Recorder	African American	Indianapolis

<b>College Papers</b>	<b>College/University</b>
Campus Insider Newspaper	Ivy Tech
Indiana Statesman	Indiana State University
The Andersonian	Anderson University
The Butler Collegian	Butler University
The DePauw	DePauw
The Observer	Notre Dame
The Shield	University of Southern Indiana
The Torch	Valparaiso University
The Online Reflector	University of Indianapolis
Ball State Daily	Ball State University

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Campus Citizen	Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI)
The Exponent	Purdue University
Indiana Daily Student	Indiana University