

Voters' Rights and Representatives Amendment

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Citizens of the United States:

In our recent November 6th election, 750,000 more Americans voted for Democratic House candidates than for Republican House Candidates. Despite losing 4 or more seats in the House, Republicans will still control the House of Representatives, and may do so for the next 8 years. This is due to the 2010 Congressional redistricting which is mandated with each new U.S. Census every 10 years, in order to theoretically maintain a more representational House as our state populations change.

Republicans began planning for this takeover years ago, and with the 2010 U.S. Census, combined with their successful takeover of many state governments, state Republicans quickly set about using their authority to change the Congressional district populations and create more secure seats for Republican candidates for the House. In addition, beginning in January 2010, Republican state governments passed 23 new laws changing voter ID requirements, more changes in voting rights laws than were passed between 1865 and 1967. Only a U.S. Constitutional right to vote, which our citizens have never had, can empower our voting rights and Congressional authority to protect those rights.

OccupyThisHope.org is dedicated to the proposal of a Constitutional amendment to secure our Constitutional right to vote, and to secure our Constitutional right of representation in Congress, a representation that is not determined by money, but by the values of the People and the candidate's potential to understand, communicate, and steadfastly represent their constituent members of the People, the 99%.

Regardless of our political preferences and beliefs, our power to gain a Constitutional right to vote and our People's true representation in Congress has more potential today than at any other time in our history.

For more information about this proposed amendment, please read the basic proposal on the back of this page, and visit OccupyThisHope.org for more detailed information and analysis about this proposal.

Proposal for the 28th Constitutional Amendment

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1) The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged for any reason, except as defined in Amendment XXVI, requiring citizens to be eighteen years of age or older.

2) All donations to individuals or organizations intended to support the Federal election of Representatives and Senators to the United States Congress are *prohibited*. Federal elections to Congress are to be financed only by a public government fund and distributed equally to each candidate, the amount of said funding to be based upon the number of citizens in the respective district or state which said candidate seeks to represent. This fund is to be established and distributed from taxes and other funds as determined by Congress.

3) A potential candidate who obtains valid signatures of 5% of the citizens of the Congressional district as a candidate for the House of Representatives, or 5% of the citizens of the state as a candidate for the U.S. Senate, in which the potential candidate legally resides, will establish the necessary requirement of official recognition to seek such applicable office, and will receive public campaign funding from the fund established by Congress upon said candidate's application to seek such office. In addition, each officially accepted candidate will have her or his current employment made available to them to return to, either after the campaign if they lose the election, or after their term of office. This requirement will be limited to those businesses and further conditions as determined by Congress.

4) All candidates for Congressional office are limited to two consecutive terms, regardless of the particular office held. Qualified candidates are legally eligible to serve in any Congressional office, but only for two consecutive terms at a time, regardless of the specific office elected to. Thus, each person having served two consecutive terms is prohibited from elected Congressional office for a minimum of two years.

Please visit OccupyThisHope.org for further details and analysis of this proposed amendment, and to participate with comments and suggestions.