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**Secretary of State Jim Condos and Disability Rights Vermont to Hold
Press Conference on Vermont's Accessible Voting System and Polling Place Accessibility Survey**

Montpelier, VT – On Tuesday, October 30th at 1pm Vermont Secretary of State Jim Condos and Disability Rights Vermont (DRVT) Executive Director Ed Paquin will hold a press conference to demonstrate Vermont's Accessible Voting System at the Secretary of State's office, located at 128 State Street in Montpelier. They will also discuss the results of a [recent statewide polling place accessibility survey](#) conducted by DRVT.

The new accessible voting system allows any Vermont voter, including voters with a disability, to vote privately and independently either at the polls on Election Day or from their home during the early voting period. The system generates a printed, marked ballot which is collected and counted with other voter-marked paper ballots cast on or before Election Day. Vermont's new Accessible Voting System has been in operation statewide since August.

Other speakers will include Barre City Clerk Carol Dawes, who participated in the beta testing and design of the new system. Additional speakers may be added.

Following the speaking portion of the event a live demonstration of the system will take place. Speakers will be available to answer questions.

The event will be streamed via Facebook Live through the Secretary of State's official Facebook page, which can be found at www.facebook.com/SecretaryOfStateJimCondos.

Members of the public are invited and encouraged to attend.

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