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**District of Columbia Board of Elections joins Electronic Registration
Information Center**

*Online registration, early voting expansion and e-pollbooks
all a part of BOE's Election Modernization Project*

WASHINGTON, DC - The District of Columbia Board of Elections (DCBOE) today announced its membership in the [Electronic Registration Information Center](#) (ERIC), a non-profit organization created to improve the accuracy of voter rolls and increase voter registration access nationwide.

"Membership in ERIC is a valuable tool in our efforts to modernize and improve District elections," said Clifford D. Tatum, DCBOE Executive Director. "Voters frequently move between the District, Maryland, and Virginia, and sometimes forget to update their information. Using ERIC, we can now crosscheck our registration lists with our closest neighbors and other member jurisdictions on a frequent basis."

The District is the eighth jurisdiction to partner with ERIC. In January, Oregon became the ninth state to join, with Ohio slated to join later this year. Since its inception in 2012, ERIC partners have seen not only increases in new voter registrations, but also reductions in existing voter registration anomalies. The end result is a more efficient and cost effective election process.

"ERIC has been successful in helping Delaware remove voters from our rolls when they register in other states," said Elaine Manlove, Delaware State Election Commissioner. "Our Election Commission is excited to have the District join ERIC and receive the same benefits. Our regional partnership with Maryland and Virginia is even stronger now with the addition of DCBOE."

Joining ERIC is an important component of DCBOE's 2014 Election Modernization Project (EMP). Other EMP initiatives include expansion of early voting from eight to thirteen locations, enhancing online voter registration, adding more electronic voting machines, and deploying e-pollbooks at all polling places for the April 1 Primary election. In the coming weeks, military and overseas District voters will have the opportunity to register online and request an absentee ballot via "DC Vote," a new mobile application.

For more information on the April 1 Primary, polling locations, online registration, and other election updates, voters are encouraged to visit dcboee.org.

The District of Columbia Board of Elections is the independent agency of the District government responsible for the administration of elections, ballot access, and voter registration.

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