

**To:** All Interested Parties  
**From:** John McLaughlin  
**Re:** H.R. 1 – Corrupt Politicians Act – Maine Statewide Survey  
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The results of our just completed survey indicate that the majority of voters in Maine are aware of pending legislation in Congress that would override their state's existing election laws. However, these voters are unaware of the individual policy items contained in H.R. 1, the *For the People Act of 2021*, and when informed of the implications of these radical proposals, largely oppose the passage of this legislation.

**Key Findings:**

- More than half, 55% of Maine voters say they are aware that *Nancy Pelosi and the national Democrats want to pass a federal law known as H.R. 1, the For the People Act of 2021, that will override your state's existing election laws*, 41% are unaware.
- Voters strongly disapprove of *"Congress passing a new federal election law to override your existing state election laws,"* approve 20% - 57% disapprove.
- 61% of voters oppose *overriding state voter ID laws by removing any requirements to show identification and prove you are who you say you are by abolishing all voter I.D. laws which exist to combat practices such as impersonation fraud, voter registration fraud, duplicate voting and votes cast by ineligible voters*, 31% support.
- Nancy Pelosi is unpopular in Maine; favorable 38% - 51% unfavorable (net -13).
- Chuck Schumer is also unpopular in Maine; favorable 34% - 42% unfavorable (net -8).
- The majority of Maine voters oppose Democrats ending the filibuster. *Currently the US Senate allows a single senator to filibuster to block legislation unless 60 out of 100 senators vote to end the filibuster. In order to pass their legislation that will not get 60% of the votes in the senate, the Democrats want to end the filibuster so they can pass legislation with only 51 Democratic votes instead of 60 votes with bipartisan support. Do you support or oppose the Democrats ending the filibuster rule in the US Senate?* Support 41% - 52% oppose.

Policies not incorporated in the H.R. 1 legislation that are viewed overwhelmingly favorably include:

- 76% support *requiring signature verification for any mail-in ballot voting*, only 19% oppose.
- 75% support *allowing only American citizens to vote and requiring citizenship verification to register to vote in federal elections*, only 19% oppose.
- 75% support *"Making voter records transparent to individual citizens so that any person can confirm that their vote in every election was counted or if someone tried to commit fraud by illegally casting a vote in their name,"* only 16% oppose.
- 62% support *requiring photo identification to vote whether in-person or by absentee mail-in*, only 33% oppose.

Policies that are in the H.R. 1 legislation that receive strong opposition include:

- *“Imposing a New York City-style campaign finance system, forcing taxpayers to foot the bill for political campaigns at a cost of hundreds of millions of dollars per election. This bill would give political candidates potentially millions of dollars of taxpayer money to pay for their own campaigns and allow politicians to double dip and take a second taxpayer funded salary from their campaigns,” 73% oppose - 20% support.*
- *“Currently the Federal Elections Commission, also known as the FEC, is a bipartisan organization with an equal number of Republicans and Democrats. This bill would reduce the number of members from six to five and give one party the majority and the power to weaponize the FEC for their political benefit.” 72% oppose - 16% support.*
- *“States will be required to automatically add every individual who partakes in certain government programs, including receiving welfare or obtaining a drivers license, while also restricting the state’s ability to verify eligible voters and the removal of ineligible voter from the voter registration rolls. This provision could automatically enroll ineligible voters such as illegal immigrants.” 58% oppose - 29% support.*
- 54% oppose *“automatically restoring voting rights to felons, violating the 14<sup>th</sup> Amendment of the Constitution which grants the power of restricting the voting rights of criminals to individual states,” 39% support.*
- 51% oppose *“mandating same-day voter registration so that new voters are immediately registered to vote upon request, even on the day of an election, which removes the buffer period for county election commissioners to verify that the person is an eligible voter to prevent fraud,” 44% support.*

The implications of this legislation include:

- The majority of voters, 56% want their U.S. Senator to vote AGAINST this bill, H.R. 1, the *For the People Act of 2021*, while only 31% of Maine voters want their U.S. Senator to vote IN FAVOR of it.
- 45% of voters say they are less likely to vote for their U.S. Senator in their next re-election if their U.S. Senator were to support this legislation, only 23% would be more likely to vote for their U.S. Senator.
- Nearly two-in-three voters, 64%, say this bill, H.R. 1, the *For the People Act of 2021*, is for the politicians, and only 24% say it is for the people.
- 60%, say they are less likely to vote for Angus King if he *voted to use hundreds of millions of taxpayer funds for political campaigns including using your tax dollars to pay campaign salaries and personal expenses for members of Congress who are running for re-election, in addition to their six figure congressional salaries, including himself*, only 14% say they are more likely.
- 57%, say they are less likely to vote for Angus King if he *voted to alter the Federal Election Commission into a partisan political organization by reducing the number of commissioners to five, giving one party a partisan majority and the opportunity to weaponize the FEC for their party’s political benefit*, only 14% say they are more likely.

- 57%, say they are less likely to vote for Angus King if he *voted to sabotage state voter identification laws — because at the polls, voters will not be required to show identification and can simply sign a statement in which they claim to be who they say they are, without any proof. This would enable voter registration fraud, duplicate voting, and voting by ineligible individuals, such as illegal immigrants*, only 18% say they are more likely.
- 56% say they are less likely to vote for Angus King if he *voted to abolish voter identification*, only 20% say they are more likely.
- 56% say they are less likely to vote for Angus King if he *voted to require ballots be counted outside of the voter's precinct — This removes the integrity of the local government to verify voter rolls and oversee elections and gives the power to count votes entirely to the federal government in Washington*, only 17% say they are more likely.
- 55% say they are less likely to vote for Angus King if he *voted to create unaccountable redistricting committees. Currently, congressional district lines are drawn by state governments that are accountable to their voters, but this would allow unelected, appointed government officials to determine congressional districts without any accountability to the voters*, only 23% say they are more likely.
- 54%, say they are less likely to vote for Angus King if he *voted to require states to automatically add to voter registration rolls every person—regardless of voter eligibility—who uses certain government programs, such as receiving welfare or obtaining a driver's license. And simultaneously restricts the ability of states to verify eligible voters and remove ineligible voters from voter registration rolls. This provision will automatically enroll ineligible voters such as illegal immigrants*, only 21% say they are more likely.
- 53%, say they are less likely to vote for Angus King if he *voted to allow non-citizens and illegal immigrants to vote as a "pre-citizen,"* only 18% say they are more likely.
- 53% say they are less likely to vote for Angus King if he *voted to violate the First Amendment and restrict political free speech by inserting a provision that makes it a criminal offense to provide information that the government says is materially false and could impede or prevent someone from registering or voting. This provision is so vague that it would likely allow the government to interfere with free speech and other legitimate activities*, only 20% are more likely.
- 53%, say they are less likely to vote for Angus King if he *voted to force states to allow paid operatives and candidates to engage in unrestricted vote trafficking and ballot harvesting*, only 14% say they are more likely.
- 53% say they are less likely to vote for Angus King if he *voted to eliminate voter signature verification*, only 20% are more likely.

### **Conclusions:**

While the majority of voters in Maine are aware of the looming H.R.1 legislation in Congress, once informed of the policy items this legislation entails, voters are overwhelmingly opposed to this legislation and support for any candidate, including Senator Angus King who would vote in favor of this bill, deteriorates very significantly. Maine voters strongly support honest elections and oppose the Corrupt Politicians Act.



**Methodology:**

This poll of 400 likely general election voters in Maine, was conducted on April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021. All interviews were conducted via telephone by professional interviewers. Interview selection was random within predetermined election units. 50% of interviews were completed on cell-phones. These samples were then combined and structured to correlate with actual voter turnout in a general election. This poll of 400 likely general election voters in Maine, has an accuracy of +/- 4.9% at a 95% confidence interval.

**Key Demographics:**

**Party:**

	<b>Total</b>
Republican	32%
Democrat	36%
Independent/Other/Refused	33%

**Race:**

	<b>Total</b>
White	93%
Non-White	5%
Refused	2%

**Gender:**

	<b>Total</b>
Men	47%
Women	53%

**Age:**

	<b>Total</b>
18-29	9%
30-40	13%
41-55	14%
56-65	29%
Over 65	32%
MEAN	55

**Ideology:**

	<b>Total</b>
Liberal	27%
Moderate	33%
Conservative	37%

**Interview:**

	<b>Total</b>
Cell	50%
Landline	50%