

Open Democracy Voting Alerts - Week of Feb 2

👍 We're also glad to share some good news from the State House: one of our top-priority bills from last week's email, [HB 1382](#), **received a swift recommendation of ITL during its public hearing on Tuesday**. The prime sponsor acknowledged during the hearing that the bill conflicts with federal law and requested it be ITL'd. The bill would have required certain overseas voters to provide documentary proof of citizenship before voting, even though these voters are already eligible under federal law. Thanks to those of you who weighed in to help call this out!



This week in NH Election Law...

- The [Senate Election Law Committee](#) will meet in Room 122-123 of the State House at 9:15AM on 2/3.
- The House Election Law Committee will meet in Room 158 of 1 Granite Place at 9:00AM on 2/3.
 - 9AM: [Full Committee Work Session on HB 1600](#) (would enable DMV voter registration 🚗🗳️)
 - 10AM: [Public Hearing](#)
 - 10:10AM: [Executive Session](#)

The following actions, along with additional resources, can also be found on our website [HERE](#). We also host **volunteer meetings twice a week** (our ODA Teams!) where we discuss these efforts, share updates, and strategize together in real time. Feel free to drop in when you can or come every week—sign up [HERE](#) to join the team and receive the Zoom link!

Want to stay better connected with ODA? [Join our Slack workspace](#). This will be an especially helpful tool for fast communication throughout the legislative session.

1. Take Action Tuesday: Sign in & Testify on Key Election Law Bills

★ Top Priority: **OPPOSING HB 1062** ✖️

- 🕒 If you have limited time, this is the most important bill to take action on. You can participate online or in person. Sign in before midnight on Tuesday, 2/3.

OPPOSE HB 1062: This bill gives the Secretary of State broad authority to conduct *random audits of voters' citizenship status* after they are already registered. [New Hampshire does not have a voter fraud problem](#)—this bill pretends we do, and that lie matters. HB 1062 casts suspicion on eligible voters and

fuels conspiracy theories instead of strengthening trust in elections. Random "audits" of citizenship don't improve security—they spread fear, confusion, and distrust.

At a time when [election laws are already changing rapidly](#), this bill pulls attention and resources away from what actually helps voters: education, clarity, and smooth elections. This is not about integrity. It's about keeping fear alive.

- [Link to Sign in on House Bills](#)
- [Link to Email House Election Law Committee](#)
- [Link to amplify social media post](#)

Hearing Schedule & Sign-In Links

You can sign in on as many bills as you wish—supporting pro-voter bills and opposing harmful ones sends a powerful message.

-  ***Be sure to sign in before midnight on Tuesday, 2/3.***

Support or Oppose?	Bill	Action *Click for Links*
Oppose 	<u>SB405</u> This bill increases the limits on certain campaign donations reported by political committees.	Public Hearing: 2/3/26 at 9:45 a.m. Location: State House Room 122-123 Committee: Senate Election Law <u>Link to Sign in on Senate Bills</u>
Oppose 	<u>HB1223</u> This bill enables the moderator to conduct a hand count of ballots in order to verify the device count during an election.	Public Hearing: 2/3/26 at 1:00 p.m. Location: 1 Granite Place Room 158 Committee: House Election Law <u>Link to Sign in on House Bills</u>
Oppose 	<u>HB1062</u> This bill authorizes the secretary of state to conduct random audits of the citizen qualification of registered voters.	Public Hearing: 2/3/26 at 1:40 p.m. Location: 1 Granite Place Room 158 Committee: House Election Law <u>Link to Sign in on House Bills</u>

		<u>Bills</u> <u>Link to Email House Election Law Committee</u> <u>NHCVR Talking Points</u>
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2. Key Bills Could Be Voted on Tuesday: Urge the House Election Law Committee to Advance Pro-Voter Bills—and Kill Harmful Ones

The House Election Law Committee will also move into a [work session](#) (HB 1600) and [executive session](#) on Tuesday 2/3, where members will discuss possible amendments and potentially vote on whether to recommend **Ought to Pass** (OTP) or **Inexpedient to Legislate** (ITL) before the bills move to the full House for a floor vote.

🕒 If you have limited time, we recommend [emailing the committee to ITL HB 1520](#)—it would create chaos, confusion, and legal uncertainty by inventing a definition of "New Hampshire citizenship"—while solving no real problem.

➡ Each bill has its own email link. Click the link next to a bill to quickly send a pre-drafted, customizable message to the full committee.

Support or Oppose?	Bill	Action *Click for Links*
Support 	<u>HB1600</u> requiring the division of motor vehicles to make available the opportunity to register to vote at the time of application for or renewal of a drivers license or nondrivers identification card.	<u>Email the committee</u>
Oppose 	<u>HB1520</u> defining citizenship for the purposes of voting.	<u>Email the committee</u> <u>Share social media post</u> 📱 <u>NHCVR Talking Points</u>
Support	<u>HB1201</u> requiring certain political committees to disclose the identity of their donors.	<u>Email the committee</u>

		
Support 	HB1838 establishing a voter-owned elections fund and commission and raising vehicle registration fees.	Email the committee

3. Urge Reps. Pappas and Goodlander to Oppose the MEGA Act (Make Elections Great Again Act)

On January 29, House Republicans unveiled their latest attempt to suppress the vote, the **Make Elections Great Again Act (MEGA)**. This legislation would be even more sweeping than the SAVE Act, which focuses mainly on requiring voters to produce documentary proof of citizenship when registering. It would:

- Impose a strict photo ID requirement to vote,
- create a centralized voter surveillance system in every state,
- mandate constant voter roll purges, gutting the “Motor Voter” law that expanded access to voter registration,
- bar states from counting ballots that arrive after Election Day,
- ban universal mail voting, in which states mail a ballot to all registered voters,
- bar the federal funding for voter registration by outside groups,
- and unleash lawsuits against election officials. ([Democracy Docket](#))

Taken together, these provisions would block eligible voters, override states’ authority to run their own elections, and further undermine trust in our democracy—all based on false claims of widespread voter fraud.

→ [Click to email your Member of Congress and urge them to oppose the MEGA Act.](#)
