2023 Election Supporting Technology Evaluation Program (ESTEP)
What is ESTEP?

Created to evaluate security and accessibility of election supporting technologies

EPBs, E-ballot delivery, VR portals, & ENR databases

- Creation of draft standards that can be used by VSTLs
  - Creation of program manuals
- Administration and reporting results of pilot programs
- Produce election technology standards similar to VVSG
Electronic Pollbook (EPB) Testing and Certification

- 11 (22%) states do not use EPBs
- 14 (28%) states use EPBs but do not require T&C
- 25 (50%) states use EPBs and require T&C

Source: 2022 EAVS Reporting
2022 ESTEP

- Created EPB testing requirements
- Created EPB pilot artifacts
- Contact both VSTLs for EPB pilot availability
- Worked with and updated stakeholders on EBP pilot (NIST, CIS, NASS, & NASED)
- Finalized testing requirements and vendor agreements by incorporating stakeholder feedback
ESTEP Next Steps

• Share testing requirements and recruit EPB Vendors
• Schedule and Conduct EPB testing
• Develop requirements for the next system to pilot
• Gather reports and feedback from the labs and EPB pilot participants

• Produce EAC Voluntary EPB Pilot Program Report
• Create a set of EPB recommendations/develop standards
• Establish a formal EPB program handbook, agreements, etc.
• Commissioners vote on policy to establish a formal EPB program

• Recruit the pilot participants for next system to test
• Conduct pilot
• Gather reports and feedback from the labs and vendor participants
Questions?