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## **Illinois Military and Overseas Voters, Return your Ballot for the February 2, 2010 State Primary Now!**

**Illinois will hold its State primary election on Tuesday, February 2, 2010.** If you requested your ballot and have not received it, submit the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB).

If you are eligible to vote in this election, and requested and received a ballot for the November 4, 2008 presidential election, you should have received an absentee ballot by now, unless your mailing address has changed.

If you have not requested your ballot for this election, it may be too late. Find out by referring to FVAP News Release #18 available at [www.fvap.gov/global/news/nr18-2009.html](http://www.fvap.gov/global/news/nr18-2009.html).

### **Vote your FWAB**

You may download a FWAB at [www.FVAP.gov](http://www.FVAP.gov) or get a FWAB from your installation/embassy/consulate voting assistance office. To complete the FWAB's Voter's Declaration/Affirmation correctly, follow the Illinois instructions at [www.fvap.gov/FWAB/fwab-il.html](http://www.fvap.gov/FWAB/fwab-il.html), or in the *2010-11 Voting Assistance Guide*. To complete the ballot, use the official candidate list at the Illinois State Board of Elections website at: [www.elections.il.gov/ElectionInformation/SelectSearchType.aspx?id=28](http://www.elections.il.gov/ElectionInformation/SelectSearchType.aspx?id=28)

### **Return Your FWAB Immediately by Mail!**

Fold and place the voted ballot in the security envelope and seal. Insert the sealed security envelope and the completed, signed and dated Voter's Declaration/Affirmation into the mailing envelope and mail the ballot directly to your local election office. Addresses can be found at [www.fvap.gov/contact/addresses/iladdr.html](http://www.fvap.gov/contact/addresses/iladdr.html).

Your State ballot or FWAB must be received by your local election office by **7 pm February 2, 2010 or by February 16, 2010 if postmarked February 1, 2010.**

If you receive the regular State ballot after submitting the FWAB, vote and return it immediately! If both ballots are received by the deadline, only the regular State ballot will be counted.

**For More Information:** Go to the Illinois election website at: [www.elections.il.gov](http://www.elections.il.gov) or visit FVAP at: [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov).

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