Executive Director's Report

April 27, 2011

Meeting of the

Beaufort County
Board of Elections and Registration

H. 3911 vs. S. 848 (Early Voting)

H. 3911

- Begins 11 days prior / ends 3 days prior (8 voting days)
- Only one Early Voting Center
 - Must be at VR Office

- <u>S. 848</u>
- Begins 8 days prior / ends 3 days prior (6 voting days)
- 1 to 3 Early Voting Centers
 - Location(s) determined by CEC
 - Possibility of 2 additional

- Same-day registration allowed
 - Early voting only
- Absentee laws not addressed
- In House Judiciary Election Laws Subcommittee
 - Scheduled to be heard 4/28/11

- Registration laws unchanged
- Absentee laws remain virtually unchanged
 - Introduced without reference and passed second reading on Senate floor - 4/27/11

Other Election Law Legislation

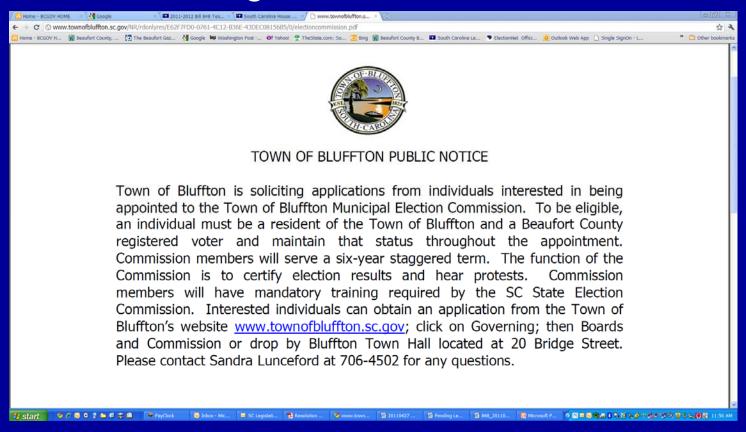
- H. 3003 Photo ID / Early Vetting
 - Conference Committee on 4/20/11 produced a new version of the bill which:
 - Provides greater fidelity on definition of "domicile"
 - Removes all references to early voting
 - Requires "valid and current" photo IDs to vote, which must be:
 - Voter Registration card
 - SC Drivers License
 - Other form of photo ID issued by SC DMV'
 - Passport
 - Military ID
 - Specifies that "any address listed on the ID card is not determinative of an elector's domicile for the purpose of voting."
- House passed 71-36 . . . Senate action pending

Other Election Law Legislation

- H. 464 Paper Receipts from iVo machines
 - Requires voting machines to print paper receipt to be used only in the event of a recount
 - Testified at House Judiciary Subcommittee hearing on 4/14/11 to explain why bill is not feasible
 - No change to status of bill...subcommittee did not report the bill out in any form
 - Started a larger conversation regarding life cycle and replacement of current machines

Bluffton Election Commission

- Ordinance passed final reading 4/12/11
- Now soliciting for commissioners



City of Beaufort Special Election

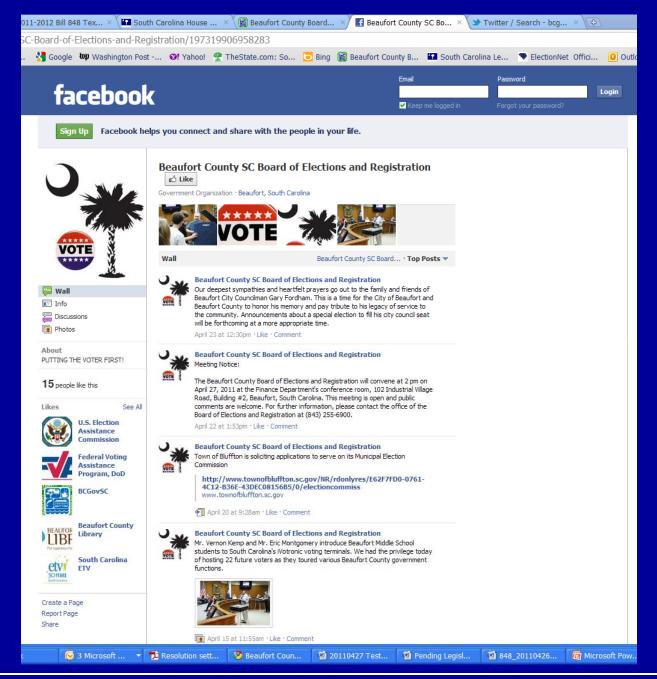
- City Council vacancy death of elected official
- Filing closes June 4, 2011
- Election date July 19, 2011
- Number of voters eligible ~6,876
- More details will be forthcoming

Social Media

- Why we need to use it . . .
 - Gives voters / public an additional means of mining information we want them to have
 - Allows us to "push" information instead of relying on voters to "pull" it
- Mediums used so far

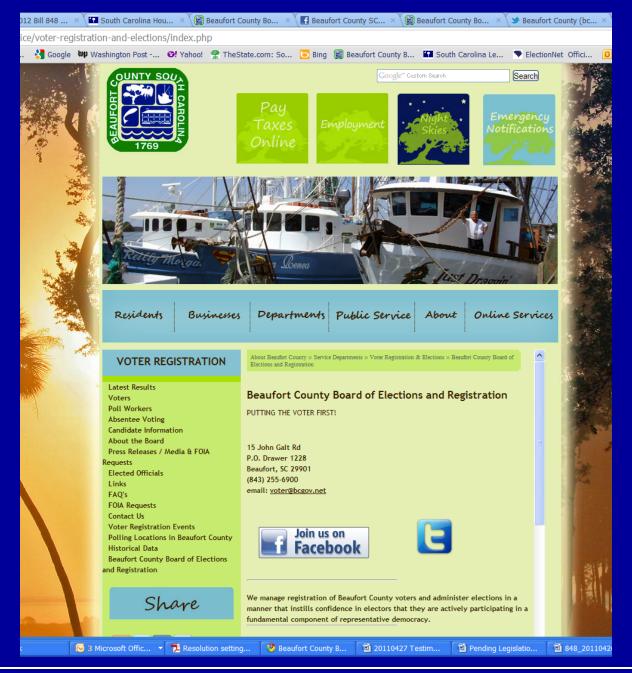








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