

TAB Releases Survey Results on Proposed Texas Election Reforms

AUSTIN – The Texas Association of Business (TAB) today released the survey results on Texas election reforms currently being considered by the Texas legislature. The poll was conducted by Baseline & Associates on behalf of TAB’s membership.

“These survey results show that voters support ease of voting, ballot security and uniformity across the state, while opposing the federal government dictating election laws in Texas,” said Baseline CEO and President, Mike Baseline.

“As state leaders work to achieve even greater security and participation in the electoral process, the Texas business community encourages the legislature to work in a bipartisan fashion to meet these goals,” said TAB CEO, Glenn Hamer.

Below are the key findings from the poll. To view the entire poll, click here <link>.

- 95% of Texas voters found it easy to vote in the last several elections.
- 88% believe voting procedures should be uniform across the state.
- 93% favor requiring polling places to be equally spread out within the county based on the number of eligible voters within each area or precinct.
- By nearly a four-to-one ratio, voters support efforts to make it easier (64%) versus harder to vote (17%).
- 89% support allowing a person who is in line when the polls close to still get to vote during the early voting process as well as on Election Day.
- 82% favor expanding the minimum hours for in-person voting during the early vote period from eight hours to nine hours during the first week of early voting and continues twelve hours of voting during the second week of early voting.
- 84% favor mandating a 12-hour maximum window for Election Day voting between 6am and 9pm, which expands the hours allowed under current law.
- 85% believe there should be a paper record of every vote cast so that there is a backup copy of each electronic machine ballot that is cast.
- 85% believe signatures on mail-in ballots should be verified to make sure they match the signature of the voter.
- 65% do not believe election law should be federalized and do not want U.S. Congress to dictate Texas election law.

This survey was conducted April 22-25, 2021, among N=501 likely voters in Texas. The margin of error to the results of this survey is + 4.4% at the .95 confidence level. 66% of the interviews were conducted by cell phone, and 34% were conducted by landline.