

## HR 7992

Sustaining Our Democracy Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Government Operations and Politics

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Rep. Scott, David [D-GA-13]	D · GA		Aug 26, 2022
Rep. Jackson Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D · TX		Nov 10, 2022

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Committee on House Administration	House	Referred To	Jun 8, 2022

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
<a href="#">117 S 4239</a>	Identical bill	<b>May 18, 2022:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
<a href="#">117 HR 5746</a>	Related bill	<b>Jan 19, 2022:</b> 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which cloture on the motion to concur in the House amendment to the Senate amendment to H.R. 5746 (Record Vote No. 9) withdrawn in Senate.

## Summary (as of Jun 8, 2022)

### Sustaining Our Democracy Act

This bill establishes and provides funds through FY2032 for the State Election Assistance and Innovation Trust Fund for purposes of promoting election activities.

Specifically, the bill establishes the Democracy Advancement and Innovation Program, through which the Office of Democracy Advancement and Innovation (also established by this bill) shall make allocations to states for carrying out democracy promotion activities. These activities include improving the administration of federal elections, recruiting and training nonpartisan election officials and poll workers, and increasing voting access.

The bill requires each state, in order to receive allocated funds, to (1) submit a plan for approval that describes how the state will distribute resources and carry out democracy promotion activities, and (2) establish uniform and nondiscriminatory state-based administrative complaint procedures.

The bill prohibits states from using funds for certain activities, including any activity that diminishes the ability of any eligible voter to participate in the electoral process.

## Actions Timeline

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