

118TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 4492

To amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to require the District of Columbia to accept a current and valid photo identification of an individual which is issued by a Tribal Government for the purposes of registering to vote and voting in a District of Columbia election, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 6, 2023

Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration

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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 “American Confidence
5 in Elections: District of Columbia Tribal Voter Identifica-
6 tion Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON RANKED CHOICE VOTING WITH**
2 **RESPECT TO DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ELEC-**
3 **TIONS.**

4 (a) REQUIREMENTS.—Title III of the Help America
5 Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21081 et seq.) is amended—

6 (1) by redesignating sections 304 and 305 as
7 sections 305 and 306, respectively; and

8 (2) by inserting after section 303 the following
9 new section:

10 **“SEC. 304. REQUIRING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A TRIBAL GOV-**
11 **ERNMENT ISSUED PHOTO IDENTIFICATION**
12 **WITH RESPECT TO A DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**
13 **ELECTION.**

14 “(a) IN GENERAL.—With respect to an individual
15 submitting an application to register to vote, receiving a
16 ballot, or casting a voted ballot in a District of Columbia
17 election, the District of Columbia shall accept any current
18 and valid photo identification of the individual which is
19 issued by a Tribal Government as sufficient to meet any
20 identification requirements for such purposes.

21 “(b) DEFINITIONS.—For the purposes of this section,
22 the following definitions apply:

23 “(1) DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ELECTION.—The
24 term ‘District of Columbia election’ means any elec-
25 tion for public office in the District of Columbia, in-

1 cluding an election for Federal office, and any ballot
2 initiative or referendum.

3 “(2) INDIAN TRIBE.—The term ‘Indian Tribe’
4 has the meaning given the term ‘Indian tribe’ in sec-
5 tion 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Edu-
6 cation Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5304).

7 “(3) TRIBAL GOVERNMENT.—The term ‘Tribal
8 Government’ means the recognized governing body
9 of an Indian Tribe.”.

10 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT RELATING TO EN-
11 FORCEMENT.—Section 401 of the Help America Vote Act
12 of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21111) is amended by striking “and
13 303” and inserting “303, and 304”.

14 (c) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents
15 of such Act is amended—

16 (1) by redesignating the items relating to sec-
17 tions 304 and 305 as relating to sections 305 and
18 306, respectively; and

19 (2) by inserting after the item relating to sec-
20 tion 303 the following new item:

“Sec. 304. Requiring the acceptance of a Tribal Government issued identifica-
tion with respect to a District of Columbia election.”.

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