

## S 3916

### Right to Vote Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Government Operations and Politics

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### Sponsor

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Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		Mar 12, 2024
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Mar 12, 2024
Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]	D · OR		Mar 12, 2024
Sen. Padilla, Alex [D-CA]	D · CA		Mar 12, 2024
Sen. Warnock, Raphael G. [D-GA]	D · GA		Mar 12, 2024
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Mar 12, 2024
Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI]	D · RI		Mar 14, 2024
Sen. Butler, Laphonza R. [D-CA]	D · CA		Mar 19, 2024

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Rules and Administration Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 12, 2024

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 11	Related bill	<b>Dec 17, 2024:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Social Security.
118 S 1	Related bill	<b>Jul 25, 2023:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
118 S 2344	Related bill	<b>Jul 18, 2023:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

## **Right to Vote Act**

This bill addresses the right to vote in federal elections.

Specifically, the bill declares that every citizen of legal voting age shall have the fundamental right to vote in federal elections.

In addition, the bill prohibits federal, state, and local governments from substantially impairing the ability to vote in federal elections unless the government action furthers an important and particularized governmental interest. Further, the bill specifies that a government may not diminish the ability to vote in federal elections unless the action uses the least restrictive means to achieve such an interest.

A violation of rights created by the bill may be challenged in district court, and a prevailing plaintiff may receive attorney fees. The bill outlines judicial review standards for challenges to voting practices.

## **Actions Timeline**

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