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A bill to prohibit the government of the District of Columbia from using Federal funds to allow individuals who are not citizens of the United States to vote in any election, and for other purposes.

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Sponsor

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Sen. Kennedy, John [R-LA]	R · LA		Jan 23, 2023
Sen. Scott, Rick [R-FL]	R · FL		Jan 23, 2023
Sen. Vance, J. D. [R-OH]	R · OH		Jan 23, 2023

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 23, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 486	Identical bill	**Jan 24, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

Summary (as of Jan 23, 2023)

This bill prohibits the use of federal funds to allow an individual who is not a U.S. citizen to vote in any election in the District of Columbia (DC). Further, DC must certify that it does not allow noncitizens to vote in elections as a condition of receiving any federal funds.

Federal law bars noncitizens from voting in federal elections; however, the DC Council passed a bill on October 18, 2022, that allows noncitizens who meet residency and other requirements to vote in local elections.

Actions Timeline

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