



“Voting is the most precious right of every citizen, and we have a moral obligation to ensure the integrity of our voting process.”

Hillary Rodham Clinton, first lady, Senator and U.S. Secretary of State, in reference to the Count Every Vote Act (2005)

The purpose of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 was to help states improve the administration of elections including improved accessibility of polling places for disabled voters and the replacement of older punch card or lever voting machines to ensure more accurate results.

Concerns were raised as voting shifted to the use of modern technology. The fear was that a fair and accurate recount might be impossible. The Count Every Vote Act, first introduced in 2005, was drafted to insure every voting machine would leave a paper trail. It would also make Election Day a national holiday allowing all eligible voters ample time to vote. A similar bill was introduced in 2007 but neither version of the act was passed into law.

Hillary Clinton and others attempted to pass legislation they believed would improve voting access and accuracy. Look for news and information about current voter reform legislation. If there isn't any, research the most recent measures law makers have taken to ensure every vote counts.

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