

## Chapter 7.1: The Nominating Process

There are 5 ways a candidate can be nominated for officer:

### -Self-Announcement:

-Definition:

-How it is used:

### -Caucus:

-Definition:

-Still used?

### -Convention:

-Definition:

-Still used?

### -Direct Primary:

-Definition:

-Describe the **Closed Primary**:

-Describe the **Open Primary**:

-Pros & Cons:

-Describe the **Runoff Primary**:

-Describe the **Presidential Primary**:

### -Petition:

-Definition:

-Describe its use:

## Chp 7.2: Elections

### Filling Public Offices

-What is the source of most election law?

-Do states or the federal government control most elections?

-When are elections are held?

### -Early voting/absentee voting:

-What 3 groups usually use absentee voting?

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-Describe Early Voting:

-Describe Texas Early Voting:

-Describe the **Coattail Effect**:

Precincts & Polling Places

-What is a **precinct**?

-What is a **polling place**?

Casting the Ballot

-What is a **ballot**?

-Does each state use a secret ballot?

-The **Australian Ballot**

-What are the 4 features of the Australian Ballot?

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-Why is it used?

Explain these types of ballots:

-Sample Ballots

-Bedsheet Ballots

**-Ballot Fatigue**

Briefly explain these types of voting machines & other new stuff

-Voting Machines

-Electronic Vote Counting

-Vote-by-Mail

-Online Voting

## **Chp 7.3: Money & Elections**

### **Campaign Spending**

-Does anyone really know how much is spent on elections?

-Which type of campaign costs the most?

### **Sources of Funding**

-Describe each of these types of contributors:

-Small contributors

-Wealthy contributors

-Candidates

- Political Action Committees

- Temporary Organizations

- Explain why people give to campaigns & politicians:

  - Political participation

  - Access to government

  - Office appointments

### **Regulating Campaign Finance**

- Federal Election Commission (FEC)

  - Are there limits on contributions?

What is a PAC & are there contributions limited?

Describe public funding of presidential campaigns

### **Loopholes in the Law**

- What is Soft Money?

- What is Independent Campaign Spending & is it limited?

- What are issue ads and why are they a loophole?