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Citizens,

Here is today's rap sheet of ongoing election crimes that threaten our democracy.

- * *Read these alerts everyday*
 - * *Learn about the crisis we face*
 - * *Pass this on to educate others*
- and*
**TAKE ACTION TO STOP
THE ASSAULT!**



*Today's Crime Against Democracy: **Voting Machine Sleepovers***

Voting equipment 'sleepover' refers to the practice of election officials distributing voting equipment to poll workers in advance of the election. During these sleepovers, the voting machines are unsecured, subject to access by innumerable neighbors, strangers and family members, and stored without records or proof of actual chain of custody, eliminating the ability of any person to detect whether or not fraud or improper access to the voting machines has occurred.



*History, Suspects & Perps: **Lax Security Procedures Cast Doubts on Results***

Although voting machine sleepovers is a common practice across the country, the problems posed by this practice were not widely known until the June 2006 special election for California's House District 50 seat. According to VoteTrustUSA, in the June 2006 special election to fill Rep. Randy "Duke" Cunningham's vacant US House seat representing California's 50th District, volunteer pollworkers were allowed to take Diebold voting machines home as much as **two weeks before the election**. This year Given this egregious violation of chain-of-custody procedures, its no wonder that the accuracy of the election has been called into question.

Background Check: Learn the Crime History, Routines, & Rackets

[Hear Brad Friedman on "Sleepovers"](#)

[Sleepover in San Diego?](#)

[Letters from Pollworkers Express Disbelief \(Brad Blog\)](#)

[Election lawyer to file legal contest in California congressional race](#)

Action & Prevention: Take Steps to Expose & Record Chain of Custody Violations

1. Contact your county election officials to find out if they plan to send pollworkers home with voting equipment.
2. If so, call both of the following election hotlines and advise them of potential breach of election equipment security procedures in your county.
3. The best election observation is or can be done by pollworkers. Protect election integrity from inside the system by [signing up to be a pollworker](#).



Nationwide Election Protection Hotline:
1-866-OUR-VOTE (1-866-687-8683)

Voting Rights Institute Hotline:
1-888-DEMVote (1-888-336-8683)

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