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**TEXT OF HOUSE AMENDMENT TO S. 1383**

**[Showing the text of H.R. 7296, as introduced, with  
modifications]**

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2       This Act may be cited as the “Safeguard American  
3 Voter Eligibility Act” or the “SAVE America Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. ENSURING ONLY CITIZENS ARE REGISTERED TO**  
5 **VOTE IN ELECTIONS FOR FEDERAL OFFICE.**

6       (a) DEFINITION OF DOCUMENTARY PROOF OF  
7 UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP.—Section 3 of the National  
8 Voter Registration Act of 1993 (52 U.S.C. 20502) is  
9 amended—

10           (1) by striking “As used” and inserting “(a) IN  
11 GENERAL.—As used”; and

12           (2) by adding at the end the following:

13       “(b) DOCUMENTARY PROOF OF UNITED STATES  
14 CITIZENSHIP.—As used in this Act, the term ‘documen-  
15 tary proof of United States citizenship’ means, with re-  
16 spect to an applicant for voter registration, any of the fol-  
17 lowing:

18           “(1) A form of identification issued consistent  
19 with the requirements of the REAL ID Act of 2005

1       that indicates the applicant is a citizen of the United  
2       States.

3               “(2) A valid United States passport.

4               “(3) The applicant’s official United States mili-  
5       tary identification card, together with a United  
6       States military record of service showing that the  
7       applicant’s place of birth was in the United States.

8               “(4) A valid government-issued photo identifica-  
9       tion card issued by a Federal, State or Tribal gov-  
10      ernment showing that the applicant’s place of birth  
11      was in the United States.

12              “(5) A valid government-issued photo identifica-  
13      tion card issued by a Federal, State or Tribal gov-  
14      ernment other than an identification described in  
15      paragraphs (1) through (4), but only if presented to-  
16      gether with one or more of the following:

17                      “(A) A certified birth certificate issued by  
18                      a State, a unit of local government in a State,  
19                      or a Tribal government which—

20                              “(i) was issued by the State, unit of  
21                              local government, or Tribal government in  
22                              which the applicant was born;

23                              “(ii) was filed with the office respon-  
24                              sible for keeping vital records in the State;

1 “(iii) includes the full name, date of  
2 birth, and place of birth of the applicant;

3 “(iv) lists the full names of one or  
4 both of the parents of the applicant;

5 “(v) has the signature of an individual  
6 who is authorized to sign birth certificates  
7 on behalf of the State, unit of local govern-  
8 ment, or Tribal government in which the  
9 applicant was born;

10 “(vi) includes the date that the certifi-  
11 cate was filed with the office responsible  
12 for keeping vital records in the State; and

13 “(vii) has the seal of the State, unit  
14 of local government, or Tribal government  
15 that issued the birth certificate.

16 “(B) An extract from a United States hos-  
17 pital Record of Birth created at the time of the  
18 applicant’s birth which indicates that the appli-  
19 cant’s place of birth was in the United States.

20 “(C) A final adoption decree showing the  
21 applicant’s name and that the applicant’s place  
22 of birth was in the United States.

23 “(D) A Consular Report of Birth Abroad  
24 of a citizen of the United States or a certifi-  
25 cation of the applicant’s Report of Birth of a

1 United States citizen issued by the Secretary of  
2 State.

3 “(E) A Naturalization Certificate or Cer-  
4 tificate of Citizenship issued by the Secretary of  
5 Homeland Security or any other document or  
6 method of proof of United States citizenship  
7 issued by the Federal government pursuant to  
8 the Immigration and Nationality Act.

9 “(F) An American Indian Card issued by  
10 the Department of Homeland Security with the  
11 classification ‘KIC’.”.

12 (b) APPLICATION OF REQUIREMENTS.—Section 4 of  
13 the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (52 U.S.C.  
14 20503) is amended by striking subsection (b) and insert-  
15 ing the following:

16 “(b) REQUIRING APPLICANTS TO PRESENT DOCU-  
17 MENTARY PROOF OF UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP.—  
18 Under any method of voter registration in a State, the  
19 State shall not accept and process an application to reg-  
20 ister to vote in an election for Federal office unless the  
21 applicant presents documentary proof of United States  
22 citizenship with the application.”.

23 (c) REGISTRATION WITH APPLICATION FOR MOTOR  
24 VEHICLE DRIVER’S LICENSE.—Section 5 of the National

1 Voter Registration Act of 1993 (52 U.S.C. 20504) is  
2 amended—

3 (1) in subsection (a)(1), by striking “Each  
4 State motor vehicle driver’s license application” and  
5 inserting “Subject to the requirements under section  
6 8(j), each State motor vehicle driver’s license appli-  
7 cation”;

8 (2) in subsection (c)(1), by striking “Each  
9 State shall include” and inserting “Subject to the  
10 requirements under section 8(j), each State shall in-  
11 clude”;

12 (3) in subsection (c)(2)(B)—

13 (A) in clause (i), by striking “and” at the  
14 end;

15 (B) in clause (ii), by adding “and” at the  
16 end; and

17 (C) by adding at the end the following new  
18 clause:

19 “(iii) verify that the applicant is a citizen  
20 of the United States;”;

21 (4) in subsection (c)(2)(C)(i), by striking “(in-  
22 cluding citizenship)” and inserting “, including the  
23 requirement that the applicant provides documentary  
24 proof of United States citizenship”; and

1           (5) in subsection (c)(2)(D)(iii), by striking “;  
2           and” and inserting the following: “, other than as  
3           evidence in a criminal proceeding or immigration  
4           proceeding brought against an applicant who know-  
5           ingly attempts to register to vote and knowingly  
6           makes a false declaration under penalty of perjury  
7           that the applicant meets the eligibility requirements  
8           to register to vote in an election for Federal office;  
9           and”.

10          (d) REQUIRING DOCUMENTARY PROOF OF UNITED  
11 STATES CITIZENSHIP WITH NATIONAL MAIL VOTER  
12 REGISTRATION FORM.—Section 6 of the National Voter  
13 Registration Act of 1993 (52 U.S.C. 20505) is amended—

14           (1) in subsection (a)(1)—

15                   (A) by striking “Each State shall accept  
16                   and use” and inserting “Subject to the require-  
17                   ments under section 8(j), each State shall ac-  
18                   cept and use”; and

19                   (B) by striking “Federal Election Commis-  
20                   sion” and inserting “Election Assistance Com-  
21                   mission”;

22           (2) in subsection (b), by adding at the end the  
23           following: “The chief State election official of a  
24           State shall take such steps as may be necessary to  
25           ensure that residents of the State are aware of the

1 requirement to provide documentary proof of United  
2 States citizenship to register to vote in elections for  
3 Federal office in the State.”;

4 (3) in subsection (c)(1)—

5 (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking  
6 “and” at the end;

7 (B) in subparagraph (B) by striking the  
8 period at the end and inserting “; and”; and

9 (C) by adding at the end the following new  
10 subparagraph:

11 “(C) the person did not provide documen-  
12 tary proof of United States citizenship when  
13 registering to vote.”; and

14 (4) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
15 section:

16 “(e) ENSURING PROOF OF UNITED STATES CITIZEN-  
17 SHIP.—

18 “(1) PRESENTING PROOF OF UNITED STATES  
19 CITIZENSHIP TO ELECTION OFFICIAL.—An applicant  
20 who submits the mail voter registration application  
21 form prescribed by the Election Assistance Commis-  
22 sion pursuant to section 9(a)(2) or a form described  
23 in paragraph (1) or (2) of subsection (a) shall not  
24 be registered to vote in an election for Federal office  
25 unless—

1           “(A) the applicant presents documentary  
2 proof of United States citizenship in person to  
3 the office of the appropriate election official not  
4 later than the deadline provided by State law  
5 for the receipt of a completed voter registration  
6 application for the election; or

7           “(B) in the case of a State which permits  
8 an individual to register to vote in an election  
9 for Federal office at a polling place on the day  
10 of the election and on any day when voting, in-  
11 cluding early voting, is permitted for the elec-  
12 tion, the applicant presents documentary proof  
13 of United States citizenship to the appropriate  
14 election official at the polling place not later  
15 than the date of the election.

16           “(2) NOTIFICATION OF REQUIREMENT.—Upon  
17 receiving an otherwise completed mail voter registra-  
18 tion application form prescribed by the Election As-  
19 sistance Commission pursuant to section 9(a)(2) or  
20 a form described in paragraph (1) or (2) of sub-  
21 section (a), the appropriate election official shall  
22 transmit a notice to the applicant of the requirement  
23 to present documentary proof of United States citi-  
24 zenship under this subsection, and shall include in



1 the notice instructions to enable the applicant to  
2 meet the requirement.

3 “(3) ACCESSIBILITY.—Each State shall, in con-  
4 sultation with the Election Assistance Commission,  
5 ensure that reasonable accommodations are made to  
6 allow an individual with a disability who submits the  
7 mail voter registration application form prescribed  
8 by the Election Assistance Commission pursuant to  
9 section 9(a)(2) or a form described in paragraph (1)  
10 or (2) of subsection (a) to present documentary  
11 proof of United States citizenship to the appropriate  
12 election official.”.

13 (e) REQUIREMENTS FOR VOTER REGISTRATION  
14 AGENCIES.—Section 7 of the National Voter Registration  
15 Act of 1993 (52 U.S.C. 20506) is amended—

16 (1) in subsection (a)—

17 (A) in paragraph (4)(A), by adding at the  
18 end the following new clause:

19 “(iv) Receipt of documentary proof of  
20 United States citizenship of each applicant to  
21 register to vote in elections for Federal office in  
22 the State.”; and

23 (B) in paragraph (6)—

24 (i) in subparagraph (A)(i)(I), by strik-  
25 ing “(including citizenship)” and inserting

1 “, including the requirement that the ap-  
2 plicant provides documentary proof of  
3 United States citizenship”;

4 (ii) by redesignating subparagraphs  
5 (B) and (C) as subparagraphs (C) and  
6 (D), respectively; and

7 (iii) by inserting after subparagraph  
8 (A) the following new subparagraph:

9 “(B) ask the applicant the question, ‘Are you a  
10 citizen of the United States?’ and if the applicant  
11 answers in the affirmative require documentary  
12 proof of United States citizenship prior to providing  
13 the form under subparagraph (C);” and

14 (2) in subsection (c)(1), by inserting “who are  
15 citizens of the United States” after “for persons”.

16 (f) REQUIREMENTS WITH RESPECT TO ADMINISTRA-  
17 TION OF VOTER REGISTRATION.—Section 8 of the Na-  
18 tional Voter Registration Act of 1993 (52 U.S.C. 20507)  
19 is amended—

20 (1) in subsection (a)—

21 (A) by striking “In the administration of  
22 voter registration” and inserting “Subject to  
23 the requirements of subsection (j), in the ad-  
24 ministration of voter registration”; and

25 (B) in paragraph (3)—

1 (i) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
2 “or” at the end; and

3 (ii) by adding at the end the following  
4 new subparagraphs:

5 “(D) based on documentary proof or  
6 verified information that the registrant is not a  
7 United States citizen; or

8 “(E) the registration otherwise fails to  
9 comply with applicable State law;”;

10 (2) by redesignating subsection (j) as sub-  
11 section (l); and

12 (3) by inserting after subsection (i) the fol-  
13 lowing new subsections:

14 “(j) ENSURING ONLY CITIZENS ARE REGISTERED TO  
15 VOTE.—

16 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other  
17 provision of this Act, a State may not register an in-  
18 dividual to vote in elections for Federal office held  
19 in the State unless, at the time the individual ap-  
20 plies to register to vote, the individual provides docu-  
21 mentary proof of United States citizenship.

22 “(2) REQUIREMENT IN CASES OF NAME DIS-  
23 CREPANCIES IN DOCUMENTATION.—Notwithstanding  
24 any other provision of law, a State shall accept and

1 process an application to register to vote in an elec-  
2 tion for Federal office if the applicant—

3 “(A) presents with the application docu-  
4 mentation that would constitute documentary  
5 proof of United States citizenship, except that  
6 the name on the documentation is not the name  
7 of the applicant; and

8 “(B) provides, through a process estab-  
9 lished by the State (which shall be subject to  
10 any relevant guidance adopted by the Election  
11 Assistance Commission)—

12 “(i) additional documentation as nec-  
13 essary to establish that the name on the  
14 documentation is a previous name of the  
15 applicant; or

16 “(ii) an affidavit signed by the appli-  
17 cant attesting that the name on the docu-  
18 mentation is a previous name of the appli-  
19 cant.

20 “(3) ADDITIONAL PROCESSES IN CERTAIN  
21 CASES.—

22 “(A) PROCESS FOR THOSE WITHOUT DOC-  
23 UMENTARY PROOF.—

24 “(i) IN GENERAL.—Subject to any rel-  
25 evant guidance adopted by the Election As-

1 assistance Commission, each State shall es-  
2 tablish a process under which an applicant  
3 who cannot provide documentary proof of  
4 United States citizenship under paragraph  
5 (1) may, if the applicant signs an attesta-  
6 tion under penalty of perjury that the ap-  
7 plicant is a citizen of the United States  
8 and eligible to vote in elections for Federal  
9 office, submit such other evidence to the  
10 appropriate State or local official dem-  
11 onstrating that the applicant is a citizen of  
12 the United States and such official shall  
13 make a determination as to whether the  
14 applicant has sufficiently established  
15 United States citizenship for purposes of  
16 registering to vote in elections for Federal  
17 office in the State.

18 “(ii) AFFIDAVIT REQUIREMENT.—If a  
19 State or local official makes a determina-  
20 tion under clause (i) that an applicant has  
21 sufficiently established United States citi-  
22 zenship for purposes of registering to vote  
23 in elections for Federal office in the State,  
24 such determination shall be accompanied  
25 by an affidavit developed under clause (iii)

1 signed by the official swearing or affirming  
2 the applicant sufficiently established  
3 United States citizenship for purposes of  
4 registering to vote.

5 “(iii) DEVELOPMENT OF AFFIDAVIT  
6 BY THE ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMIS-  
7 SION.—The Election Assistance Commis-  
8 sion shall develop a uniform affidavit for  
9 use by State and local officials under  
10 clause (ii), which shall—

11 “(I) include an explanation of the  
12 minimum standards required for a  
13 State or local official to register an  
14 applicant who cannot provide docu-  
15 mentary proof of United States citi-  
16 zenship to vote in elections for Fed-  
17 eral office in the State; and

18 “(II) require the official to ex-  
19 plain the basis for registering such  
20 applicant to vote in such elections.

21 “(B) PROCESS IN CASE OF CERTAIN DIS-  
22 CREPANCIES IN DOCUMENTATION.—Subject to  
23 any relevant guidance adopted by the Election  
24 Assistance Commission, each State shall estab-  
25 lish a process under which an applicant can

1 provide such additional documentation to the  
2 appropriate election official of the State as may  
3 be necessary to establish that the applicant is  
4 a citizen of the United States in the event of a  
5 discrepancy with respect to the applicant's doc-  
6 umentary proof of United States citizenship.

7 “(4) STATE REQUIREMENTS.—Not later than  
8 30 days after the date of the enactment of this sub-  
9 section:

10 “(A) Each State shall take affirmative  
11 steps, on an ongoing basis, to ensure that only  
12 United States citizens are registered to vote  
13 under the provisions of this Act, and such af-  
14 firmative steps shall include the establishment  
15 of a program described in subparagraphs (B)  
16 and (C).

17 “(B) Each State shall submit each indi-  
18 vidual in the official list of eligible voters for  
19 Federal office in the State to the Department  
20 of Homeland Security through the Systematic  
21 Alien Verification for Entitlements (‘SAVE’)  
22 system for the purposes of identifying individ-  
23 uals who are not citizens of the United States  
24 and taking the necessary steps to remove such  
25 individuals who are not citizens from the official

1 list, after notice is given to such individuals and  
2 such individuals are given the opportunity to  
3 provide documentary proof of United States  
4 citizenship, but a State with a memorandum of  
5 agreement for such purposes with the Depart-  
6 ment of Homeland Security on the date of the  
7 enactment of this subsection may comply with  
8 this subparagraph by carrying out such pur-  
9 poses under the memorandum.

10 “(C) Each State may utilize such other  
11 sources of data available to the State for the  
12 purposes of identifying individuals who are not  
13 citizens of the United States and removing such  
14 individuals from the official list of eligible vot-  
15 ers for Federal office in the State, including  
16 (but not limited to) the following:

17 “(i) State agencies that supply State  
18 identification cards or driver’s licenses  
19 where the agency confirms the United  
20 States citizenship status of applicants.

21 “(ii) Other sources, including data-  
22 bases and information provided pursuant  
23 to an agreement with the Commissioner of  
24 Social Security under section 205(r)(9) of  
25 the Social Security Act, which can be used



1 to confirm United States citizenship sta-  
2 tus, except that any such information pro-  
3 vided by the Commissioner may not be the  
4 sole grounds for the removal of an indi-  
5 vidual from the official list of eligible vot-  
6 ers for elections for Federal office in a  
7 State.

8 “(5) AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION.—

9 “(A) IN GENERAL.—At the request of a  
10 State election official (including a request re-  
11 lated to a process established by a State under  
12 paragraph (3)(A) or (3)(B)), any head of a  
13 Federal department or agency possessing infor-  
14 mation relevant to determining the eligibility of  
15 an individual to vote in elections for Federal of-  
16 fice shall, not later than 24 hours after receipt  
17 of such request, provide the official with such  
18 information as may be necessary to enable the  
19 official to verify that an applicant for voter reg-  
20 istration in elections for Federal office held in  
21 the State or a registrant on the official list of  
22 eligible voters in elections for Federal office  
23 held in the State is a citizen of the United  
24 States, which shall include providing the official

1 with such batched information as may be re-  
2 requested by the official.

3 “(B) USE OF SAVE SYSTEM.—The Sec-  
4 retary of Homeland Security may respond to a  
5 request received under paragraph (1) by using  
6 the system for the verification of immigration  
7 status under the applicable provisions of section  
8 1137 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.  
9 1320b–7), as established pursuant to section  
10 121(c) of the Immigration Reform and Control  
11 Act of 1986 (Public Law 99–603).

12 “(C) SHARING OF INFORMATION.—The  
13 heads of Federal departments and agencies  
14 shall share information with each other with re-  
15 spect to an individual who is the subject of a  
16 request received under paragraph (A) in order  
17 to enable them to respond to the request.

18 “(D) INVESTIGATION FOR PURPOSES OF  
19 REMOVAL.—The Secretary of Homeland Secu-  
20 rity shall conduct an investigation to determine  
21 whether to initiate removal proceedings under  
22 section 239 of the Immigration and Nationality  
23 Act (8 U.S.C. 1229) if it is determined pursu-  
24 ant to subparagraph (A) or (B) that an alien  
25 (as such term is defined in section 101 of the

1 Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.  
2 1101)) is unlawfully registered to vote in elec-  
3 tions for Federal office.

4 “(E) PROHIBITING FEES.—The head of a  
5 Federal department or agency may not charge  
6 a fee for responding to a State’s request under  
7 paragraph (A).

8 “(k) REMOVAL OF NONCITIZENS FROM REGISTRA-  
9 TION ROLLS.—A State shall remove an individual who is  
10 not a citizen of the United States from the official list  
11 of eligible voters for elections for Federal office held in  
12 the State at any time upon receipt of documentation or  
13 verified information that a registrant is not a United  
14 States citizen.”.

15 (g) CLARIFICATION OF AUTHORITY OF STATE TO  
16 REMOVE NONCITIZENS FROM OFFICIAL LIST OF ELIGI-  
17 BLE VOTERS.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 8(a)(4) of the Na-  
19 tional Voter Registration Act of 1993 (52 U.S.C.  
20 20507(a)(4)) is amended—

21 (A) by striking “or” at the end of subpara-  
22 graph (A);

23 (B) by adding “or” at the end of subpara-  
24 graph (B); and

1 (C) by adding at the end the following new  
2 subparagraph:

3 “(C) documentary proof or verified infor-  
4 mation that the registrant is not a United  
5 States citizen;”.

6 (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section  
7 8(c)(2)(B)(i) of such Act (52 U.S.C.  
8 20507(c)(2)(B)(i)) is amended by striking “(4)(A)”  
9 and inserting “(4)(A) or (C)”.

10 (h) REQUIREMENTS WITH RESPECT TO FEDERAL  
11 MAIL VOTER REGISTRATION FORM.—

12 (1) CONTENTS OF MAIL VOTER REGISTRATION  
13 FORM.—Section 9(b) of such Act (52 U.S.C.  
14 20508(b)) is amended—

15 (A) in paragraph (2)(A), by striking “(in-  
16 cluding citizenship)” and inserting “(including  
17 an explanation of what is required to present  
18 documentary proof of United States citizen-  
19 ship)”;

20 (B) in paragraph (3), by striking “and” at  
21 the end;

22 (C) in paragraph (4), by striking the pe-  
23 riod at the end and inserting “; and”; and

24 (D) by adding at the end the following new  
25 paragraph:

1           “(5) shall include a section, for use only by a  
2           State or local election official, to record the type of  
3           document the applicant presented as documentary  
4           proof of United States citizenship, including the date  
5           of issuance, the date of expiration (if any), the office  
6           which issued the document, and any unique identi-  
7           fication number associated with the document.”.

8           (2) INFORMATION ON MAIL VOTER REGISTRA-  
9           TION FORM.—Section 9(b)(4) of such Act (52  
10          U.S.C. 20508(b)(4)) is amended—

11                 (A) by redesignating clauses (i) through  
12                 (iii) as subparagraphs (A) through (C), respec-  
13                 tively; and

14                 (B) in subparagraph (C) (as so redesign-  
15                 ated and as amended by paragraph (1)(C)), by  
16                 striking “; and” and inserting the following: “,  
17                 other than as evidence in a criminal proceeding  
18                 or immigration proceeding brought against an  
19                 applicant who attempts to register to vote and  
20                 makes a false declaration under penalty of per-  
21                 jury that the applicant meets the eligibility re-  
22                 quirements to register to vote in an election for  
23                 Federal office; and”.

24          (i) PRIVATE RIGHT OF ACTION.—Section 11(b)(1) of  
25          the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (52 U.S.C.

1 20510(b)(1)) is amended by striking “a violation of this  
2 Act” and inserting “a violation of this Act, including the  
3 act of an election official who registers an applicant to  
4 vote in an election for Federal office who fails to present  
5 documentary proof of United States citizenship,”.

6 (j) CRIMINAL PENALTIES.—Section 12(2) of such  
7 Act (52 U.S.C. 20511(2)) is amended—

8 (1) by striking “or” at the end of subparagraph  
9 (A);

10 (2) by redesignating subparagraph (B) as sub-  
11 paragraph (D); and

12 (3) by inserting after subparagraph (A) the fol-  
13 lowing new subparagraphs:

14 “(B) in the case of an officer or employee  
15 of the executive branch, providing material as-  
16 sistance to a noncitizen in attempting to reg-  
17 ister to vote or vote in an election for Federal  
18 office;

19 “(C) registering an applicant to vote in an  
20 election for Federal office who fails to present  
21 documentary proof of United States citizenship;  
22 or”.

23 (k) SPECIAL RULE FOR STATES NOT REQUIRING  
24 VOTER REGISTRATION.—Section 4 of the National Voter  
25 Registration Act of 1993 (52 U.S.C. 20503), as amended

1 by subsection (b), is amended by adding at the end the  
2 following:

3       “(c) SPECIAL RULE FOR STATES NOT REQUIRING  
4 VOTER REGISTRATION.—In the case of a State or jurisdic-  
5 tion that does not require voter registration as a require-  
6 ment to vote in an election for Federal office on or after  
7 the date of the enactment of this subsection, the State  
8 or jurisdiction shall be deemed to meet the requirements  
9 of this Act if the State or jurisdiction establishes a system  
10 for confirming the citizenship of individuals voting in an  
11 election for Federal office prior to the first day for voting  
12 with respect to such election and provides such confirma-  
13 tion of citizenship status for each eligible voter to election  
14 officials at the polling places during the voting period.”.

15       (l) ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION GUID-  
16 ANCE.—Not later than 10 days after the date of the enact-  
17 ment of this Act, the Election Assistance Commission shall  
18 adopt and transmit to the chief State election official of  
19 each State guidance with respect to the implementation  
20 of the requirements under the National Voter Registration  
21 Act of 1993 (52 U.S.C. 20501 et seq.), as amended by  
22 this section.

23       (m) INAPPLICABILITY OF PAPERWORK REDUCTION  
24 ACT.—Subchapter I of chapter 35 of title 44 (commonly  
25 referred to as the “Paperwork Reduction Act”) shall not

1 apply with respect to the development or modification of  
2 voter registration materials under the National Voter Reg-  
3 istration Act of 1993 (52 U.S.C. 20501 et seq.), as  
4 amended by this section, including the development or  
5 modification of any voter registration application forms.

6 (n) DUTY OF SECRETARY OF HOMELAND SECURITY  
7 TO NOTIFY ELECTION OFFICIALS OF NATURALIZA-  
8 TION.—Upon receiving information that an individual has  
9 become a naturalized citizen of the United States, the Sec-  
10 retary of Homeland Security shall promptly provide notice  
11 of such information to the appropriate chief election offi-  
12 cial of the State in which such individual is domiciled.

13 (o) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION REGARDING PROVI-  
14 SIONAL BALLOTS.—Nothing in this section or in any  
15 amendment made by this section may be construed to  
16 supercede, restrict, or otherwise affect the ability of an  
17 individual to cast a provisional ballot in an election for  
18 Federal office or to have the ballot counted in the election  
19 if the individual is verified as a citizen of the United  
20 States pursuant to section 8(j) of the National Voter Reg-  
21 istration Act of 1993 (as added by subsection (f)).

22 (p) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION REGARDING EFFECT  
23 ON STATE EXEMPTIONS FROM OTHER FEDERAL LAWS.—  
24 Nothing in this section or in any amendment made by this  
25 section may be construed to affect the exemption of a



1 State from any requirement of any Federal law other than  
2 the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (52 U.S.C.  
3 20501 et seq.).

4 (q) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section and the amend-  
5 ments made by this section shall take effect on the date  
6 of the enactment of this section, and shall apply with re-  
7 spect to applications for voter registration which are sub-  
8 mitted on or after such date.

9 **SEC. 3. REQUIRING VOTERS TO PROVIDE PHOTO IDENTI-**  
10 **FICATION.**

11 (a) REQUIREMENT TO PROVIDE PHOTO IDENTIFICA-  
12 TION AS CONDITION OF CASTING BALLOT.—

13 (1) IN GENERAL.—Title III of the Help Amer-  
14 ica Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21081 et seq.) is  
15 amended by inserting after section 303 the following  
16 new section:

17 **“SEC. 303A. PHOTO IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.**

18 **“(a) PROVISION OF IDENTIFICATION REQUIRED AS**  
19 **CONDITION OF CASTING BALLOT.—**

20 **“(1) INDIVIDUALS VOTING IN PERSON.—**

21 **“(A) REQUIREMENT TO PROVIDE IDENTI-**  
22 **FICATION.—**Notwithstanding any other provi-  
23 sion of law and except as provided in subpara-  
24 graph (B), the appropriate State or local elec-  
25 tion official may not provide a ballot for an

1 election for Federal office to an individual who  
2 desires to vote in person unless the individual  
3 presents to the official a valid physical photo  
4 identification.

5 “(B) AVAILABILITY OF PROVISIONAL BAL-  
6 LOT.—

7 “(i) IN GENERAL.—If an individual  
8 does not present the identification required  
9 under subparagraph (A), the individual  
10 shall be permitted to cast a provisional bal-  
11 lot with respect to the election under sec-  
12 tion 302(a), except that the appropriate  
13 State or local election official may not  
14 make a determination under section  
15 302(a)(4) that the individual is eligible  
16 under State law to vote in the election un-  
17 less, not later than 3 days after casting the  
18 provisional ballot, the individual presents  
19 to the official—

20 “(I) the identification required  
21 under subparagraph (A); or

22 “(II) an affidavit developed and  
23 made available to the individual by  
24 the State attesting that the individual  
25 does not possess the identification re-

1                   quired under subparagraph (A) be-  
2                   cause the individual has a religious  
3                   objection to being photographed.

4                   “(ii) NO EFFECT ON OTHER PROVI-  
5                   SIONAL BALLOTING RULES.—Nothing in  
6                   clause (i) may be construed to apply to the  
7                   casting of a provisional ballot pursuant to  
8                   section 302(a) or any State law for reasons  
9                   other than the failure to present the identi-  
10                  fication required under subparagraph (A).

11               “(2) INDIVIDUALS VOTING OTHER THAN IN  
12               PERSON.—

13               “(A) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any  
14               other provision of law and except as provided in  
15               subparagraph (B), the appropriate State or  
16               local election official may not accept any ballot  
17               for an election for Federal office provided by an  
18               individual who votes other than in person unless  
19               the individual submits with the ballot—

20               “(i) a copy of a valid photo identifica-  
21               tion; or

22               “(ii) the last four digits of the individ-  
23               ual’s Social Security number and an affi-  
24               davit developed and made available to the  
25               individual by the State attesting that the

1 individual is unable to obtain a copy of a  
2 valid photo identification after making rea-  
3 sonable efforts to obtain such a copy.

4 “(B) EXCEPTIONS.—

5 “(i) IN GENERAL.—Subparagraph (A)  
6 does not apply with respect to a ballot pro-  
7 vided by—

8 “(I) an absent uniformed services  
9 voter who, by reason of active duty or  
10 service, is absent from the United  
11 States on the date of the election in-  
12 volved; or

13 “(II) an individual provided the  
14 right to vote otherwise than in person  
15 under section 3(b)(2)(B)(ii) of the  
16 Voting Accessibility for the Elderly  
17 and Handicapped Act (52 U.S.C.  
18 20102(b)(2)(B)(ii)).

19 “(ii) ABSENT UNIFORMED SERVICES  
20 VOTER DEFINED.—In this subparagraph,  
21 the term ‘absent uniformed services voter’  
22 has the meaning given such term in section  
23 107(1) of the Uniformed and Overseas  
24 Citizens Absentee Voting Act (52 U.S.C.

1                   20310(1)), other than an individual de-  
2                   scribed in section 107(1)(C) of such Act.

3           “(b) PROVIDING PUBLIC ACCESS TO DIGITAL IMAG-  
4   ING DEVICES.—With respect to each State, the appro-  
5   priate State or local government official of the State shall  
6   ensure, to the extent practicable, public access to a digital  
7   imaging device, which shall include a printer, copier,  
8   image scanner, or multifunction machine, at State and  
9   local government buildings in the State, including courts,  
10   libraries, and police stations, for the purpose of allowing  
11   individuals to use such a device at no cost to the individual  
12   to make a copy of a valid photo identification.

13           “(c) VALID PHOTO IDENTIFICATIONS DESCRIBED.—  
14   For purposes of this section, a ‘valid photo identification’  
15   means, with respect to an individual who seeks to vote in  
16   a State, any of the following:

17           “(1) A valid State-issued motor vehicle driver’s  
18           license that includes a photo of the individual and an  
19           expiration date.

20           “(2) A valid State-issued identification card  
21           that includes a photo of the individual and an expi-  
22           ration date issued by a State motor vehicle author-  
23           ity.

24           “(3) A valid United States passport for the in-  
25           dividual.

1           “(4) A valid military identification for the indi-  
2       vidual.

3           “(5) A valid identification document issued by  
4       a Tribal government that includes a photo of the in-  
5       dividual and an expiration date.

6           “(6) Any other form of government-issued iden-  
7       tification that the State may specify as a valid photo  
8       identification for purposes of this subsection, exclud-  
9       ing identification cards provided by an educational  
10      institution.

11      “(d) NOTIFICATION OF IDENTIFICATION REQUIRE-  
12      MENT TO APPLICANTS FOR VOTER REGISTRATION.—

13           “(1) IN GENERAL.—Each State shall ensure  
14      that, at the time an individual applies to register to  
15      vote in elections for Federal office in the State, the  
16      appropriate State or local election official notifies  
17      the individual of the photo identification require-  
18      ments of this section.

19           “(2) SPECIAL RULE FOR INDIVIDUALS APPLY-  
20      ING TO REGISTER TO VOTE ONLINE.—Each State  
21      shall ensure that, in the case of an individual who  
22      applies to register to vote in elections for Federal of-  
23      fice in the State online, the online voter registration  
24      system notifies the individual of the photo identifica-

1       tion requirements of this section before the indi-  
2       vidual completes the online registration process.

3       “(e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall apply  
4 with respect to elections for Federal office held in 2027  
5 or any succeeding year.”.

6               (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of con-  
7 tents of such Act is amended by inserting after the  
8 item relating to section 303 the following new item:  
“Sec. 303A. Photo identification requirements.”.

9       (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT RELATING TO VOL-  
10 UNTARY GUIDANCE BY ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMIS-  
11 SION.—Section 311(b) of such Act (52 U.S.C. 21101(b))  
12 is amended—

13               (1) by striking “and” at the end of paragraph  
14       (2);

15               (2) by striking the period at the end of para-  
16 graph (3) and inserting “; and”; and

17               (3) by adding at the end the following new  
18 paragraph:

19               “(4) in the case of the recommendations with  
20 respect to section 303A, October 1, 2025.”.

21       (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENT RELATING TO EN-  
22 FORCEMENT.—Section 401 of such Act (52 U.S.C. 21111)  
23 is amended by striking “sections 301, 302, 303, and 304”  
24 and inserting “subtitle A of title III”.

1       (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section and the amend-  
2   ments made by this section shall apply with respect to  
3   elections for Federal office held in 2027 or any succeeding  
4   year.

