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Federal Election Reform Bill Tracking
113th Congress

Voting Bills

HOUSE

Bill No. [HR. 12](#)
Title: Voter Empowerment Act
Introduced: 1/23/2013
Sponsor: Rep. John Lewis (GA) [Cosponsors](#)
Key Issues: Voter Registration Modernization
Description: To modernize voter registration, promote access to voting for individuals with disabilities, protect the ability of individuals to exercise the right to vote in elections for Federal office, and for other purposes.

Bill No. [HR. 50](#)
Title: Streamlined and Improved Methods at Polling Locations and Early (SIMPLE) voting act of 2013
Introduced: 1/3/2013
Sponsor: George Miller (CA) [Cosponsors](#)
Key Issues: Voting Reform
Description: To amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to promote early voting in elections for Federal office and to prevent unreasonable waiting times for voters at polling places used in such elections, and for other purposes.

Bill No. [HR. 97](#)
Title: FAST Voting Act
Introduced: 1/3/2013
Sponsor: Rep Gerald Connolly (VA) [Cosponsors](#)
Key Issues: Voter Registration
Description: To provide incentives for States to invest in practices and technology that are designed to expedite voting at the polls and to simplify voter registration.

Bill No. [HR. 280](#)
Title: Same Day Registration Act of 2013
Introduced: 1/15/2013
Sponsor: Rep Keith Ellison (MN) [Cosponsors](#)
Key Issues: Voting Rights

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Description: To amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to require States to provide for same day registration

Bill No. [HR. 281](#)

Title: Voter Access Protection Act of 2013

Introduced: 1/15/2013

Sponsor: Rep. Keith Ellison (MN) [Cosponsors](#)

Key Issues: Voter ID

Description: To prohibit election officials from requiring individuals to provide photo identification as a condition of obtaining or casting a ballot in an election for Federal office or registering to vote in elections for Federal office, and for other purposes

Bill No. [HR. 289](#)

Title: Value Our Time Election Act

Introduced: 1/15/2013

Sponsor: Rep. James Moran (VA) [Cosponsors](#)

Key Issues: Voting Registration Modernization

Description: To amend the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 to modernize State voting systems by allowing for increased use of the internet in voter registration, and for other purposes.

Bill No. [HR. 299](#)

Title: District of Columbia Voting Rights Restoration Act of 2013

Introduced: 1/15/2013

Sponsor: Rep. Dana Rohrabacher (CA) [Cosponsors](#)

Key Issues: Voting Rights

Description: To require: (1) Restoration of right of District of Columbia residents to participate as Maryland residents in congressional election, (2) restoration of right of District of Columbia residents to participate as Maryland residents in Presidential elections.

Bill No. [HR. 337](#)

Title: Redistricting Transparency Act of 2013

Introduced: 1/22/2013

Sponsor: Rep. Jim Cooper (TN) [Cosponsors](#)

Key Issues: Redistricting, Voter Registration Modernization

Description: To require States to carry out Congressional redistricting in accordance with a process under which members of the public are informed of redistricting proposals and have the opportunity to participate in the development of such proposals prior to their adoption, and for other purposes.

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Bill No. [HR. 376](#)
Title: Universal Right to Vote by Mail Act of 2013
Introduced: 1/23/2013
Sponsor: Rep. Susan Davis (CA) [Cosponsors](#)
Key Issues: Voter Registration Modernization
Description: To amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to allow all eligible voters to vote by mail in Federal elections.

Bill No. [HR. 653](#)
Title: Students Voicing Opinions in Today's Elections (VOTE) Act
Introduced: 2/13/13
Sponsor: Rep. Al Green (TX) [Cosponsors](#)
Key Issues: Voter Registration Modernization
Description: To direct the Election Assistance Commission to carry out a pilot program under which the Commission shall provide funds to local educational agencies for initiatives to provide voter registration information to secondary school students in the 12th grade.

Bill No. [HR. 1641](#)
Title: Weekend Voting Act
Introduced: 4/18/13
Sponsor: Rep. Steve Israel (NY) [Cosponsors](#)
Key Issues: Voter Registration Modernization
Description: To change the date for regularly scheduled Federal elections and establish polling place hours.

Bill No. [HR. 1748](#)
Title: America Votes Act of 2013
Introduced: 4/25/13
Sponsor: Rep. Rick Larsen (WA) [Cosponsors](#)
Key Issues: Voter Identification
Description: To amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to permit an individual who is subject to a requirement to present identification as a condition of voting in an election for Federal office to meet such requirement by presenting a sworn written statement attesting to the individual's identification, and for other purposes.

Bill No. [HR. 1994](#)
Title: Election Assistance Commission Termination Act
Introduced: 5/15/13
Sponsor: Rep. Gregg Harper (MS) [Cosponsors](#)
Key Issues: Voter Registration Modernization

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Description: To terminate the Election Assistance Commission

Bill No. [HR. 2115](#)

Title: Voter Registration Efficiency Act

Introduced: 05/22/13

Sponsor: Rep. Candice Miller (MI) [Cosponsors](#)

Key Issues: Voter Registration

Description: To amend the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 to require an individual who applies for a motor vehicle driver's license in a new State to indicate whether the new State is to serve as the individual's residence for purposes of registering to vote in elections for Federal office, and for other purposes.

Bill No. [HR.2829](#)

Title: Restoring Important Voter Eligibility Requirements to States Act of 2013

Introduced: 7/25/2013

Sponsor: Rep John Abney Culberson (TX) [Cosponsors](#)

Key Issues: Voter Registration

Description: To amend the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 to require an applicant for voter registration for elections for Federal office to affirmatively state that the applicant meets the eligibility requirements for voting in such elections as a condition of completing the application, to require States to verify that an applicant for registering to vote in such elections meets the eligibility requirements for voting in such elections prior to registering the applicant to vote, and for other purposes.

SENATE

Bill No. [S. 58](#)

Title: LINE Act of 2013 (Lines Interfere with National Elections)

Introduced: 1/22/2013

Sponsor: Sen. Barbara Boxer (CA) [Cosponsors](#)

Key issues: Voter Registration Modernization

Description: A bill to amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to ensure that voters in elections for Federal office do not wait in long lines in order to vote.

Bill No. [S. 85](#)

Title: FAST Voting Act of 2013 (Fair, Accurate, Secure, and Timely)

Introduced: 1/23/2013

Sponsor: Sen. Christopher Coons (DE) [Cosponsors](#)

Key issues: Voter Registration Modernization

Description: A bill to provide incentives for States to invest in practices and technology that are designed to expedite voting at the polls and to simplify voter registration

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Bill No. [S. 123](#)
Title: Voter Empowerment Act
Introduced: 1/23/2013
Sponsor: Sen. Kristen Gillibrand (NY) [Cosponsors](#)
Key Issues: Voter Registration Modernization
Description: A bill to modernize voter registration, promote access to voting for individuals with disabilities, protect the ability of individuals to exercise the right to vote in elections for Federal office, and for other purposes.

Bill No. [S. 302](#)
Title: Voter Integrity Protection Act
Introduced: 2/13/13
Sponsor: Sen. David Vitter (LA) [Cosponsors](#)
Key Issues: Voting disenfranchisement, Mass Incarceration, Racial Justice
Description: To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to make voting in a Federal election by an unlawfully present alien an aggravated felony and for other purposes.

Bill No. [S. 532](#)
Title: Same Day Registration Act
Introduced: 3/12/13
Sponsor: Sen. Amy Klobuchar (MN) [Cosponsors](#)
Key Issues: Voter Registration Modernization
Description: To amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to require States to provide for same day registration.

Money & Politics

HOUSE

Bill No. [HR. 94](#)
Title: To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to prohibit the use of public funds for political party conventions.
Introduced: 1/3/2013
Sponsor: Rep Tom Cole (OK) [Cosponsors](#)
Key Issues: Campaign Finance Reform
Description: Amends the Internal Revenue Code to repeal provisions providing for the use of funds from the Presidential Election Campaign Fund for presidential nominating conventions.

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Bill No. [HR. 95](#)
Title: To reduce Federal spending and the deficit by terminating taxpayer financing of presidential election campaigns and party conventions.
Introduced: 1/3/2013
Sponsor: Rep Tom Cole (OK) [Cosponsors](#)
Key Issues: Campaign Finance Reform
Description: To amend the Internal Revenue Code to terminate the designation of tax funds for presidential election campaigns, the Presidential Election Campaign fund, and the Presidential Primary Matching Payment Account.

Bill No. [HR. 128](#)
Title: Fairness in Political Advertising Act of 2013
Introduced: 1/3/2013
Sponsor: Rep Marcy Kaptur (OH) [Cosponsors](#)
Key Issues: Campaign Finance Reform
Description: To amend the Communications Act of 1934 to require radio and television broadcasters to provide free broadcasting time for political advertising, and for other purposes.

Bill No. [HR. 148](#)
Title: DISCLOSE 2013 Act
Introduced: 1/3/2013
Sponsor: Rep Chris Van Hollen (MD) [Cosponsors](#)
Key Issues: Campaign Finance Reform
Description: To amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, and other entities, and for other purposes.

Bill No. [HR 186](#)
Title: To amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to permit candidates for election for Federal office to designate an individual who will be authorized to disburse funds of the authorized campaign committees of the candidate in the event of the death of the candidate
Introduced: 1/4/2013
Sponsor: Rep. Walter Jones (NC) [Cosponsors](#)
Key Issues: Campaign Finance Reform
Description: This bill would allow for the designation of an individual to make campaign committee disbursements in the event of death of a candidate.

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Bill No. [HR. 195](#)
Title: Ethnic and Foreign Lobbying Act of 2013
Introduced: 1/4/2013
Sponsor: Rep Marcy Kaptur (OH) [Cosponsors](#)
Key Issues: Campaign Finance Reform
Description: To amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to prohibit contributions and expenditures by multicandidate political committees controlled by foreign-owned corporations, and for other purposes.

Bill No. [HR. 268](#)
Title: Grassroots Democracy Act of 2013
Introduced: 1/15/2013
Sponsor: Rep. John Sarbanes (MD) [Cosponsors](#)
Key Issues: Campaign Finance Reform
Description: To reform the financing of Congressional elections by encouraging grassroots participation in the funding of campaigns, and for other purposes.

Bill No. [HR. 270](#)
Title: Empowering Citizens Act
Introduced: 1/15/2013
Sponsor: Rep. David Price (NC) [Cosponsors](#)
Key Issues: Campaign Finance Reform
Description: To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reform the system of public financing for Presidential elections, to establish a system of public financing for Congressional elections, to promote the disclosure of disbursements made in coordination with campaigns for election for Federal office, and for other purposes.

Bill No. [HR. 464](#)
Title: To amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to reduce the limit on the amount of certain contributions which may be made to a candidate with respect to an election for Federal office.
Introduced: 2/4/13
Sponsor: Rep. Michael Capuano (MA) [Cosponsors](#)
Key Issues: Campaign Finance Reform
Description: To amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to reduce the limit on the amount of certain contributions which may be made to a candidate with respect to an election for Federal office.

Bill No. [HR. 1338](#)
Title: Restoring Confidence in Our Democracy Act

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Introduced: 3/21/13
Sponsor: Rep. John Dingell [Cosponsors](#)
Key Issues: Campaign Finance Reform
Description: To amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to reassert the authority of Congress to restrict spending by corporations and labor organizations on campaigns for elections for Federal office, and for other purposes.

SENATE

Bill No. [S. 9](#)
Title: Clean and Fair Elections Act
Introduced: 1/22/13
Sponsor: Sen. Harry Reid (NV) [Cosponsors](#)
Key Issues: Campaign finance Reform, Voter Modernization
Description: Expresses the sense of the Senate with respect to congressional attention to elections and voting including: campaign finance, government transparency, disclosure, the right to vote, and voter registration reform.

Bill No. [S. 525](#)
Title: Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to restore the rights of the American people that were taken away by the Supreme Court's decision in the Citizens United.
Introduced: 3/12/13
Sponsor: Sen. Bernard Sanders (VT) [Cosponsors](#)
Key Issues: Campaign Finance Reform, Money and Politics
Description: Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to restore the rights of the American people that were taken away by the Supreme Court's decision in the Citizens United case and related decisions, to protect the integrity of our elections, and to limit the corrosive influence of money in our democratic process.

Bill No. [S. 791](#)
Title: Follow the Money Act of 2013
Introduced: 3/12/13
Sponsor: Sen. Ron Wyden (OR) [Cosponsors](#)
Key Issues: Campaign Finance Reform, Money and Politics
Description: A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require the disclosure of contributions and expenditures for independent Federal election-related activity, and for other purposes.

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Government Reform

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Bill No. [S. RES. 4](#)
Title: A resolution to limit certain uses of the filibuster in the Senate to improve the legislative process.
Introduced: 1/3/2013
Sponsor: Tom Udall (NM) [Cosponsors](#)
Key Issues: Democracy, Filibuster, Redistricting
Description: To limit certain uses of the filibuster in the Senate to improve the legislative process

Bill No. [S.RES. 6](#)
Title: A resolution to modify extended debate in the Senate to improve the legislative process.
Introduced: 1/3/2013
Sponsor: Jeff Merkley (OR) [Cosponsors](#)
Key Issues: Democracy, Electoral Reform, Redistricting
Description: To modify extended debate in the Senate to improve the legislative process.

Bill No. [S.RES. 7](#)
Title: A resolution to permit the Senate to avoid unnecessary delay and vote on matters for which floor debate has ceased.
Introduced: 1/3/2013
Sponsor: Frank Lautenberg (NJ) [Cosponsors](#)
Key Issues: Democracy, Electoral Reform, Redistricting
Description: To permit the Senate to avoid unnecessary delay and vote on matters for which floor debate has ceased.