

# What You Need to Know About the SAVE Act (Safeguard American Voter Eligibility Act)

Passed by the U.S. House on April 10, 2025 | Pending in the Senate

## What is the SAVE Act?

The SAVE Act is a bill that proposes significant changes to how Americans register to vote. While it aims to enhance election security, many voting rights groups and civic organizations have raised concerns that it could make registering—and staying registered—much harder for millions of eligible voters.

## Key Changes Proposed:

- **In-Person Proof of Citizenship Required:** Voters would need to show a passport or birth certificate when registering or updating their voter registration.
- **Driver's licenses** (even REAL ID), military IDs, and tribal IDs **would not qualify**.
- **Eliminates Online and Mail-In Registration:** All registrations would need to happen in person with citizenship documents.
- **Ends Same-Day Voter Registration:** Voters could no longer register on Election Day.
- **Impacts Automatic Voter Registration (AVR):** DMV-based voter registration systems in most states would be weakened or eliminated.
- **Increases Voter Roll Purges:** The Act allows more frequent voter list cleanups—potentially without adequate notice.

## Who Could Be Affected Most:

- Women who have changed their names after marriage
- Seniors who may not have updated documents
- Rural Americans with less access to government offices
- Low-income citizens who may not afford certified documents
- Students & Young Voters who rely on online or mail registration

## Real-World Impact:

- 21 million Americans lack the ID required by this bill
- Up to 69 million women may not have birth certificates with their legal name
- Voter turnout drops 3–5% when similar laws are implemented
- 8 million voters registered online in 2022—this would no longer be possible

## Did You Know?

**Voter fraud in the U.S. is extremely rare**—you're more likely to be struck by lightning than commit voter fraud.

Election officials already verify eligibility using:

- Social Security & DHS databases
- State ID numbers or Social Security digits
- USPS change-of-address and death records

## Take Action:

- Learn More & Stay Informed
- Research the bill: "SAVE Act 2025" on trusted news and civic sites
- Contact Your Senators--Senate Switchboard: (202) 224-3121
- Or find your reps: [congress.gov/members/find-your-member](https://congress.gov/members/find-your-member)
- If this bill would affect you or someone you know, speak up—online or in a letter to the editor.



**Do you value the right  
to vote? If so, read  
this.**

