

Undercut Our Right to Vote

The Arizona Legislature passed a law to prevent mail-in ballots from being sent to voters unless they specifically requested them. The Arizona Legislature passed HB2905, which prevents county recorders from automatically sending mail-in ballots to all voters, unless they have specifically requested them. The bill passed the House 31-26 on 6/25/21 and the Senate on 16-12 on 6/30/21. Governor Doug Ducey signed the bill on 7/9/21. [[HB 2905](#), Passed House 31-26, 6/25/21; Passed Senate, 16-12, 6/30/21; Signed into law, 7/9/21]

The Arizona Legislature passed a law to purge voters from the permanent early voter list. The Arizona Legislature passed SB1485, which renames the Permanent Early Voters List to the Active Early Voters list and then purges it removing voters from the list if they don't use their early ballot at least once in two straight two-year election cycles, and if they don't respond to a notice from county officials that warns them of the removal. The bill originally passed the Senate 16-14 on 3/2/21, Passed the House, 31-29 on 4/20/21, and its final version passed the Senate, 16-14 on 5/11/21. [[HB1485](#), Passed Senate 16-14, 3/2/21; Passed House, 31-29, 4/20/21; Final version passed Senate, 16-14, 5/11/21]

The Arizona House passed and the Arizona Senate defeated by one vote a bill that would have banned unsupervised ballot dropboxes. On May 23, 2022, the Arizona Senate defeated HB2238, a bill that would have banned unsupervised ballot drop boxes, by one vote, with 15 nos and 14 yeas. The bill would have “required all drop-off locations to either be monitored by election workers or through 24/7 video surveillance.” The bill previously passed the House 31-27 on 3/3/22] [12News.com. [5/23/22](#); [HB2238](#), Passed House 31-27, 3/3/22; Failed in Senate 14-15, 5/23/22]

Prior to defeating the bill, the Arizona Senate failed to amend the bill to ban ballot dropboxes entirely. While debating the bill on the Senate floor, Senator Michelle Urgenti-Rita introduced an amendment that would ban ballot dropboxes entirely. The amendment failed on the floor with 8 yeas and 21 nays. [[HB2238](#), Urgenti Floor amendment, failed 8-21, 5/23/22]

The Arizona State Senate Government Committee passed a bill that would have eliminated all early and mail-in voting. On March 22, 2022, the Arizona State Senate passed HB2289, which had been re-written to ban all mail-in and early voting, by a 4-3 vote. The bill also required that all ballots be hand-counted within 24 hours of an election. The bill was never heard in the House and never proceeded in the Senate [[HB2289](#), Strike-all amendment passed Senate Government Committee, 4-3. 3/22/22; KOLD News 13, [3/22/22](#)]

The Arizona Legislature passed and Governor Doug Ducey signed a law that requires proof of citizenship for voting. On March 30, 2022, Governor Doug Ducey signed HB2492, which requires voters to provide proof of citizenship in order to vote. Despite being warned by both lawyers in both the House and the Senate that the bill likely unconstitutional, it passed the House 31-26 on

February 28, 2022 and passed the Senate 16-12 on March 23, 2022. [HB 2492, Passed House 31-26. 2/28/22; Passed Senate 16-12. 3/23/22; Azcentral.com, [3/28/22](#)]