

Union Calendar No. 478

118TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 6493

[Report No. 118–577, Part I]

To limit the involvement of Federal agencies in voter registration activities,
and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 29, 2023

Ms. HAGEMAN introduced the following bill; which was 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

JULY 8, 2024

Additional sponsors: Mr. WEBER of Texas, Ms. TENNEY, and Mr. ROY

JULY 8, 2024

Reported from the Committee on House Administration with an amendment

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Committees on the Judiciary, Oversight and Accountability, Science, Space, and Technology, and Education and the Workforce discharged; committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “~~Promoting Free and~~
5 ~~Fair Elections Act of 2023~~” “*Safeguarding Electoral In-*
6 *tegrity Act of 2023*”.

7 **SEC. 2. FEDERAL AGENCY INVOLVEMENT IN VOTER REG-**
8 **ISTRATION ACTIVITIES.**

9 (a) CLARIFICATION OF FEDERAL AGENCY INVOLVE-
10 MENT IN VOTER REGISTRATION ACTIVITIES.—Executive
11 Order 14019 (86 Fed. Reg. 13623; relating to promoting
12 access to voting) shall have no force or effect, and any
13 contract or arrangement entered into by an agency to
14 carry out activities pursuant to sections 3 and 4 of such
15 Executive order shall be abrogated.

16 (b) AGREEMENTS WITH NONGOVERNMENTAL ORGA-
17 NIZATIONS.—None of the funds made available for the sal-
18 aries and expenses of an agency may be used to solicit
19 or enter into an agreement with a nongovernmental orga-
20 nization to conduct voter registration or voter mobilization
21 activities, including registering voters or providing any
22 person with voter registration materials, absentee or vote-
23 by-mail ballot applications, voting instructions, or can-
24 didate-related information, on the property or website of
25 the agency.

1 (c) REPORT ON PRIOR VOTER REGISTRATION AND
2 MOBILIZATION ACTIVITIES.—Not later than 30 days after
3 the date of enactment of this Act, the head of each agency
4 shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees
5 a report describing the activities carried out by the agency
6 pursuant to sections 3 and 4 of Executive Order 14019
7 (86 Fed. Reg. 13623).

8 (d) PROHIBITING VOTER REGISTRATION AND MOBI-
9 LIZATION IN FEDERAL WORK-STUDY PROGRAMS.—Sec-
10 tion 443(b)(1) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20
11 U.S.C. 1087–53(b)(1)) is amended—

12 (1) in subparagraph (C), by striking “and”;

13 (2) by redesignating subparagraph (D) as sub-
14 paragraph (E); and

15 (3) by inserting after subparagraph (C) the fol-
16 lowing:

17 “(D) does not involve registering or mobi-
18 lizing voters on or off the campus of the institu-
19 tion; and”.

20 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

21 (1) AGENCY.—The term “agency” has the
22 meaning given the term in section 3502(1) of title
23 44, United States Code.

1 (2) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
2 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-
3 mittees” means—

4 (A) the Committee on Rules and Adminis-
5 tration of the Senate;

6 (B) the Committee on the Judiciary of the
7 Senate;

8 (C) the Committee on House Administra-
9 tion of the House of Representatives; and

10 (D) the Committee on the Judiciary of the
11 House of Representatives.

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