

Do not move The Ohio Save Act Forward

The Ohio save act will disenfranchise Ohioans from voting, this will affect Republicans, Independents, and Democrats equally, but especially married and divorced women. Forcing Ohioans to verify their citizenship to register to vote is a redundancy when they've already verified that information with a state agency. Creating a system that makes clerical errors such as a missing initial, shortened name, or hyphen errors, a forced provisional ballot will result in votes not being counted. Voter registration drives open the possibility of those holding drives to be prosecuted due to not being able to verify citizenship. Only being able to register in person leaves many unable to do so due to work requirements making it harder being to get to those locations. Out of nearly a combined 50 million voters in 10 years only 6 people have been found to have voted illegally, and is what seems to be misinterpreted rights and not a malicious vote. And even if it were malicious those votes would not have affected the outcomes of those races. As a poll worker for the last 8 years I have seen hurdles people have had to jump through to vote, driving back and forth to a dmV 1/2 hour away, no drop boxes, information not being updated. But I have never seen droves of immigrants coming to the polls to try and vote. What you are doing is scapegoating a population of people who want nothing more than to live their lives, to disenfranchise Ohioans from their constitutional rights to pick their government. You are creating intentionally veiled hardships for Ohioans of all backgrounds and party affiliations to vote so you can retain your power. This is not going unnoticed and Ohioans will continue to fight to maintain our rights.

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