

Your right to vote is perhaps the most valuable civil right as a citizen of the United States of America. **It should be protected.**

On March 5, 2012, the Pennsylvania State Legislature passed a law requiring all voters to present a valid ID at the time of voting. We want to make sure you are prepared with the required identification that will allow you to exercise your **right to vote.**

What Identification (ID) do I need?

Many of you already have required ID which includes: a current, valid PA state driver's license or other PA-issued ID, U.S. military ID, unexpired Passport, or ID from an accredited Pennsylvania public or private institution of higher learning. Employees of a Municipality or a licensed PA care-facility may use their employee IDS.

Please note that a valid form of identification **MUST** include: first and last name (to match the name listed in the voting registry); a photo; and expiration date (unless your ID is issued by the PA Department of Transportation which can be no more than 12 months past the expiration date).

In cases where IDs do not have an expiration date, there must be a notation on it stating why there isn't an expiration date. College and/or graduate students who have IDs without expiration dates will NOT BE PERMITTED TO VOTE.

What can I do if I don't have a proper ID?

The easiest remedy is to obtain a Pennsylvania Voter Identification card. If you have internet access, visit the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation's website (www.dot.state.pa.us). On the right margin of the homepage under "News and Media," click on the link labeled "New Voter ID Law." You will then need to fill out "Application for an Initial Photo Identification Card" (DL-54A).

Take the completed form to a Pennsylvania Department of Transportation Driver's License Center. Also take with you your Social Security Card and one (1) of the following: Certificate of US Citizenship; Certificate of Naturalization; Valid US passport; or a Birth Certificate with a raised seal **PLUS** two (2) proofs of residency, such as lease agreements, current utility bills, mortgage documents, a W-2 form, and tax records.

If you do not have access to a computer, please visit your local library or other community non-profits that provide assistance with voter ID registration.

For additional information or to identify requirements for particular situations, you may check online (www.dot.state.pa.us) or call 1-800-932-4600.

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE!