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California Voter Registration Deadline is May 19

SACRAMENTO – With only one week left before the May 19 deadline to register to vote in the June primary election, Secretary of State Debra Bowen is reminding Californians to register to vote so they can weigh in on important decisions about public records, veteran housing, and who runs our government.

"With the deadline to register to vote almost here, now is the time to get it done and check it off your 'to-do' list," said Secretary Bowen, California's chief elections official. "Registering to vote is now easier than ever for eligible Californians, so there is no need to wait."

Eligible Californians can register online at <u>RegisterToVote.ca.gov</u> or get a paper application at local libraries, U.S. post offices, California Department of Motor Vehicles offices, and many more places. Voter registration closes 15 days prior to any California election.

Last month the Secretary unveiled a simpler, more intuitive layout for her award-winning online voter registration application. Other upgrades include the addition of eight more languages, improved accessibility features for people with disabilities and mobile device optimization.

A person must re-register to vote after moving, changing names or changing political party preference. Voters can check registration status through the Secretary of State's website at www.sos.ca.gov/elections/registration-status.

For more information on registering to vote, visit www.sos.ca.gov/elections/elections vr.htm. Keep up with the latest California election news and trivia by following @CASOSvote on Twitter.

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