



Accessible Voting Technology Initiative

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Military Heroes Summary of Results

The needs of recently wounded service members and veterans are similar

Technology solutions will be ineffective without corresponding policy solutions

Newly injured service members have little to no experience with assistive technologies

Current accessibility solutions might not be optimal

Ballot design issues are at least as important as ballot delivery and marking issues

Characteristic injuries impact memory and attention

Complexity is a barrier for many

Need for further research to address needs of those with cumulative mTBI / TBI / PTSD injuries

Collected data from users with disabilities, voting system testing vendors, voting system designers, voting data exchange experts (P1622), and election officials

People with disabilities may not be able to participate independently in the electoral process due to:

- Difficulty using existing voting systems
- Lack of accommodation of 'hidden disabilities'
- Usability issues with paper ballots and DREs
- Lack of scientific data to support selection of design features
- Complexity and expense of setting up and configuring accessible technologies

Can a low cost tablet be adapted to interface with the Military Heroes Voting Test Bed to research voting accessibility and usability?

Tablet Test Bed Interface Tablet Layout

President and Vice President

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Vote for one

- Joseph Barchi** and Joseph Hallaren
Blue
- Adam Cramer** and Greg Vuocolo
Yellow
- Daniel Court** and Amy Blumhardt
Purple
- Alvin Boone** and James Lian
Orange
- Austin Hildebrand-Macdougall** and James Garritty
Pink
- Martin Patterson** and Clay Lariviere
Gold
- Elizabeth Harp** and Antoine Jefferson
Gray
- Charles Layne** and Andrew Kowalski
Aqua
- Marzena Pazgier** and Welton Phelps
Brown

Proposed Constitutional Amendment C

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Shall there be amendments to the State constitution intended to have the collective effect of ensuring the separation of governmental power among the three branches of state government: the legislative branch, the executive branch and the judicial branch?

a. Article III, Section 6 of the Constitution shall be amended to read as follows:

Section 6. Holding of offices under other governments. Senators and representatives are not to hold other appointed offices under state government. No person holding any office under the government of the United states, or of any other state or country, shall act as a general officer or as a member of the general assembly, unless at the time of taking such engagement that person shall have resigned the office under such government; and if any general officer, engagement, accept any appointment under any other government, the office under this shall be immediately vacated; but this restriction shall not apply to any person appointed to take deposition or acknowledgment of deeds, or other legal instruments, by the authority of any other state or country.

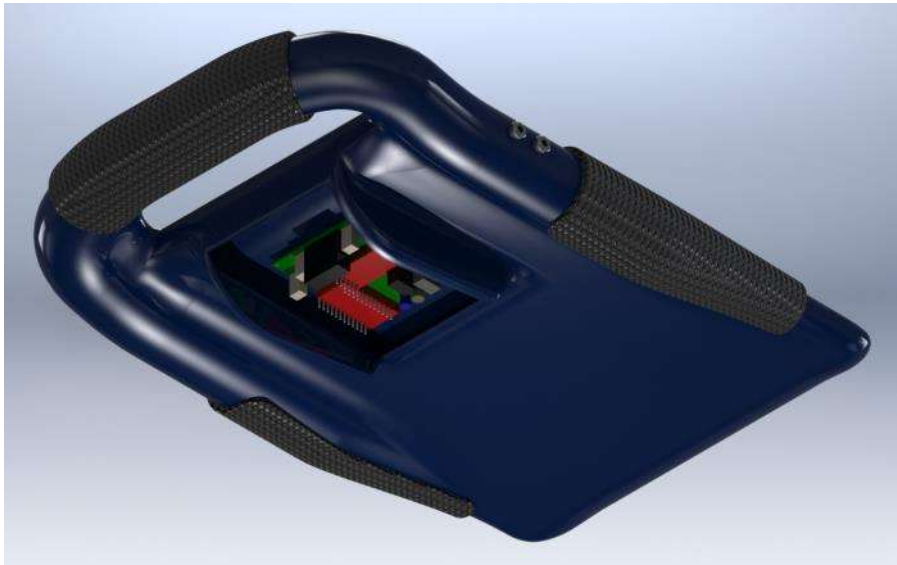
No senator or representative shall, during the time for which he or she was elected, be appointed to any state office, board, commission or other state or quasi-public entity exercising executive power under the laws of this state, and no person holding any executive office or serving as a member of any board, commission or other state or quasi-public entity exercising executive power under the laws of this state shall be a member of the senate or the house of representatives during his or her continuance in such office.

b. Article V of the Constitution shall be amended to read as follows: The power of the

Yes

No

Tablet Test Bed Interface Rendering

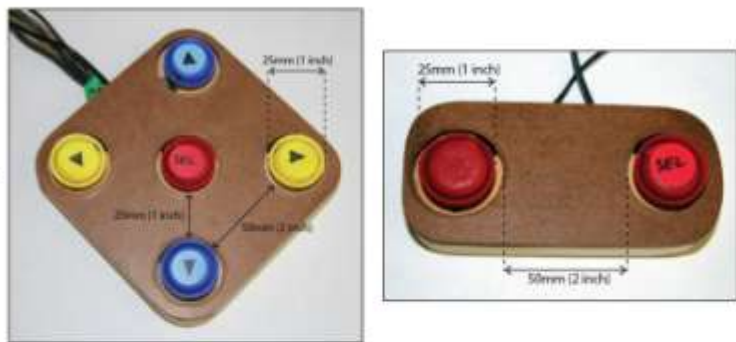


Tablet Test Bed Interface Rendering



Ballot Design and Interface Research

- Previously tested a young adult population
- Currently evaluating older adults, adults with arthritis, and adults with other disabilities



5-button vs. 2-button



Collected eye-tracking, timing, and selection data, as well as system usability survey



Scroll

vs.



Column

vs.



Multi-page

- **Dyslexia Font Usability Study**
 - To evaluate different dyslexia fonts that have been developed for the web: OpenDyslexia and Lexicon
 - Determine whether these dyslexia fonts assist people with dyslexia in the voting process.
 - Recruit 16 participants with dyslexia, and 16 age and gender matched control group.
 - Currently being executed. Anticipated completion June 30, 2013.

Helvetica Font

Shelley Handy

OpenDyslexic Font

Shelley Handy

Lexicon Font

Shelley Handy

- Use of Plain Language (PL) in Spanish and Chinese
 - Replication of NIST PL study (NISTIR 7556) in both Spanish and Chinese languages
 - Investigate the following:
 - Do participants vote more accurately on PL or traditional ballot?
 - Do they perform better on traditional ballot if they voted the PL ballot first?
 - Is education a factor in performance on either ballots?

Hello World
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Thank You!



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