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Page 65, beginning line 7, strike “Notwithstanding section 8(a)(1)(D) of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (52 U.S.C. 20507(a)(1)(D)), each State” and inserting “Each State”.

Page 90, insert after line 11 the following:

SEC. 1103. PILOT PROGRAMS FOR ENABLING INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES TO REGISTER TO VOTE PRIVATELY AND INDEPENDENTLY AT RESIDENCES.

(a) Establishment of Pilot Programs.—The Election Assistance Commission (hereafter referred to as the “Commission”) shall, subject to the availability of appropriations to carry out this section, make grants to eligible States to conduct pilot programs under which individuals with disabilities may use electronic means (including the Internet and telephones utilizing assistive devices) to register to vote and to request and receive absentee ballots in a manner which permits such individuals to do so privately and independently at their own residences.

(b) Reports.—
(1) IN GENERAL.—A State receiving a grant for a year under this section shall submit a report to the Commission on the pilot programs the State carried out with the grant with respect to elections for public office held in the State during the year.

(2) DEADLINE.—A State shall submit a report under paragraph (1) not later than 90 days after the last election for public office held in the State during the year.

(c) ELIGIBILITY.—A State is eligible to receive a grant under this section if the State submits to the Commission, at such time and in such form as the Commission may require, an application containing such information and assurances as the Commission may require.

(d) TIMING.—The Commission shall make the first grants under this section for pilot programs which will be in effect with respect to elections for Federal office held in 2020, or, at the option of a State, with respect to other elections for public office held in the State in 2020.

(e) STATE DEFINED.—In this section, the term “State” includes the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the United States Virgin Islands, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Page 123, line 7, strike “lot.” and insert “lot;”.
Page 153, line 3, strike “shall make” and insert “shall, subject to the availability of appropriations provided to carry out this section, make”.

Strike section 1903 (and redesignate the succeeding provisions accordingly).

Page 184, line 18, strike “section 1904(a)” and insert “section 1903(a)”.

Page 185, line 8, strike “section 1904(c)” and insert “section 1903(c)”.

Page 199, line 3, strike “Findings Relating to”.

Page 200, after line 2, insert the following:

SEC. 2302. CONGRESSIONAL TASK FORCE ON VOTING RIGHTS OF UNITED STATES CITIZEN RESIDENTS OF TERRITORIES OF THE UNITED STATES.

(a) Establishment.—There is established within the legislative branch a Congressional Task Force on Voting Rights of United States Citizen Residents of Territories of the United States (in this section referred to as the “Task Force”).

(b) Membership.—The Task Force shall be composed of 12 members as follows:
(1) One Member of the House of Representatives, who shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, in coordination with the Chairman of the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives.

(2) One Member of the House of Representatives, who shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, in coordination with the Chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives.

(3) One Member of the House of Representatives, who shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, in coordination with the Chairman of the Committee on House Administration of the House of Representatives.

(4) One Member of the House of Representatives, who shall be appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, in coordination with the ranking minority member of the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives.

(5) One Member of the House of Representatives, who shall be appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, in coordination
with the ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives.

(6) One Member of the House of Representatives, who shall be appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, in coordination with the ranking minority member of the Committee on House Administration of the House of Representatives.

(7) One Member of the Senate, who shall be appointed by the Majority Leader of the Senate, in coordination with the Chairman of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate.

(8) One Member of the Senate, who shall be appointed by the Majority Leader of the Senate, in coordination with the Chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary of the Senate.

(9) One Member of the Senate, who shall be appointed by the Majority Leader of the Senate, in coordination with the Chairman of the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate.

(10) One Member of the Senate, who shall be appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate, in coordination with the ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate.
(11) One Member of the Senate, who shall be appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate, in coordination with the ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary of the Senate.

(12) One Member of the Senate, who shall be appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate, in coordination with the ranking minority member of the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate.

(c) DEADLINE FOR APPOINTMENT.—All appointments to the Task Force shall be made not later than 30 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

(d) CHAIR.—The Speaker shall designate one Member to serve as chair of the Task Force.

(e) VACANCIES.—Any vacancy in the Task Force shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment.

(f) STATUS UPDATE.—Between September 1, 2019, and September 30, 2019, the Task Force shall provide a status update to the House of Representatives and the Senate that includes—

(1) information the Task Force has collected; and
(2) a discussion on matters that the chairman
of the Task Force deems urgent for consideration by
Congress.

(g) REPORT.—Not later than December 31, 2019,
the Task Force shall issue a report of its findings to the
House of Representatives and the Senate regarding—

(1) the economic and societal consequences
(through statistical data and other metrics) that
come with political disenfranchisement of United
States citizens in territories of the United States;

(2) impediments to full and equal voting rights
for United States citizens who are residents of terrri-
tories of the United States in Federal elections, in-
cluding the election of the President and Vice Presi-
dent of the United States;

(3) impediments to full and equal voting rep-
resentation in the House of Representatives for
United States citizens who are residents of terrri-
tories of the United States;

(4) recommended changes that, if adopted,
would allow for full and equal voting rights for
United States citizens who are residents of terrri-
tories of the United States in Federal elections, in-
cluding the election of the President and Vice Presi-
dent of the United States;
(5) recommended changes that, if adopted, would allow for full and equal voting representation in the House of Representatives for United States citizens who are residents of territories of the United States; and

(6) additional information the Task Force deems appropriate.

(h) CONSENSUS VIEWS.—To the greatest extent practicable, the report issued under subsection (g) shall reflect the shared views of all 12 Members, except that the report may contain dissenting views.

(i) HEARINGS AND SESSIONS.—The Task Force may, for the purpose of carrying out this section, hold hearings, sit and act at times and places, take testimony, and receive evidence as the Task Force considers appropriate.

(j) STAKEHOLDER PARTICIPATION.—In carrying out its duties, the Task Force shall consult with the governments of American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the United States Virgin Islands.

(k) RESOURCES.—The Task Force shall carry out its duties by utilizing existing facilities, services, and staff of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

(l) TERMINATION.—The Task Force shall terminate upon issuing the report required under subsection (g).
Page 211, line 22, strike “in which” and insert “in which all application materials”.

Page 230, strike lines 13 through 24 and insert the following:

(D) Districts shall respect communities of interest, neighborhoods, and political subdivisions to the extent practicable and after compliance with the requirements of subparagraphs (A) through (C). A community of interest is defined as an area with recognized similarities of interests, including but not limited to ethnic, racial, economic, social, cultural, geographic or historic identities. The term communities of interest may, in certain circumstances, include political subdivisions such as counties, municipalities, or school districts, but shall not include common relationships with political parties or political candidates.

Page 231, line 14, strike “paragraph (1)” and insert “paragraph (1), paragraph (2),”.

Page 250, line 17, strike “section 2413(e)” and insert “section 2413(f)”.
Page 251, line 11, strike “shall make” and insert “shall, subject to the availability of appropriations provided pursuant to subsection (e), make”.

Page 257, line 5, strike “paragraph (2)” and insert “paragraph (1)”.

Page 258, line 3, strike “information how” and all that follows through line 7 and insert the following: “information on how the former registrant may contest the removal or be reinstated, including a telephone number for the appropriate election official.”.

Page 263, line 11, strike “section 1906(a)” and insert “section 1905(a)”.

Page 272, line 21, strike “section 1906(b)” and insert “section 1905(b)”.

Page 278, line 7, strike “sections 1906(a)” and insert “sections 1905(a)”.

Page 283, line 11, strike “sections 1906(b)” and insert “sections 1905(b)”.

Page 285, line 5, strike “to improve” and insert “improve”.

Page 295, line 3, strike “but may contain a classified annex”.
Page 295, insert after line 3 the following:

(e) CIVIL RIGHTS REVIEW.—Not later than 60 days after the issuance of the national strategy required under subsection (a), and not later than 60 days after the issuance of the implementation plan required under subsection (c), the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board (established under section 1061 of the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 (42 U.S.C. 2000ee)) shall submit a report to Congress on any potential privacy and civil liberties impacts of such strategy and implementation plan, respectively.

Amend section 4101 to read as follows:

SEC. 4101. CLARIFICATION OF PROHIBITION ON PARTICIPATION BY FOREIGN NATIONALS IN ELECTION-RELATED ACTIVITIES.

(a) CLARIFICATION OF PROHIBITION.—Section 319(a) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30121(a)) is amended—

(1) by striking “or” at the end of paragraph (1);

(2) by striking the period at the end of paragraph (2) and inserting “; or”; and

(3) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:
“(3) a foreign national to direct, dictate, control, or directly or indirectly participate in the decision making process of any person (including a corporation, labor organization, political committee, or political organization) with regard to such person’s Federal or non-Federal election-related activity, including any decision concerning the making of contributions, donations, expenditures, or disbursements in connection with an election for any Federal, State, or local office or any decision concerning the administration of a political committee.”.

(b) Certification of Compliance.—Section 319 of such Act (52 U.S.C. 30121) is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

“(c) Certification of Compliance Required Prior to Carrying Out Activity.—Prior to the making in connection with an election for Federal office of any contribution, donation, expenditure, independent expenditure, or disbursement for an electioneering communication by a corporation, limited liability corporation, or partnership during a year, the chief executive officer of the corporation, limited liability corporation, or partnership (or, if the corporation, limited liability corporation, or partnership does not have a chief executive officer, the highest ranking official of the corporation, limited liability cor-
poration, or partnership), shall file a certification with the Commission, under penalty of perjury, that a foreign national did not direct, dictate, control, or directly or indirectly participate in the decision making process relating to such activity in violation of subsection (a)(3), unless the chief executive officer has previously filed such a certification during that calendar year.”.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall take effect upon the expiration of the 180-day period which begins on the date of the enactment of this Act, and shall take effect without regard to whether or not the Federal Election Commission has promulgated regulations to carry out such amendments.

Page 353, strike line 25 and all that follows through page 354, line 16 and insert the following:

(1) in paragraph (8)(B)(v), by striking “on broadcasting stations, or in newspapers, magazines, or similar types of general public political advertising” and inserting “in any public communication”; and

Page 368, line 6, strike “This Act” and insert “This subtitle”.

Page 383, insert after line 9 the following new section:
SEC. 4402. REPEAL OF REVENUE PROCEDURE THAT ELIMINATED REQUIREMENT TO REPORT INFORMATION REGARDING CONTRIBUTORS TO CERTAIN TAX-EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS.

Revenue Procedure 2018–38 shall have no force and effect.

Page 404, line 20, strike “(3)” and insert “(4)”.

Page 440, insert after line 2 the following (and redesignate the succeeding provisions accordingly):

“(1) ASSESSMENTS AGAINST FINES, SETTLEMENTS, AND PENALTIES.—Amounts transferred under section 3015 of title 18, United States Code, section 9707 of title 31, United States Code, and section 6761 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.”.

Page 453, line 16, strike “(5)” and insert “(6)”.

Page 453, line 19, strike “(5)” and insert “(6)”.

Page 454, insert after line 23 the following (and redesignate the succeeding section accordingly):

SEC. 5114. ASSESSMENTS AGAINST FINES AND PENALTIES.

(a) ASSESSMENTS RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES.—
Chapter 201 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

"§ 3015. Special assessments for Freedom From Influence Fund

(a) Assessments.—

(1) Convictions of Crimes.—In addition to any assessment imposed under this chapter, the court shall assess on any organizational defendant or any defendant who is a corporate officer or person with equivalent authority in any other organization who is convicted of a criminal offense under Federal law an amount equal to 2.75 percent of any fine imposed on that defendant in the sentence imposed for that conviction.

(2) Settlements.—The court shall assess on any organizational defendant or defendant who is a corporate officer or person with equivalent authority in any other organization who has entered into a settlement agreement or consent decree with the United States in satisfaction of any allegation that the defendant committed a criminal offense under Federal law an amount equal to 2.75 percent of the amount of the settlement."
“(b) MANNER OF COLLECTION.—An amount assessed under subsection (a) shall be collected in the manner in which fines are collected in criminal cases.

“(c) TRANSFERS.—In a manner consistent with section 3302(b) of title 31, there shall be transferred from the General Fund of the Treasury to the Freedom From Influence Fund under section 541 of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 an amount equal to the amount of the assessments collected under this section.”.

(2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections of chapter 201 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

“3015. Special assessments for Freedom From Influence Fund.”.

(b) ASSESSMENTS RELATING TO CIVIL PENALTIES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 97 of title 31, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

“§ 9707. Special assessments for Freedom From Influence Fund

“(a) ASSESSMENTS.—

“(1) CIVIL PENALTIES.—Any entity of the Federal Government which is authorized under any law, rule, or regulation to impose a civil penalty shall assess on each person, other than a natural person who is not a corporate officer or person with equiva-
lent authority in any other organization, on whom such a penalty is imposed an amount equal to 2.75 percent of the amount of the penalty.

“(2) Administrative Penalties.—Any entity of the Federal Government which is authorized under any law, rule, or regulation to impose an administrative penalty shall assess on each person, other than a natural person who is not a corporate officer or person with equivalent authority in any other organization, on whom such a penalty is imposed an amount equal to 2.75 percent of the amount of the penalty.

“(3) Settlements.—Any entity of the Federal Government which is authorized under any law, rule, or regulation to enter into a settlement agreement or consent decree with any person, other than a natural person who is not a corporate officer or person with equivalent authority in any other organization, in satisfaction of any allegation of an action or omission by the person which would be subject to a civil penalty or administrative penalty shall assess on such person an amount equal to 2.75 percent of the amount of the settlement.

“(b) Manner of Collection.—An amount assessed under subsection (a) shall be collected—
“(1) in the case of an amount assessed under paragraph (1) of such subsection, in the manner in which civil penalties are collected by the entity of the Federal Government involved; and

“(2) in the case of an amount assessed under paragraph (2) of such subsection, in the manner in which administrative penalties are collected by the entity of the Federal Government involved.

“(3) in the case of an amount assessed under paragraph (3) of such subsection, in the manner in which amounts are collected pursuant to settlement agreements or consent decrees entered into by the entity of the Federal Government involved;

“(c) TRANSFERS.—In a manner consistent with section 3302(b) of this title, there shall be transferred from the General Fund of the Treasury to the Freedom From Influence Fund under section 541 of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 an amount equal to the amount of the assessments collected under this section.

“(d) EXCEPTION FOR PENALTIES AND SETTLEMENTS UNDER AUTHORITY OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—No assessment shall be made under subsection (a) with respect to any civil or administrative penalty imposed, or any settlement
agreement or consent decree entered into, under the authority of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

“(2) CROSS REFERENCE.—For application of special assessments for the Freedom From Influence Fund with respect to certain penalties under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, see section 6761 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.”.

(2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections of chapter 97 of title 31, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

“9707. Special assessments for Freedom From Influence Fund.”.

(c) ASSESSMENTS RELATING TO CERTAIN PENALTIES UNDER THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 68 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end the following new subchapter:

“Subchapter D—Special Assessments for Freedom From Influence Fund

“SEC. 6761. SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR FREEDOM FROM INFLUENCE FUND.

“(a) IN GENERAL.—Each person required to pay a covered penalty shall pay an additional amount equal to 2.75 percent of the amount of such penalty.

“(b) COVERED PENALTY.—For purposes of this section, the term ‘covered penalty’ means any addition to tax,
additional amount, penalty, or other liability provided under subchapter A or B.

“(c) Exception for Certain Individuals.—

“(1) In general.—In the case of a taxpayer who is an individual, subsection (a) shall not apply to any covered penalty if such taxpayer is an exempt taxpayer for the taxable year for which such covered penalty is assessed.

“(2) Exempt taxpayer.—For purposes of this subsection, a taxpayer is an exempt taxpayer for any taxable year if the taxable income of such taxpayer for such taxable year does not exceed the dollar amount at which begins the highest rate bracket in effect under section 1 with respect to such taxpayer for such taxable year.

“(d) Application of Certain Rules.—Except as provided in subsection (e), the additional amount determined under subsection (a) shall be treated for purposes of this title in the same manner as the covered penalty to which such additional amount relates.

“(e) Transfer to Freedom From Influence Fund.—The Secretary shall deposit any additional amount under subsection (a) in the General Fund of the Treasury and shall transfer from such General Fund to the Freedom From Influence Fund established under sec-
tion 541 of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 an amount equal to the amounts so deposited (and, not-withstanding subsection (d), such additional amount shall not be the basis for any deposit, transfer, credit, appro-

priation, or any other payment, to any other trust fund or account). Rules similar to the rules of section 9601 shall apply for purposes of this subsection.”.

(2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sub-

chapters for chapter 68 of such Code is amended by adding at the end the following new item:

“SUBCHAPTER D—SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR FREEDOM FROM INFLUENCE FUND”.

(d) EFFECTIVE DATES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-

graph (2), the amendments made by this section shall apply with respect to convictions, agreements, and penalties which occur on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(2) ASSESSMENTS RELATING TO CERTAIN PEN-

ALTIES UNDER THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986.—The amendments made by subsection (c) shall apply to covered penalties assessed after the date of the enactment of this Act.

Page 460, line 5, strike “9034(a)” and insert “9034(b)”. 
Page 460, line 6, strike “Every” and insert “The total”.

Page 460, line 8, strike “Every” and insert “The total”.

Page 490, insert after line 6 the following:

(6) Working mothers, those caring for their elderly parents, and young professionals who rely on their jobs for health insurance should have the freedom to run to serve the people of the United States. Their networks and net worth are simply not the best indicators of their strength as prospective public servants. In fact, helping ordinary Americans to run may create better policy for all Americans.

Page 490, line 20, strike “EXPENDITURES” and insert “EXPENDITURE”.

Page 493, strike lines 1 through 5 and insert the following:

“(D) Health insurance premiums.”.

Page 618, strike lines 1 through 7 and insert the following:

(3) The term “income tax return” means, with respect to an individual, any return (as such term is
defined in section 6103(b)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, except that such term shall not include declarations of estimated tax) of—

(A) such individual, other than information returns issued to persons other than such individual, or

(B) of any corporation, partnership, or trust in which such individual holds, directly or indirectly, a significant interest as the sole or principal owner or the sole or principal beneficial owner (as such terms are defined in regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury or his delegate).