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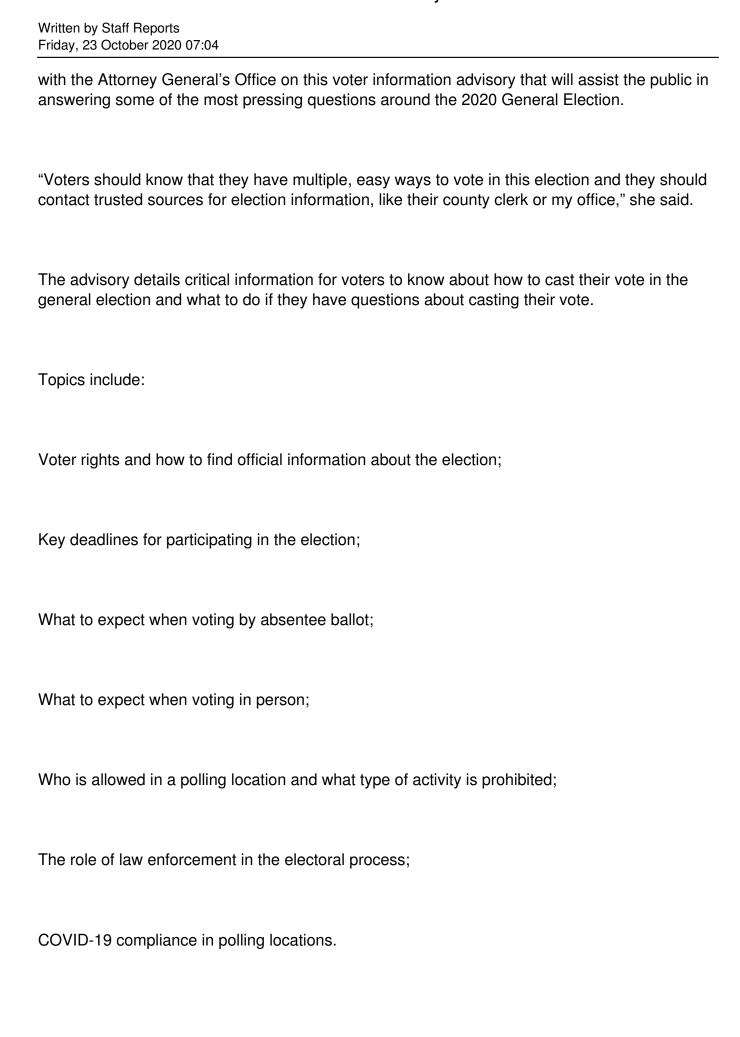


Santa Fe —Secretary of State Maggie Toulouse Oliver and Attorney General Hector Balderas issued an advisory to all New Mexicans Oct. 14, reminding them of their right to participate in a free and fair election and providing critical information about the upcoming general election.

"New Mexican voters should be informed, and they should be confident that their elections are safe, secure, and free from intimidation," Balderas said. "Secretary Toulouse Oliver and I will ensure that the electoral process is conducted openly and securely, and my office will hold anyone accountable who interferes with any New Mexican's right to vote."

"One of the best things for voter confidence and participation is clear information about how to vote and what to expect when doing so," Toulouse Oliver said. "I'm happy to have partnered

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Balderas and Toulouse Oliver remind and encourage New Mexicans to be informed and vigilant when casting their votes. If any person suspects that someone is intimidating them, harassing them, or otherwise interfering with their right to vote, they are encouraged to contact local law enforcement and call the Attorney General's voter protection hotline at (505) 318-1008 immediately with this information.

The Attorney General and Secretary of State are partnering with state, local, and federal agencies to ensure a fair and open election. Interference with the electoral process will not be tolerated, and any violation of state law in connection with the election will be assigned to a state prosecution unit and any federal violation will promptly be referred to the FBI and the U.S. Attorney.