

CURRENT THREATS TO WASHINGTON STATE VOTING RIGHTS:

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The FATSAT group chose, as one of its priorities for 2026, to focus on barriers to voting, interference with voting procedures, etc., as they might affect Washington state voters.

The SAVE Act (proposed federal law about voting in the United States) is being discussed by Congress but has not received a final vote yet. It is not clear at this time if it has the votes to pass. I will pull more information on the current status when I have time.

A **more immediate threat** to WA State voting rights is Executive Order 14399, issued by the President on March 31, 2026. In a nutshell, this Executive Order (EO) directs the Department of Homeland Security to create a “State Citizenship List” for each state; directs the Post Office to implement new and restrictive requirements for mail-in ballots; and directs the federal Attorney Generals to prosecute people who fail to follow the EO requirements.

I have attached both the actual Executive Order and the White House summary explanation of its provisions.

On April 3, 2026, the Washington State Attorney General, along with numerous other states, filed suit in federal District Court to challenge the “unlawful” Executive Order that seeks to restrict voter eligibility and mail-in voting.

I have attached the WA Attorney General’s press release explaining the lawsuit, as well as the actual text of the court filing (called the “Complaint.”).

At this time, this is background information about the most pressing threat to WA State voting rights, and is provided for our awareness. I urge you to read the materials so that should we need to take action, we are already well-informed.