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Members of the United States House of Representatives:

On behalf of our 1,250 active groups and more than 100,000 trained student activists, **Students for Life Action urges you to vote NO on H.R. 1, the “For the People Act.” This vote, which may come to the floor of the House as early as this week, will be included in our Pro-Life Generation Scorecard for the 117th Congress.** H.R. 1 is an attempt to sideline groups like Students for Life Action and Students for Life of America and is a drastic reconfiguration of how elections should be run in the United States.

Students for Life Action depends on the dedication and hard work of our activists and donations from our allies to further our work. If H.R. 1 becomes law, the names of our thousands of supporters would become available in a public database, potentially putting their jobs, livelihood, and safety in jeopardy. Americans should continue to be able to donate to groups of their choice - right, left, or center. This proposed national database would have a chilling effect on citizen participation in our government by making Americans think twice and look over their shoulder when they support groups who share their policy goals. Such an outcome is unacceptable in a country that depends on active and engaged voters.

H.R. 1 would turn federalism on its head by forcing states to follow additional federal elections laws. Under our Constitution, states have the responsibility to administer elections through laws passed by their legislatures. H.R. 1 would federalize elections by imposing new election requirements on states, taking power away from state elected officials. Washington D.C. would dictate to how the states should run their elections, creating a centralization of election policies that would significantly weaken the ability of states to decide how to conduct fair elections. This legislation would take from the states their constitutional rights and responsibilities of handling elections and change election laws in an ideological manner.

H.R. 1 is not for the people, it is for ideologues who want to prevent millions of Americans from participating in our constitutional republic. Voters, donors, doorknockers, and pro-life activists will be put on notice that the federal government will interfere with their civic duty in an unprecedented way if H.R. 1 becomes law. The House has a chance next week to reject partisanship, and promote participatory government by defeating H.R. 1.

We are the Pro-Life Generation, **and we ask that you vote NO on H.R. 1, the “For the People Act” of 2021. Your vote will be part of our Pro-Life Generation Scorecard that will be shared with our activists in all 50 states and the pro-life community.**

Sincerely,

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