



Ballot Argument in Opposition to “Arizonans for Free & Fair Elections Act”

Protect Election Integrity. Prevent Fraud. Vote NO on “Arizonans for Free & Fair Elections Act.”

This lengthy, convoluted initiative funded by out-of-state tech industry billionaires, would open up Arizona’s election process to potential manipulation. The name of the initiative is misleading. In fact, this initiative would do the opposite of making elections “fair.” It would instead create a disadvantage for the typical Arizona voter.

This Act would allow “ballot harvesting” or the ability for one person to turn in another person’s early ballot. Any U.S. citizen who has lived in Arizona for a single day could be counted as a resident of our state and allowed to vote in our elections. It would further allow someone to vote on the same day they register, increasing the potential for ineligible people to vote.

This Act would limit legal reviews of initiative petitions, making it more likely that fraudulent or misleading measures could make it onto the ballot. It would be easier for paid petition circulators to avoid complying with the law on how, where, and when signatures must be collected. This would make it more likely that petitions with forged signatures, multiple signatures from the same person, or other problems would be accepted.

To make matters worse, this initiative would take away rights from individuals, burden taxpayers, and provide government funding to candidates who don’t have enough support to raise their own campaign funds. As the cost of financing a campaign goes up, individual donors would be allowed to contribute less, pushing more candidates into a government financed election scheme. Under this system, all candidates for a given office would receive the same amount of taxpayer funds, making it harder for someone who does not already have name recognition to get their message across to the voters.

Vote NO on misnamed “Arizonans for Free & Fair Elections” to protect our elections!