

## HR 322

Save Democracy Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Government Operations and Politics

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**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on House Administration. (Jan 15, 2021)

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### Sponsor

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**Party:** Republican • **State:** IN • **Chamber:** Senate

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Aderholt, Robert B. [R-AL-4]	R · AL		Jan 15, 2021
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Rep. Armstrong, Kelly [R-ND-At Large]	R · ND		Jan 15, 2021
Rep. Arrington, Jodey C. [R-TX-19]	R · TX		Jan 15, 2021
Rep. Babin, Brian [R-TX-36]	R · TX		Jan 15, 2021
Rep. Barr, Andy [R-KY-6]	R · KY		Jan 15, 2021
Rep. Budd, Ted [R-NC-13]	R · NC		Jan 15, 2021
Rep. Cammack, Kat [R-FL-3]	R · FL		Jan 15, 2021
Rep. Duncan, Jeff [R-SC-3]	R · SC		Jan 15, 2021
Rep. Gibbs, Bob [R-OH-7]	R · OH		Jan 15, 2021
Rep. Good, Bob [R-VA-5]	R · VA		Jan 15, 2021
Rep. Gooden, Lance [R-TX-5]	R · TX		Jan 15, 2021
Rep. Hern, Kevin [R-OK-1]	R · OK		Jan 15, 2021
Rep. Herrell, Yvette [R-NM-2]	R · NM		Jan 15, 2021
Rep. Higgins, Clay [R-LA-3]	R · LA		Jan 15, 2021
Rep. Jackson, Ronny [R-TX-13]	R · TX		Jan 15, 2021
Rep. Malliotakis, Nicole [R-NY-11]	R · NY		Jan 15, 2021
Rep. McKinley, David B. [R-WV-1]	R · WV		Jan 15, 2021
Rep. Meuser, Daniel [R-PA-9]	R · PA		Jan 15, 2021
Rep. Norman, Ralph [R-SC-5]	R · SC		Jan 15, 2021
Rep. Pfluger, August [R-TX-11]	R · TX		Jan 15, 2021
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Rep. Reschenthaler, Guy [R-PA-14]	R · PA		Jan 15, 2021
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Rep. Waltz, Michael [R-FL-6]	R · FL		Jan 15, 2021
Rep. Weber, Randy K., Sr. [R-TX-14]	R · TX		Jan 15, 2021
Rep. Wenstrup, Brad R. [R-OH-2]	R · OH		Jan 15, 2021
Rep. Murphy, Gregory [R-NC-3]	R · NC		Jan 19, 2021
Rep. Smith, Jason [R-MO-8]	R · MO		Jan 19, 2021
Rep. Tiffany, Thomas P. [R-WI-7]	R · WI		Jan 19, 2021
Rep. Miller, Mary E. [R-IL-15]	R · IL		Jan 21, 2021
Rep. Williams, Roger [R-TX-25]	R · TX		Jan 21, 2021
Rep. Wilson, Joe [R-SC-2]	R · SC		Jan 28, 2021
Rep. Johnson, Mike [R-LA-4]	R · LA		Feb 3, 2021
Rep. Keller, Fred [R-PA-12]	R · PA		Feb 5, 2021
Rep. Palazzo, Steven M. [R-MS-4]	R · MS		Feb 5, 2021
Rep. Crawford, Eric A. "Rick" [R-AR-1]	R · AR		Feb 23, 2021
Rep. Mann, Tracey [R-KS-1]	R · KS		Feb 23, 2021

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Rep. Rogers, Mike D. [R-AL-3]	R · AL		Feb 23, 2021
Rep. Sessions, Pete [R-TX-17]	R · TX		Feb 23, 2021
Rep. McClintock, Tom [R-CA-4]	R · CA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Perry, Scott [R-PA-10]	R · PA		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Clyde, Andrew S. [R-GA-9]	R · GA		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Carl, Jerry L. [R-AL-1]	R · AL		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Garcia, Mike [R-CA-25]	R · CA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Lamborn, Doug [R-CO-5]	R · CO		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Tenney, Claudia [R-NY-22]	R · NY		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Moore, Barry [R-AL-2]	R · AL		Mar 2, 2021
Rep. Bilirakis, Gus M. [R-FL-12]	R · FL		Mar 8, 2021
Rep. Cline, Ben [R-VA-6]	R · VA		Mar 8, 2021
Rep. DesJarlais, Scott [R-TN-4]	R · TN		Mar 8, 2021
Rep. Estes, Ron [R-KS-4]	R · KS		Mar 8, 2021
Rep. Hudson, Richard [R-NC-8]	R · NC		Mar 8, 2021
Rep. Kustoff, David [R-TN-8]	R · TN		Mar 8, 2021
Rep. Long, Billy [R-MO-7]	R · MO		Mar 8, 2021
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Rep. Rutherford, John H. [R-FL-4]	R · FL		Mar 8, 2021
Rep. Taylor, Van [R-TX-3]	R · TX		Mar 8, 2021
Rep. Fallon, Pat [R-TX-4]	R · TX		Mar 9, 2021
Rep. LaTurner, Jake [R-KS-2]	R · KS		Mar 9, 2021
Rep. Timmons, William R. IV [R-SC-4]	R · SC		Mar 16, 2021
Rep. Reed, Tom [R-NY-23]	R · NY		Mar 18, 2021
Rep. Rose, John W. [R-TN-6]	R · TN		Apr 8, 2021
Rep. Rouzer, David [R-NC-7]	R · NC		Apr 15, 2021
Rep. Stefanik, Elise M. [R-NY-21]	R · NY		Apr 15, 2021
Rep. Joyce, John [R-PA-13]	R · PA		Apr 19, 2021
Rep. Kelly, Trent [R-MS-1]	R · MS		Apr 19, 2021
Rep. LaMalfa, Doug [R-CA-1]	R · CA		Apr 19, 2021
Rep. Harshbarger, Diana [R-TN-1]	R · TN		Apr 26, 2021
Rep. Fitzgerald, Scott [R-WI-5]	R · WI		May 4, 2021
Rep. McCaul, Michael T. [R-TX-10]	R · TX		May 11, 2021
Rep. McClain, Lisa C. [R-MI-10]	R · MI		May 18, 2021
Rep. Guest, Michael [R-MS-3]	R · MS		May 21, 2021
Rep. Burgess, Michael C. [R-TX-26]	R · TX		May 28, 2021
Rep. Franklin, C. Scott [R-FL-15]	R · FL		Jul 13, 2021
Rep. Gosar, Paul A. [R-AZ-4]	R · AZ		Jul 29, 2021
Rep. Feenstra, Randy [R-IA-4]	R · IA		Oct 22, 2021
Rep. Ferguson, A. Drew, IV [R-GA-3]	R · GA		Jan 21, 2022
Rep. Garbarino, Andrew R. [R-NY-2]	R · NY		Jan 21, 2022
Rep. Huizenga, Bill [R-MI-2]	R · MI		Feb 2, 2022

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Mace, Nancy [R-SC-1]	R · SC		Apr 11, 2022
Rep. Bost, Mike [R-IL-12]	R · IL		Jul 1, 2022

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Committee on House Administration	House	Referred To	Jan 15, 2021

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 1130	Related bill	<b>Apr 14, 2021:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
117 S 459	Identical bill	<b>Feb 25, 2021:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
117 HR 873	Related bill	<b>Feb 5, 2021:</b> Referred to the House Committee on House Administration.

## Summary (as of Jan 15, 2021)

### Save Democracy Act

This bill addresses issues involving voter registration, casting of ballots, and tabulation of ballots in federal elections.

Specifically, regarding voter registration for federal elections, the bill

- prohibits the use of automatic voter registration systems,
- requires individuals to provide documentary proof of U.S. citizenship to register to vote,
- requires individuals to provide their full Social Security number on their voter registration application, and
- requires courts to notify state election officials when an individual is recused from jury duty because the individual is not a U.S. citizen.

Next, regarding the casting of ballots in federal elections, the bill

- requires individuals to provide proof of identification for absentee and in-person voting,
- prohibits states from mailing unrequested absentee ballots,
- prohibits the use of a drop box for collecting voted absentee ballots unless it is located inside of a building that serves as an office for the election official,
- restricts the delivery of ballots by third parties (i.e., prohibits ballot harvesting),
- requires that absentee ballots be received before the polls close on election day, and
- requires states to use Social Security numbers to verify the identification of each individual who casts a ballot.

Finally, regarding the tabulation of ballots in federal elections, the bill

- requires states to permit poll watching by at least two campaign representatives per campaign,
- requires continuous counting of ballots after the closure of polling places on election day, and
- requires an audit of voting systems.

## Actions Timeline

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