



## NATIONAL FEDERATION OF REPUBLICAN WOMEN MAGA **ACTION ALERT**

Calling Women to Action on Pending Issues

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### Ballot Box under Attack

The Democrat-controlled U.S. House of Representatives is scheduled to take up H.R. 1 this week, with a final vote expected on Friday. Ironically named the "For the People Act of 2019," the 600+ page bill would accomplish a **federal takeover of elections**.

Every state would be forced to adopt the very election practices that helped transform Republican election day victories last November 6 into post-election defeats in California and elsewhere, including automatic voter registration and mandatory early voting. Voter-ID would be outlawed, and taxpayer funds would be funneled to campaigns, forcing Americans to finance candidates with whom they disagree, while free speech would be trampled. The **Trump Administration** has issued a veto threat on the bill (Read the Statement of Administration Policy [here](#)).

**Your voice is needed right now** to make sure Republicans stand strong against this dangerous piece of legislation.



The seal of the National Federation of Republican Women features the American Eagle, king of birds, holding a quill pen and standing guard over our most treasured tool of democracy – the ballot box. Adopted at the biennial convention in 1944, it portrays the Federation's interest in the protection and integrity of our electoral process.

**CALL 202-224-3121 and Ask for Your Congressman**

### TALKING POINTS ON H.R. 1

*"The Times. Places and Manner of holding elections for Senators and*

*Representatives, shall be prescribed in each state by the Legislatures thereof."*

--Article 1, Section 4  
U.S. Constitution

**H.R. 1 strips states of the power to run their own elections, a power granted in the Constitution.** The **Lawyers Democracy Fund** has identified more than 30 new mandates in H.R. 1's election administration section - requirements that would override existing state laws. Among them:

- Automatic voter registration, including using many colleges and universities as voter registration agencies and registering 16- and 17-year-olds.
- Fifteen days of early voting, including minimum hours and requirements for locations.
- Automatically restoring the right of felons to vote after release from prison.
- No-excuse absentee/mail voting with signature comparison verification available to all voters.
- Provisional ballots cast outside a voter's precinct must be counted.
- Congressional redistricting done by an independent redistricting commission.

**At a time when Americans are concerned about election security, H.R. 1 expands opportunities for voter fraud.** Even an amendment to prohibit ballot harvesting was rejected along partisan lines. The bill:

- Makes it nearly impossible for states to maintain the accuracy of voting lists by removing the names of voters who are ineligible by reason of death or change of address (as mandated under current law).
- Abolishes voter ID laws, and only requires a signature in the polling place to vote.
- Mandates online voter registration without protections to verify the eligibility of the voter.
- Mandates same day registration during early voting and on Election Day.

**H.R. 1 effectively overturns Citizens United and mandates taxpayer funding of candidates.**

- Creates a taxpayer-funded small dollar matching program, forcing taxpayers to give money to candidates with whom they may not agree.
- Stifles participation in public advocacy by forcing disclosure of donors, forcing private digital companies to release customer lists, and broadening the definition of a *lobbyist* to include even the most basic political action.

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**The NFRW is committed to protecting the integrity of the ballot box. Your calls will help stop the Democrats' partisan manipulation of the election process.**

**Please call or write your Congressman now** and urge them to vote "No" on H.R. 1. Calls to Republicans are especially important - we need to stick together.

- You can call the Switchboard at 202-224-3121 and ask to be connected to your Member's office.
- Click on the link for a directory of [Representatives](#).

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