



Legislation Text

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Council Members Whitman, Adams, Gadus, Komives and Williams

Urging Congress to support S.4263 John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act and H.R. 1 For the People Act of 2021.

WHEREAS, S.4263 John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act responds to current conditions in voting today by restoring the full protections of the original, bipartisan Voting Rights Act of 1965, which was last reauthorized by Congress in 2006, but gutted by the Supreme Court in 2013; and

WHEREAS, The John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act creates a new coverage formula that applies to all states and hinges on a finding of repeated voting rights violations in the preceding 25 years; and

WHEREAS, The John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act establishes a targeted process for reviewing voting changes in jurisdictions nationwide, focused on measures that have historically been used to discriminate against voters; and

WHEREAS, H.R. 1 For the People Act of 2021 will expand Americans' access to the ballot box, reduce the influence of big money in politics, strengthen ethics rules for public servants, and implement other anti-corruption measures for the purpose of fortifying our democracy; NOW, THEREFORE,

Be it resolved by the Council of the City of Toledo:

SECTION 1. That Toledo City Council does hereby urge Congress to support S.4263 John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act and H.R. 1 For the People Act of 2021.

SECTION 2. That the Clerk of Council is hereby ordered to provided certified copies of this Resolution to Senator Sherrod Brown, Senator Rob Portman, Congresswoman Marcy Kaptur, and Congressman Robert Latta.

SECTION 3. That this Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Adopted: May 25, 2021: yeas 11, nays 1.

Attest:

Gerald E. Dendinger
Clerk of Council

Matt Cherry
President of Council

Approved:

May 26, 2021
Wade Kapszukiewicz
Mayor

