How would you like to vote with your smartphone? One state is testing out the idea today during the mid-terms. West Virginia has 24 counties participating in a trial-run of voting through an app. I talk to voters and explain that developers believe they can prevent tampering and voter fraud.

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WILL THERE EVER COME A DAY WHEN YOU CAN VOTE, USING YOUR SMARTPHONE?

THERE IS A PUSH TO MAKE IT HAPPEN, AND EVEN A TEST RUN DURING THIS YEAR'S MID-TERMS. OUR CONSUMER TECHNOLOGY REPORTER JAMEY TUCKER HAS THE STORY.

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Since the early 70s, voter turnout has never been higher than 58%. But what if you could vote on your computer or smartphone? We do almost everything else on these devices.

"I see the good in it because it'll let more people vote and actually have their vote counted, but I can also see how some people could abuse it."
"No. I say no. I think it'd be too easy to hack them, and besides, everyone doesn't have a smartphone."

But there's a campaign led by this man, Bradley Tusk, to make online and mobile voting a reality.

Led by Tusk, 24 counties in West Virginia tried online voting this mid-term election, servicemen and women overseas could vote in their local, state and federal election using an app. Tusk and others working on the project believe they've figured out a way, using blockchain, to encrypt those votes and keep them private and, maybe most importantly, verify every vote to prevent any tampering.
So if it's secure...what do those same voters think?

"Then I would be okay with it, if they can guarantee it but I don't know they could guarantee it.
"Absolutely. Go for it. Let everyone have a change, not everyone can get out and vote. I'll for it."

We're probably still many elections away from online and smartphone voting. But it's being seriously considered and reviewed. That's What the Tech? I'm Jamey Tucker

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THE APP WILL REQUIRE VOTERS TO UPLOAD A VIDEO SELFIE AND PHOTO I.D BEFORE BEING CLEARED TO DOWNLOAD THE APP.