



## S.4: Still the “Pelosi Power Grab Act”

*Senate Democrats claim the latest version of S.4 is a bipartisan compromise. In reality, it is the same set of bad policies meant to stop states from making it easy to vote and hard to cheat.*

### ELECTIONS ARE SETTING RECORDS FOR DIVERSITY AND TURNOUT

- As voter turnout has soared to near [record highs](#) in recent years, Liberal special interests are trying to demonize election safeguards and claim voter suppression.
- Minority turnout rose significantly, with African American and Hispanic voter turnout both [increasing](#) in 2020 compared to 2016.
- Two-thirds of adult citizens voted in 2020, the most in [120 years](#), and nearly every state hit a [record high](#) in turnout. 17 million more Americans voted in 2020 compared to 2016.
- Turnout jumped up 5 percentage points in 2020, from 61.4% in 2016 to 67% in 2020.

### STILL A FEDERAL POWER GRAB BASED ON PARTISAN POLITICS

- The left claims this legislation is needed to stop voter suppression, but federal law already protects voters from discrimination. A new law is not needed.
- S.4 gives the federal government control over all 50 states’ elections through a process called “preclearance.” The Supreme Court ended “preclearance” in the case *Shelby County v. Holder*.
- On day one, the federal government would have the power to stop every state from adopting certain provisions, like voter ID and improvements to the way they clean up voter rolls.
- Every new voting provision could be overruled by the federal government once enough special interest groups sue a state to trigger “preclearance.”
  - Special interests do not even need to win their cases; if a state or locality settles the case it brings the state closer to federal control, opening the door to collusive litigation.
  - A single lawsuit can count as multiple “violations.” S4 potentially puts every state just one lawsuit away from a federal takeover of its elections.

### SETS THE STAGE FOR A NEW WAVE OF LAWSUITS BY LIBERAL GROUPS

- The bill encourages left-wing activists to target states for political reasons and sue to manipulate their voting laws—and ultimately to give Washington the power to overrule their election laws.
- Progressive groups and the Democratic Party have virtually limitless resources for lawsuits. They filed over 200 lawsuits before the 2020 election.
- S4 rewrites the rules to make it easier for left-wing groups to win cases they would otherwise lose.

### AMERICANS WANT SECURE ELECTIONS

- Americans want it to be easy to vote, and hard to cheat. 65% of Americans [support](#) strengthening election safeguards; only 21% prefer to roll back safeguards to make it “easier” to vote.
- Voter ID is getting more popular. 81% of voters [support](#) photo ID laws, including 77% of Black and 78% of Hispanic voters. 67% of Democrats and 82% of Independents support ID laws, too.
- The left continues to choose fringe activists over mainstream voters. The law is designed to block overwhelmingly popular laws that safeguard ballots and build confidence in elections.