

HR 640

Expanding Access to Early Voting Act of 2021

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 5746	Related bill	Jan 19, 2022: Motion to proceed to consideration of the motion to reconsider the vote by which cloture on the motion to concur in the House amendment to the Senate amendment to H.R. 5746 (Record Vote No. 9) withdrawn in Senate.
117 HR 2358	Related bill	Oct 19, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.
117 S 1	Related bill	Aug 11, 2021: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 123.
117 S 954	Related bill	Mar 24, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
117 HR 1	Related bill	Mar 11, 2021: Received in the Senate.

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This bill expands early in-person voting.

Specifically, the bill requires each state to allow individuals to vote in federal elections during an early voting period of at least 15 days.

Further, states must ensure that polling places are accessible by public transportation and located in rural areas.

The Election Assistance Commission must issue certain standards for early voting, including the nondiscriminatory geographic placement of polling places.

Finally, states must begin processing and scanning ballots cast during the early voting period at least 14 days prior to election day. However, states cannot tabulate ballots before the polls close on election day.

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