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## **Secretary of State Bruce McPherson Grants Certification for Voting System**

### ***Sequoia Voting System Approved for Use in California Elections***

SACRAMENTO, CA - Secretary of State Bruce McPherson announced today his decision to certify the Sequoia voting system for use in California elections. The system met all federal and state requirements and passed a first-in-the-nation volume test. The Sequoia voting system was discussed at a public hearing held on March 1 prior to granting certification.

"As with any voting system certified for use in the state of California, the Sequoia system underwent the most rigorous scrutiny period," said Secretary McPherson. "I am proud of California's strict process, which ensures that our voting systems uphold the integrity of each and every vote on Election Day."

The current voting system certification process was established by Secretary McPherson shortly after taking office in 2005. The certification process requires that each voting system meet ten strict standards as conditions for use in the State's elections, including volume testing to ensure systems withstand real-world Election Day scenarios.

For more information about Sequoia's certification visit  
[http://www.ss.ca.gov/elections/elections\\_vs.htm](http://www.ss.ca.gov/elections/elections_vs.htm).

For more information about California's certification process, visit the Secretary of State's website at  
[http://www.ss.ca.gov/elections/voting\\_systems/ten\\_steps\\_to\\_vsys\\_certification.pdf](http://www.ss.ca.gov/elections/voting_systems/ten_steps_to_vsys_certification.pdf).