

Purpose and Responsibilities of the Language Accessibility Advisory Committee (LAAC)

The Language Accessibility Advisory Committee (LAAC) was established to advise the Secretary of State (SOS) on issues related to language accessibility of elections and election materials. The mission of the LAAC is to advise and assist the SOS with implementation of federal and state laws relating to access to the electoral process by voters with limited-English proficiency, so that all persons who vote can understand the voting process. The LAAC also provides recommendations identifying and prioritizing activities, programs, and policies to ensure every voter has equal access to the ballot.

The responsibilities of the committee include:

1. Providing expertise on language accessibility issues.
2. Promoting language accessibility initiatives.
3. Answering Secretary of State questions regarding language accessibility issues.