

## House Concurrent Resolution No. 5015

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION urging the United States Congress to reject legislation to federalize elections in the United States of America and oppose the For the People Act of 2021.

WHEREAS, The For the People Act of 2021, contained in H.R.1 and S.1, is a legislative overreach by the federal government; and

WHEREAS, H.R.1 and S.1 impede upon states' rights by federalizing election administration; and

WHEREAS, H.R.1 and S.1 impose unfunded, burdensome and unconstitutional mandates on states; and

WHEREAS, H.R.1 and S.1 intrude upon our First Amendment rights; and

WHEREAS, H.R.1 and S.1 prevent necessary action by states regarding registration or voting that impedes free speech and lawful election activities; and

WHEREAS, H.R.1 and S.1 impose draconian ethics rules that unfairly restrict political activity; and

WHEREAS, H.R.1 and S.1 expand government regulation and censorship of campaigns, political speech and activity, including online and policy-related speech for candidates, citizens, civic groups, unions, corporations and nonprofit organizations; and

WHEREAS, H.R.1 and S.1 reduce public accountability of elected officials; and

WHEREAS, H.R.1 and S.1 blatantly undermine the work of election officials in providing safe and accessible voting options to voters; and

WHEREAS, H.R.1 and S.1 conflict with state statutes governing election administration; and

WHEREAS, H.R.1 and S.1 force states to implement automatic voter registration, same-day registration and online voter registration; and

WHEREAS, H.R.1 and S.1 dilute the bipartisan voter identification statutes, which protect Kansas elections; and

WHEREAS, H.R.1 and S.1 prohibit election officials from verifying the eligibility of qualified voters; and

WHEREAS, H.R.1 and S.1 sacrifice the security and integrity of the Kansas elections process; and

WHEREAS, H.R.1 and S.1 make states vulnerable to large-scale fraud by foreign and domestic bad actors by allowing online voter registration that is not tied to an existing government record; and

WHEREAS, H.R.1 and S.1 force state legislatures to yield their state constitutional reapportionment duties to independent, unelected commissions; and

WHEREAS, H.R.1 and S.1 make it a violation of federal law for states to engage in traditional redistricting practices: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas, the Senate concurring therein:* That each state legislature should have the freedom and flexibility to determine practices that best meet the needs of their respective states, and the authority to legislate changes to the election process should be left to the states; and

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*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of State shall send enrolled copies of this resolution to the President of the United States, Majority Leader of the United States Senate, the Minority Leader of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the Minority Leader of the United States House of Representatives and each member of the United States Senate and United States House of Representatives serving Kansas.

I hereby certify that the above CONCURRENT RESOLUTION originated in the HOUSE, and was adopted by that body

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*Speaker of the House.*

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*Chief Clerk of the House.*

Adopted by the SENATE \_\_\_\_\_

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*President of the Senate.*

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*Secretary of the Senate.*