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S. 3485

To ensure that the right to vote shall not be impaired due to vaccination status.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 12 (legislative day, JANUARY 10), 2022

Mr. CRUZ introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and 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 “Securing Enfranchise-
5 ment and the Rights of Voters regardless of Inoculation
6 Status Act” or the “SERVIS Act”.

7 **SEC. 2. RIGHT TO VOTE SHALL NOT BE IMPAIRED.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—It shall be unlawful for any State
9 or political subdivision, as such term is used in the Voting
10 Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. 10301 et seq.), to require

1 or impose a requirement that a voter or voters must
2 present a vaccine passport or otherwise present informa-
3 tion regarding their vaccination status in order to exercise
4 the right to vote, including to vote in person, in any elec-
5 tion involving any candidate for Federal office.

6 (b) MASKING REQUIREMENT.—A State or political
7 subdivision may require that a voter wear a mask in order
8 to enter a polling location only if—

9 (1) the State or political subdivision makes
10 readily available and at no cost to the voter or any
11 individual who accompanies the voter a mask suffi-
12 cient to comply with any applicable masking require-
13 ment; and

14 (2) the State or political subdivision provides
15 reasonable accommodation from such requirement
16 for individuals with a disability as recognized under
17 the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42
18 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.).

19 (c) DEFINITION.—For purposes of this section, the
20 term “vaccination status” means—

21 (1) an individual’s status based on the vol-
22 untary election to receive or not to receive a
23 COVID–19 vaccine; and

24 (2) regardless of whether someone has or has
25 not been vaccinated against COVID–19, an individ-

1 ual's status with respect to having or producing
2 proof of such vaccination in the form of a vaccine
3 passport or other medical records that would dem-
4 onstrate whether an individual has been vaccinated
5 against COVID-19.

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