

## <u>How Louisiana Keeps</u> <u>Election Day Voting Safe</u>

- Programming and program testing is done only by certified staff of the Secretary of State's office.
- Programming is hand delivered to the Secretary of State election machine warehouses.
- Secretary of State staff loads election files onto equipment.
- Secretary of State staff test and seal equipment. This process is open to the public.
- Secretary of State staff and the Parish Board of Election Supervisors verify the public and protective counters on each machine.
- Secretary of State staff run zero reports on the equipment used to read machine cartridges on election night. This equipment is air-gapped (not connected to the internet).
- Trained commissioners keep watch at each polling location.
- At the conclusion of the election, results at each polling place are printed and posted for the public. A second copy of the results tape is delivered to the Clerk of Court.
- Results are transferred over a secure, private, monitored network to the Secretary of State's office.
- After each transfer of results, the Clerk of Court verifies the correct results were posted to the Secretary of State's website.
- The unofficial results that are posted to the Secretary of State's website are replicated to prevent manipulation of the original, unofficial results.
- Voters must show a photo ID.
- At the end of each election, an audit is performed. The number of signatures in each poll book at each polling location is compared with the public and protective counters.

## Louisiana Secretary of State Nancy Landry