

INDEPENDENT VOTERS

**AND THE PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE
ELECTION**

INDEPENDENT VOTERS ON THE RISE

2008 PRES. PREF.

- ❖ 646,356 Republicans
- ❖ 467,852 Democrats
- ❖ **432,633 Independents**
- ❖ 44,022 Provisional ballots
- ❖ 23,382 Prov. ballots not counted

17,112 Not eligible to vote in 2008

2012 PRES. PREF.

- ❖ 701,675 Republicans
- ❖ 516,273 Democrats
- ❖ **627,201 Independents**
- ❖ 11,608 Provisional ballots
- ❖ 5,671 Prov. Ballots not counted

4,518 Not eligible to vote in 2012

- ✓ Registered but too young
- ✓ Registered too late
- ✓ **INDEPENDENTS**



2016 INDEPENDENT DATA*

693,192 Republicans

513,637 Democrats

2,102 Greens

739,976 Independents

415,177 of active registered
independent voters are on PEVL

301 of active registered
independents are UOCAVA voters

*Data as of 02/09/2016

WHAT CAN WE EXPECT?

- Possible increase in provisional ballots
- Possible lines at the polls
- Voter confusion
 - Primary versus PPE?
- Party changes



WHAT CAN WE DO?

- Community outreach
- Voter Registration – New registrants - explain
- Post information on website
- Social Media
- Team up with Clean Elections

PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE IMPORTANT DATES

- Voter registration cutoff
 - February 22, 2016
- Early Voting begins
 - February 24, 2016
- Last day to request an early ballot
 - March 11, 2016



**PROPOSED
LEGISLATION
FOR PPE**

2016 LEGISLATIVE BILLS PERTAINING TO THE PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE ELECTION

- HB2567 – Presidential Preference Election; Appropriation; Repeal
 - Sponsor Gowan
- SBI027 – Presidential Preference Election; Independent Voters
 - Sponsor: Quezada, Andrade
- SBI486 – Presidential Preference Election; Approp; Repeal
 - Sponsors: Biggs, S Allen, E Farnsworth, Griffin, Shooter, Smith, Yarbrough, Yee

HB2567

Presidential Preference
Election; Appropriation;
Repeal

- Amends ARS §§ 16-168, 16-193
- Repeals ARS §§ 16-241, 16-242 and 16-244 thru 16-250
- Appropriates funding for 2016 PPE

SENATE BILLS 1027 & 1486

- SBI486
 - Amends ARS §§ 16-168, 16-193 & 16-602
 - Repeals ARS §§ 16-241, 16-242 and 16-244 thru 16-250
 - Appropriates funding for 2016 PPE
- Will be heard by the Committee on Government 2/10 @ 2 PM – Senate Hearing Room 3
- SBI027
 - Amends 16-241
 - Allows Independents to vote in the PPE
 - 1st & 2nd reads were done a month ago
 - No movement

QUESTIONS?



THANK YOU!