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Voting System Demonstration and Certification Hearing Set for Tuesday and Wednesday, July 15 and 16.

Secretary Ben Ysursa today announced a Voting System Certification Hearing for the Election Systems and Software (ES&S) EVS 5.2.0.0 Voting System.

A public hands-on demonstration will be held Tuesday, July 15, from 3:30 to 5:30 pm in the JR Williams Building West Conference Room across from the Capitol at 700 West State Street. The certification hearing will be held Wednesday morning, July 16, in the same location beginning at 8:30 am.

The ExpressVote "is a universal vote capture device designed for all voters" according to the manufacturer. The public is invited to participate and comment on the accessibility features of the ExpressVote.

Secretary Ysursa said "Any citizen who would like to participate in the hearing process is invited to attend. Public comment is important and appreciated when we examine a system that counts our votes."

A public certification hearing is required before approving any new vote tabulation system for use in Idaho. Voting systems must be certified by the Secretary of State before use in the state pursuant to section 34-2409 of the Idaho Code.