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**California Secretary of State Alex Padilla to Speak at National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine about the Future of Voting**

Secretary of State Alex Padilla, who also serves as co-chair of the [National Association of Secretaries of State Elections Committee](#), will address the [National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine](#) in Washington, D.C. on Tuesday, April 4. Secretary Padilla will discuss the future of voting, and how election administrators can take lessons from the 2016 presidential election as they seek to modernize elections.

The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine are undertaking [a study](#) that will examine current technology, standards, and resources for voting; examine challenges arising out of the 2016 federal election; evaluate advances in technology that may improve voting; and offer recommendations to make voting easier and more accessible, reliable, and verifiable. The study committee will hold a public information-gathering meeting on April 4 and 5 in Washington, D.C. [See the agenda](#) for more information on sessions and speakers.

**WHO:** California Secretary of State Alex Padilla

**WHEN:** Tuesday, April 4  
Conference runs from: 7:00am PST to 2:00pm PST  
Secretary Padilla speaks at 12:15 pm PST/3:15 pm EST

**WHERE:** National Academy of Sciences  
2101 Constitution Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C.  
Room 125

**NOTES:** Reporters who wish to attend should register in advance with the National Academy of Sciences' Office of News and Public Information, (202) 334-2138 or [news@nas.edu](mailto:news@nas.edu).

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