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**From:** Kathryn Isenberger [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 14, 2015 10:18 AM  
**To:** SoS Rulemaking  
**Subject:** Internet Voting - Please NO!

Dear Secretary Williams,

You reiterated your experience in running elections with integrity and security while on the campaign trail and it resonated strongly with Colorado voters. I've heard you explain your plan for internet voting on talk radio and it sounds like you are confident that election integrity and security will not be compromised. However, internet voting, even restricted to a narrow portion of the electorate, is not resonating with Colorado voters and I urge you not to approve it. As with all good intentions, it's a nose under the tent to expanded use which will quickly destroy what declining amount of trust the electorate has in election integrity. All mail ballots, same-day voter registration, election rules no longer able to be enforced by your office, etc. have severely lessened election integrity. Internet voting seems to me to be another nail in that coffin – I'm for going back to all poll voting – the good 'ole days.

You specifically cite deployed military as the necessity for internet voting. Our son was in Afghanistan during several elections and internet voting as you describe would not work because he did not have the equipment to print, sign, and scan the ballot. I was surprised when he said he couldn't scan from his base – but what seems so common to most Americans, is not necessarily available to deployed military personnel. What DID work was being sent his ballot early to us at his home address, we sent it to him at his APO address, and he sent it to the Clerk & Recorder, via FREE POSTAGE. I was pleased to learn that ballots are mailed free for all deployed military personnel. I checked with the Jefferson County Clerk and confirmed that yes, his ballot was received and counted.

ExPats and overseas traveling Americans can figure out how to vote without adopting internet voting – i.e absentee ballots, early voting. Voting should take some effort as it is a precious right of citizenship – citizens should care enough about candidates and issues to make what small effort it now takes to vote by mail. Internet voting reduces the effort needed to vote and I urge you not to implement it.

Thank you and Sincerely,

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