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H. R. 4026  

To prohibit election officials from requiring an individual to provide a photo identification as a condition for voting in an election for Federal office.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  

OCTOBER 31, 2007  

Mr. ELLISON (for himself, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Ms. LEE, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. WATT, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. McCOLLUM of Minnesota, Mr. NADLER, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Ms. WATERS, and Mr. KUCINICH) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration

A BILL  

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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 Access Protection Act of 2007”.


SEC. 2. PROHIBITING ELECTION OFFICIALS FROM REQUIRING PHOTO IDENTIFICATION AS CONDITION FOR VOTING.

(a) In General.—Subtitle A of title III of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (42 U.S.C. 15481 et seq.) is amended by inserting after section 303 the following new section:

“SEC. 303A. PROHIBITING ELECTION OFFICIALS FROM REQUIRING INDIVIDUALS TO PROVIDE PHOTO IDENTIFICATION.

“(a) In General.—An election official may not require an individual to provide a photo identification as a condition for receiving or casting a ballot in any election for Federal office.

“(b) Effective Date.—This section shall apply with respect to elections occurring after the date of the enactment of the Voter Access Protection Act of 2007.”.

(b) Conforming Amendment Relating to Enforcement.—Section 401 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 15511) is amended by striking “and 303” and inserting “303, and 303A”.

(c) Clerical Amendment.—The table of contents of such Act is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 303 the following:
“Sec. 303A. Prohibiting election officials from requiring individuals to provide photo identification.”