

HCR 48 -- VOTER ID

SPONSOR: Davis

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Special Committee on Redistricting by a vote of 6 to 3. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules-Legislative by a vote of 8 to 3.

This resolution commends the United States House of Representatives for passing the SAVE Act and urges the United States Senate to follow suit.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that only citizens should be entitled to vote, and proving citizenship is a straightforward and easy process. Additional safeguards to ensure that only citizens are voting increases confidence in elections and far outweighs any inconvenience this may entail. This proposal enjoys widespread and bipartisan support among the public.

Testifying in person for the bill were Representative Davis; and Arnie C. Dienoff.

OPPOSERS: Those who oppose the bill say that this is a solution in search of a problem. Not all people entitled to vote will have access to the documents necessary to prove citizenship. This could disenfranchise eligible voters without providing tangible benefits to elections.

Testifying in person against the bill were Suzanne Opperman; American Civil Liberties Union of Missouri; Alison Kaiser; Marilyn Mcleod; Atsuki Mori; and Karen Sicheneder.

Written testimony has been submitted for this bill. The full written testimony and witnesses testifying online can be found under Testimony on the bill page on the House website.