

25 Pa.C.S. § 1222 ~ SURE System

c) Requirements.-The SURE system shall be developed as a single, uniform integrated computer system. All commissions shall be connected electronically to the SURE system and shall maintain their registration records in the system. The SURE system shall, at a minimum, do all of the following:

(1) Contain a database of all registered electors in this Commonwealth.

13) **Permit the timely printing and transmission by commissions of district registers and all other information contained in the system as may be necessary for the operation of the polling places on election days.** *(official poll books generated from SURE)*

(20) **Identify registered electors who vote in an election and the method by which their ballots were cast.**

(e) Implementation.-The department shall implement the SURE system as soon as possible. Upon being connected, **each commission shall be required to use the SURE system as its general register.**

25 Pa.C.S. § 3154 ~ Computation of Returns and Certification

(b) It shall be the duty of each board of registration commissioners in each county, before the time fixed for the county board to convene for purpose of computing and canvassing returns of any primary or election, to certify to said county board the total registration of each election district within its jurisdiction, and the enrollment of each district by political parties at primaries. **The county board, before computing the votes cast in any election district, shall compare said registration and enrollment figures with the certificates returned by the election officers showing the number of persons who voted in each district or the number of ballots cast.** If, upon consideration by said return board of the returns before it from any election district and the certificates aforesaid, it shall appear that the total vote returned for any candidate or candidates for the same office or nomination or on any question exceeds the number of registered or enrolled electors in said election district **or exceeds the total number of persons who voted in said election district or the total number of ballots cast therein**, or, if it shall appear that the total number of partisan votes returned for any candidate or candidates for the same office or nomination at any primary exceeds the number of electors registered or enrolled in said district as members of that political party, or exceeds the total number of persons belonging to that party who voted in said district or the total number of ballots of that party cast therein, **in any such case, such excess shall be deemed a discrepancy and palpable error, and shall be investigated by the return board, and no votes shall be recorded from such district until such investigation shall be had...**

25 Pa.C.S. § 3031.13 ~ Post Election Procedures

(a) As soon as the polls have been closed and the last elector has voted in districts having an electronic voting system which employs paper ballots or ballot cards, and district tabulation is provided for, the **number of such ballots issued to electors** (at primary elections, the number issued to the electors of each party) **and the number of ballots** (at primaries the number of ballots of each party), **if any, spoiled and returned by voters and cancelled**, shall be announced to all present in the polling place and entered on the general returns of votes cast at such primary or election. The district election officers shall then **compare the number of names marked as voting in the district register**, "Voting Check List" and numbered lists of voters, shall announce the result, and shall **enter on the general returns the number of electors who have voted**, as shown by the "Voter's Check List." **Any differences which exist shall be reconciled where possible, and where reconciliation is not possible such differences shall be noted on the general returns.**

(Reconcile the number of ballots to the number of people who voted.)

25 Pa.C.S. § 1402(f) ~District Registers

(f) Examination.--Immediately following each election, the commission shall cause each district register to be examined. The commission specifically shall compare the signature of each elector on each voter's certificate with his signature in the district register and shall report in writing to the district attorney any evidence or indication of probable fraud, impersonation or forgery which may appear to the commission by reason of the comparison.

(“So that the commissions may review the accuracy of both the district and general registers after each election.”)

Source: www.dos.pa.gov/VotingElections/Documents

Mail Ballots & Absentee Ballots Must Be Treated in the Same or Similar Manner. The only way to determine the number of voters who voted via Mail is by using the general register which is the SURE System.



Counting and Recording Absentee Ballots

In order to assure compliance with all provisions of the Election Code, especially sections 1113-A, 1115-A, 1226 and 1308 of the Election Code, 25 P.S. §§ 3031.13, 3031.15, 3066 & 3146.8, county boards of elections shall **not, at any time**, manually enter absentee ballots into an electronic voting system, including the time after the voting system has been locked against voting at the closing of the polls.

THE COUNTING AND RECORDING OF VOTES CAST ON ABSENTEE BALLOTS MUST BE COUNTED AND RECORDED SEPARATELY FROM BUT IN A LIKE OR SIMILAR MANNER AS THE VOTES CAST ON ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEMS.