

Michigan Senate Oversight Committee Report Finds No Fraud, Recommends Investigating False Election Fraud Claims

The Michigan Senate <u>report</u> (June 23, 2021) found no evidence of widespread fraud in the 2020 presidential election and the Republican-led Committee recommended investigation of individuals peddling false claims about the election for their own benefit.

"Our clear finding is that citizens should be confident the results represent the true results of the ballots cast by the people of Michigan. The committee strongly recommends citizens use a critical eye and ear toward those who have pushed demonstrably false theories for their own personal gain." (p. 35)

Confirming No Evidence of Dominion Voting System Issues

"Reasonable deduction and logic stand to refute nearly all possible outcomes of a hack or attack, including the following theories: whether files including ballot images were hacked, a malicious algorithm was installed to switch votes, or a hostile, foreign force obtained a connection into a tabulator before, during, or after the election. In all of these situations, a simple recount or re-tabulation by the machine, after a logic and accuracy test, or by hand would demonstrate the theory to be consistent or inconsistent with the facts. This has been undertaken in multiple jurisdictions, both those in question and those not, all providing verification of the original, official results. Not one of these efforts demonstrated a problem with the tabulators or the software." (p. 21)

Setting the Record Straight On Antrim County

"Events in Antrim County sparked a significant amount of concern about the technology used to count ballots. This concern led to much speculation, assumptions, misinformation, and in some cases, outright lights meant to create doubt and confusion. The many hours of testimony before the Committee showed these claims are unjustified and unfair to the people of Antrim County and the state of Michigan. Is has also been unfair to people across America." (p. 19)

From Republican Committee Chair Senator Edward McBroom:

"All compelling theories that sprang forth from the rumors surrounding Antrim County are diminished so significantly as for it to be a complete waste of time to consider them further. Most of the rigorous debate over additional audits comes from fears surrounding the technology used and its vulnerabilities as allegedly demonstrated in Antrim County. Without any evidence to validate those fears, another audit, a so-called forensic audit, is not justifiable." (p. 5)

On Human Error in Reporting Antrim's Unofficial Vote Count:

"The simple answer to all of this remains the most reasonable conclusion: human error and lack of training are the factors that contributed to inaccurate unofficial vote counts. These errors were quickly discovered and rectified by the protective and redundant systems our state has built to verify and protect election integrity, including re-countable, paper ballots. Even more significantly, the official vote count was never in doubt and was validated several times, including during a complete, hand recount." (p. 19)

Holding Purveyors of Falsehoods Accountable

"The Committee recommends the attorney general consider investigating those who have been utilizing misleading and false information about Antrim County to raise money or publicity for their own ends. The Committee finds those promoting Antrim County as the prime evidence of a nationwide conspiracy to steal the election place all other statements and actions they make in a position of zero credibility." (p. 19)

The report findings include a review of evidence and testimony that refutes:

- Claims in the widely debunked "Antrim Report" authored by Allied Security Operations Group (ASOG), noting, "Even after a hand recount verified the results in Antrim County, ASOG refused to retract its assertions." (p. 17)
- Claims promoted by Mike Lindell, which the Committee found to be "ignorant of multiple levels of the actual election process" (p. 22) and "beyond any statistical or reasonable credulity." (p. 23)
- Claims promoted by Matthew DePerno, which the Committee found to be "demonstrably false and based on misleading information and illogical conclusions." (p. 17)
- Claims promoted by Jovan Pulitzer, who, according to the committee, "did not, at any time, have access to data or votes, let alone have the ability to manipulate the counts directly or by the introduction of malicious software to the tabulators. Nor could he spot fraudulent ballots from non-fraudulent ones." (p. 21)
- Claims about "fractional" voting algorithms (p. 20)