The For The People Act In The States

The For the People Act, designated as H.R.1 and S.1 in Congress, represents a once-in-a-generation opportunity to build a true inclusive democracy by putting more power in the hands of everyday people by strengthening our voting, elections, campaign finance, and ethics laws. This document shows where many of the For the People Act reforms have been passed and implemented at the state and local level. This document was created in April 2019 and updated in February 2021.

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- Overturning Citizens United

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About Common Cause
Founded in 1970 by John Gardner, the former Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare in the Johnson administration, Common Cause has been a leader in the democracy reform movement for nearly five decades. With 1.2 million members and supporters across the country and state organizations in over 25 states, Common Cause serves as both the people’s lobby and watchdog for government integrity and democratic reform, including reducing the influence of big money in politics, creating common-sense ethical rules, expanding and protecting the right to vote, ensuring secure and accessible elections, protecting a free and open internet, and ending partisan and racial gerrymandering.

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Money in Politics

The For The People Act In The States
States & Localities That Have Passed or Adopted Citizen Funded Election Programs

- Public financing programs for the state legislature & Governor/Lieutenant Governor
- Public financing program for the state legislature & Governor/Lieutenant Governor, not implemented yet
- Public financing programs for Governor/Lieutenant Governor only
- Public financing programs for other statewide offices
- Public financing programs passed at the local level
States That Recently Strengthened Campaign Finance Disclosure Rules
States That Have Asked Congress to Pass A Constitutional Amendment to Overturn Citizens United & Regulate Campaign Finance
Voting & Elections
States That Have Passed or Adopted
Same Day / Election Day Voter Registration

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States That Have Passed or Adopted Online Voter Registration
States That Have Passed or Adopted Absentee Voting and Early Voting Options

- Early voting or absentee voting options
- All-mail voting with early voting options

Assets in the United States with state abbreviations: CA, CO, OR, UT, WA, and HI.
State Policies On

Restoration of Felony Voting Rights

- Voting rights restored automatically after release from prison.
- Voting rights restored automatically after release from prison and discharge from parole (people on probation may vote).
- Permanent disenfranchisement for at least some people with criminal convictions, unless government approves restoration.
- Voting rights restored upon completion of sentence, including prison, parole, and probation.

Map: States vary in their policies on restoring felony voting rights.
States That Have Passed or Adopted Paper-Based Voting Systems

- Paper-based voting system
- Mixed paper-based and paperless
- Paperless voting system
States That Have Passed or Adopted Redistricting Reform

- Independent citizen commission (partisan balance)
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- Nonpartisan legislative staff or state demographer
- Advisory commission
- Strict constitutional standards
- Politician commission