

HR 4494

Ensuring Faith in Our Elections Act

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** FL • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Committee on House Administration	House	Referred To	Jul 6, 2023
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 6, 2023
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 6, 2023
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 6, 2023
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 6, 2023
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 6, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 4563	Related bill	Jan 3, 2025: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 825.
118 HR 6513	Text similarities	Oct 4, 2024: Became Public Law No: 118-106.
118 HR 6493	Related bill	Jul 8, 2024: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 478.
118 HR 4555	Related bill	Apr 17, 2024: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 385.
118 HR 4460	Related bill	Apr 15, 2024: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 383.
118 HR 4486	Related bill	Apr 15, 2024: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 382.
118 HR 4396	Related bill	Feb 23, 2024: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 324.
118 HR 4316	Related bill	Feb 13, 2024: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 316.
118 HR 4650	Related bill	Jul 14, 2023: Referred to the House Committee on House Administration.
118 HR 4597	Related bill	Jul 13, 2023: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Accountability.
118 HR 4543	Related bill	Jul 11, 2023: Referred to the House Committee on House Administration.
118 HR 4544	Related bill	Jul 11, 2023: Referred to the House Committee on House Administration.
118 HR 4553	Related bill	Jul 11, 2023: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.
118 HR 4521	Related bill	Jul 10, 2023: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
118 HR 4523	Related bill	Jul 10, 2023: Referred to the House Committee on House Administration.
118 HR 4474	Related bill	Jul 6, 2023: Referred to the House Committee on House Administration.
118 HR 4476	Related bill	Jul 6, 2023: Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

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118 HR 4477	Related bill	Jul 6, 2023: Referred to the House Committee on House Administration.
118 HR 4479	Related bill	Jul 6, 2023: Referred to the House Committee on House Administration.
118 HR 4484	Related bill	Jul 6, 2023: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.
118 HR 4487	Related bill	Jul 6, 2023: Referred to the House Committee on House Administration.
118 HR 4488	Related bill	Jul 6, 2023: Referred to the House Committee on House Administration.
118 HR 4491	Related bill	Jul 6, 2023: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.
118 HR 4496	Related bill	Jul 6, 2023: Referred to the House Committee on House Administration.
118 HR 4500	Related bill	Jul 6, 2023: Referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, Oversight and Accountability, Science, Space, and Technology, and Education and the Workforce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
118 HR 4457	Related bill	Jul 3, 2023: Referred to the House Committee on House Administration.
118 HR 4407	Related bill	Jun 30, 2023: Referred to the House Committee on House Administration.
118 HR 4415	Related bill	Jun 30, 2023: Referred to the House Committee on House Administration.
118 HR 4317	Related bill	Jun 23, 2023: Referred to the House Committee on House Administration.
118 HR 3072	Related bill	May 2, 2023: Referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, Oversight and Accountability, Science, Space, and Technology, and Education and the Workforce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
118 S 1398	Related bill	May 2, 2023: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

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This bill addresses the administration of elections.

Specifically, the bill directs the Standards Board of the Election Assistance Commission (EAC) to release voluntary considerations from states with respect to the administration of federal elections.

The bill establishes additional requirements related to noncitizens and voting. For example, the bill (1) requires states to make reasonable efforts to remove noncitizens from the official eligible voter lists, and (2) reduces election assistance payments to states and local jurisdictions that allow noncitizens to vote.

Additionally, the bill

- requires states to provide designated congressional election observers with full access to observe the administration procedures of federal elections;
- excludes from gross income, for income tax purposes, certain compensation of election workers;
- establishes certain requirements related to election mail;
- prohibits federal agencies from using funds made available for salaries and expenses to solicit or enter into agreements with nongovernmental organizations to conduct voter registration or voter mobilization activities on the agency's property or website;
- prohibits federal funds for election administration for states that allow ballot harvesting, with exceptions;
- establishes various requirements for elections in the District of Columbia;
- makes various changes to the EAC; and
- prohibits foreign nationals from making contributions or donations in connection with state or local ballot initiatives or referenda.

The bill also establishes the Twentieth Amendment Section Four Panel, which must recommend to Congress model legislation to resolve any vacancy created by the death of a candidate in a contingent presidential or vice-presidential election.

Actions Timeline

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