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To amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to require the provision of identification as a condition of casting a ballot in an election for Federal office, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 18, 2026

Mr. STEIL (for himself, Mrs. MILLER of Illinois, Mr. MURPHY, Mrs. HINSON, and Mr. GRIFFITH) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration

JULY 15, 2026

Additional sponsors: Mr. CAREY, Ms. LEE of Florida, and Mrs. KIM

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Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on June 18, 2026]

A BILL

To amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to require the provision of identification as a condition of casting a ballot in an election for Federal office, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
 2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 *This Act may be cited as the “Voter ID Act”.*

5 **SEC. 2. REQUIRING VOTERS TO PROVIDE PHOTO IDENTI-**
 6 **FICATION.**

7 *(a) REQUIREMENT TO PROVIDE PHOTO IDENTIFICA-*
 8 *TION AS CONDITION OF CASTING BALLOT.—*

9 *(1) IN GENERAL.—Title III of the Help America*
 10 *Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21081 et seq.) is amended*
 11 *by inserting after section 303 the following new sec-*
 12 *tion:*

13 **“SEC. 303A. PHOTO IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.**

14 **“(a) PROVISION OF IDENTIFICATION REQUIRED AS**
 15 **CONDITION OF CASTING BALLOT.—**

16 **“(1) INDIVIDUALS VOTING IN PERSON.—**

17 **“(A) REQUIREMENT TO PROVIDE IDENTI-**
 18 **FICATION.—***Notwithstanding any other provision*
 19 *of law and except as provided in subparagraph*
 20 *(B), the appropriate State or local election offi-*
 21 *cial may not provide a ballot for an election for*
 22 *Federal office to an individual who desires to*
 23 *vote in person unless the individual presents to*
 24 *the official a valid physical photo identification.*

1 “(B) *AVAILABILITY OF PROVISIONAL BAL-*
2 *LOT.*—

3 “(i) *IN GENERAL.*—*If an individual*
4 *does not present the identification required*
5 *under subparagraph (A), the individual*
6 *shall be permitted to cast a provisional bal-*
7 *lot with respect to the election under section*
8 *302(a), except that the appropriate State or*
9 *local election official may not make a deter-*
10 *mination under section 302(a)(4) that the*
11 *individual is eligible under State law to*
12 *vote in the election unless, not later than 3*
13 *days after casting the provisional ballot, the*
14 *individual presents to the official—*

15 “(I) *the identification required*
16 *under subparagraph (A); or*

17 “(II) *an affidavit developed and*
18 *made available to the individual by the*
19 *State attesting that the individual does*
20 *not possess the identification required*
21 *under subparagraph (A) because the*
22 *individual has a religious objection to*
23 *being photographed.*

24 “(ii) *NO EFFECT ON OTHER PROVI-*
25 *SIONAL BALLOTING RULES.*—*Nothing in*

1 *clause (i) may be construed to apply to the*
2 *casting of a provisional ballot pursuant to*
3 *section 302(a) or any State law for reasons*
4 *other than the failure to present the identi-*
5 *fication required under subparagraph (A).*

6 “(2) *INDIVIDUALS VOTING OTHER THAN IN PER-*
7 *SON.—*

8 “(A) *IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any*
9 *other provision of law and except as provided in*
10 *subparagraph (B), the appropriate State or local*
11 *election official may not accept any ballot for an*
12 *election for Federal office provided by an indi-*
13 *vidual who votes other than in person unless the*
14 *individual—*

15 “(i) *submits with the ballot a copy of*
16 *a valid photo identification;*

17 “(ii) *submits with the ballot the last*
18 *four digits of the individual’s Social Secu-*
19 *rity number and an affidavit developed and*
20 *made available to the individual by the*
21 *State attesting that the individual is unable*
22 *to obtain a copy of a valid photo identifica-*
23 *tion after making reasonable efforts to ob-*
24 *tain such a copy; or*

1 “(iii) includes a notarization by a no-
 2 tary public attesting that the individual has
 3 personally marked the ballot.

4 “(B) EXCEPTIONS.—Subparagraph (A) does
 5 not apply with respect to a ballot provided by—

6 “(i) an absent uniformed services voter,
 7 as defined in section 107(1) of the Uni-
 8 formed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Vot-
 9 ing Act (52 U.S.C. 20310(1)); or

10 “(ii) an individual provided the right
 11 to vote otherwise than in person under sec-
 12 tion 3(b)(2)(B)(ii) of the Voting Accessi-
 13 bility for the Elderly and Handicapped Act
 14 (52 U.S.C. 20102(b)(2)(B)(ii)).

15 “(b) PROVIDING PUBLIC ACCESS TO DIGITAL IMAGING
 16 DEVICES.—With respect to each State, the appropriate
 17 State or local government official of the State shall ensure,
 18 to the extent practicable, public access to a digital imaging
 19 device, which shall include a printer, copier, image scanner,
 20 or multifunction machine, at State and local government
 21 buildings in the State, including courts, libraries, and po-
 22 lice stations, for the purpose of allowing individuals to use
 23 such a device at no cost to the individual to make a copy
 24 of a valid photo identification.

1 “(c) *NOTIFICATION OF IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENT*
2 *TO APPLICANTS FOR VOTER REGISTRATION.*—

3 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*Each State shall ensure that,*
4 *at the time an individual applies to register to vote*
5 *in elections for Federal office in the State, the appro-*
6 *priate State or local election official notifies the indi-*
7 *vidual of the photo identification requirements of this*
8 *section.*

9 “(2) *SPECIAL RULE FOR INDIVIDUALS APPLYING*
10 *TO REGISTER TO VOTE ONLINE.*—*Each State shall en-*
11 *sure that, in the case of an individual who applies to*
12 *register to vote in elections for Federal office in the*
13 *State online, the online voter registration system noti-*
14 *fies the individual of the photo identification require-*
15 *ments of this section before the individual completes*
16 *the online registration process.*

17 “(d) *VALID PHOTO IDENTIFICATION DEFINED.*—*For*
18 *purposes of this section, a ‘valid photo identification’*
19 *means, with respect to an individual who seeks to vote in*
20 *an election for Federal office, any of the following:*

21 “(1) *A valid State-issued motor vehicle driver’s*
22 *license that includes a photo of the individual and an*
23 *expiration date.*

1 “(2) *A valid State-issued identification card that*
 2 *includes a photo of the individual and an expiration*
 3 *date issued by a State motor vehicle authority.*

4 “(3) *A valid United States passport for the indi-*
 5 *vidual.*

6 “(4) *A valid photo identification card for the in-*
 7 *dividual issued by the Department of Defense or the*
 8 *Department of Veterans Affairs.*

9 “(5) *A valid identification document issued by a*
 10 *Tribal government that includes a photo of the indi-*
 11 *vidual and an expiration date.”.*

12 (2) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of con-*
 13 *tents of such Act is amended by inserting after the*
 14 *item relating to section 303 the following new item:*

“Sec. 303A. Photo identification requirements.”.

15 (b) *CONFORMING AMENDMENT RELATING TO VOL-*
 16 *UNTARY GUIDANCE BY ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMIS-*
 17 *SION.—Section 311(b) of such Act (52 U.S.C. 21101(b)) is*
 18 *amended—*

19 (1) *by striking “and” at the end of paragraph*
 20 (2);

21 (2) *by striking the period at the end of para-*
 22 *graph (3) and inserting “; and”; and*

23 (3) *by adding at the end the following new para-*
 24 *graph:*

1 “(4) in the case of the recommendations with re-
 2 spect to section 303A, the date that is 90 days after
 3 the date of the enactment of the Voter ID Act.”.

4 (c) *CONFORMING AMENDMENT RELATING TO EN-*
 5 *FORCEMENT.*—Section 401 of such Act (52 U.S.C. 21111)
 6 is amended by striking “sections 301, 302, 303, and 304”
 7 and inserting “subtitle A of title III”.

8 (d) *EFFECTIVE DATE.*—This section and the amend-
 9 ments made by this section shall take effect on the date that
 10 is 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

11 **SEC. 3. GRANT PROGRAM FOR PROVISION OF STATE AND**
 12 **TRIBAL IDENTIFICATION.**

13 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Subtitle D of title II of the Help
 14 America Vote Act of 2002 (Public Law 107–252; 52 U.S.C.
 15 21001 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following
 16 new part:

17 **“PART 7—GRANT PROGRAM FOR PROVISION OF**
 18 **IDENTIFICATION**

19 **“SEC. 298. GRANT PROGRAM FOR PROVISION OF IDENTI-**
 20 **FICATION.**

21 “(a) *GRANTS TO STATES.*—

22 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—The Commission shall make
 23 grants to each State that provides identification de-
 24 scribed in paragraph (2) without charge to any indi-
 25 vidual who—

1 “(A) is eligible for such identification; and

2 “(B) provides an attestation under penalty
3 of perjury that the individual cannot afford to
4 pay the fee otherwise charged by the State for the
5 provision of the identification.

6 “(2) IDENTIFICATION DESCRIBED.—An identi-
7 fication described in this subsection is—

8 “(A) a State-issued motor vehicle driver’s li-
9 cense that includes a photo of the individual and
10 an expiration date; and

11 “(B) an identification card issued by a
12 State motor vehicle authority that includes a
13 photo of the individual and an expiration date.

14 “(b) GRANTS TO TRIBES.—

15 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Commission shall make
16 grants to each Tribal government that provides iden-
17 tification described in paragraph (2) without charge
18 to any individual who—

19 “(A) is eligible for such identification; and

20 “(B) provides an attestation under penalty
21 of perjury that the individual cannot afford to
22 pay such fee.

23 “(2) IDENTIFICATION DESCRIBED.—An identi-
24 fication described in this subsection is an identifica-
25 tion document issued by a Tribal government that in-

1 cludes a photo of the individual and an expiration
2 date.

3 “(3) *TRIBAL GOVERNMENT.*—*In this subsection,*
4 *the term ‘Tribal government’ means the governing*
5 *body of any Indian or Alaska Native tribe, band, na-*
6 *tion, pueblo, village, or community that the Secretary*
7 *of the Interior acknowledges to exist as an Indian*
8 *tribe under the Federally Recognized Indian Tribe*
9 *List Act of 1994 (25 U.S.C. 479a et seq.).”.*

10 (b) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.*—*The table of contents of*
11 *such Act is amended by inserting after the item relating*
12 *to section 296 the following:*

 “PART 7—GRANT PROGRAM FOR PROVISION OF IDENTIFICATION

 “Sec. 298. *Grant program for provision of identification.*”.

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