ELECTION ISSUES

- Change the date of the primary election

- Should the primaries be run by the state at all or should they be strictly a party function? Should it be the same for all major parties?

- Count write in candidates only for those who declare their candidacy

- Announce unofficial election results

- Repeal the sunset on mobile polling station pilots thus allowing them to continue

- Allow election officials not of the same party to transport ballots for a recount rather than have them transported by state police

- If the losing candidate loses by less than 2% (was 5) the losing candidate shall have the right to have votes recounted

- In a recount, allow the candidate to request a recount by optical scanner rather than hand count

- Training with consequences — require the town clerk and each regular presiding election officer to attend training every two years.

  o   Elected town clerk would not be eligible to run for reelection if didn't attend

  o   Appointed town clerk would not be eligible for reappointment if don't attend

- Allow towns to open the official polls four days before an election

- Make ballots a public document that will make election results open to the scrutiny of the public

- Instant runoff voting for the governor's race Election Day Registration

- Appropriate information on the DMV forms that go to the town clerk

  o   Physical address

  o   Self-administered oath

- Requirement to send early ballot and registration form simultaneously — causes confusion if they come back separately or without all necessary information
- Allow the affidavit to be placed inside the envelope with the ballot — plain envelope on outside — too many people forget to sign outside affidavit
- Clarify and streamline how phone voters are dealt with for federal and state/local issues
- A better way to deal with early ballots that are folded and cause problems for machine feeding
- The statewide checklist needs to have more capacity to allow it to be used — limited access in the days right before and after the election