



Save Democracy Act **RSC Chairman Jim Banks**

“The Save Democracy Act would make targeted reforms to the federal election system to provide Americans with confidence in our nation’s elections. It addresses long time issues and novel challenges because Americans deserve to know that their legal votes won’t be nullified by illegal ones.” - RSC Chairman Jim Banks

To achieve these ends, the *Save Democracy Act* would prohibit or reform current practices that weaken the security, oversight, and administration of elections for federal office. The *Save Democracy Act* stands in contrast to Democrats’ “For the People Act,” which embodies the Left’s crusade to implement policies favoring their candidates rather than a fair and legal process. The *Save Democracy Act* would enhance federal election integrity by addressing three key areas: (1) Voter Registration; (2) Casting of Ballots; (3) Tabulation of Ballots.

Voter Registration:

- Prohibits automatic voter registration for federal elections.
- Requires voter citizenship verification to register to vote in federal elections.
- Requires full Social Security Numbers (SSN) to register to vote in federal elections.
- Requires federal courts to notify state election officials when an individual is excused from jury duty because they are not a citizen.

Casting of Ballots:

- Prohibit states from sending out unrequested absentee ballots for federal elections.
- Bars anyone other than the voter, an election official, or the post office from submitting a ballot to a polling location during federal elections.
- Prohibits use of public ballot collection boxes in federal elections.
- Requires that absentee ballots be received by the close of election day for federal elections.
- Requires a voter to provide proof of I.D. for absentee voting and in-person voting in federal elections, creating equal treatment for all ballots.
- Requires voters to produce a matching SSN printed on their ballot in federal elections. Additionally, requires election officials to cross-check the SSN on a ballot with the voter’s registration and submit such data to Congress.
- Maintains current protections for military and overseas voters.

Tabulation of Ballots:

- Requires that at least two representatives of each Presidential campaign in a general election be permitted to observe polls and vote counting operations.
- Requires that ballot counting, once begun, continue until completed—no delays or pauses.
- Requires the audit of ballot tabulation systems within the 30-day period following a federal election.