

To all League members who wish to take action on the current crop of election laws:

The names of the members of the House Election Law committee are listed below. If any of them are your representatives, please consider calling or emailing them and urging them to vote against bills that restrict voting rights, and vote for bills that bring voting into the 21st century and at the same time make the voting system more secure. You can find their emails and phone numbers by clicking on their names on this webpage. <http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/house/committees/committeedetails.aspx?code=H36>

Chair: [Barbara Griffin](#)(r)
Vice Chair: [Yvonne Dean-Bailey](#)(r)
Clerk: [Betty Gay](#)(r)

[Kathleen Souza](#) (r) [Gregory Hill](#) (r) [Michael Harrington](#) (r)
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[Gerald Ward](#) (d) [Wayne Moynihan](#) (d) [Travis Bennett](#) (d)
[William Pearson](#) (d) [David Huot](#) (d) [Andrew White](#) (d)
[Marjorie Porter](#) (d) [Isaac Epstein](#) (d)

On the Senate Election Law committee are the following senators—if any is your senator, give him or her a call or send an email:

Chair Regina Birdsell (r) Vice Chair James Gray (r)
Andy Sanborn (r) Donna Soucy (d) Jeff Woodburn (d)

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Some of the League's top priority bills to SUPPORT are SB113 to authorize a trial program of electronic poll books; SB107 to create an independent redistricting commission; SB194 to authorize online voter registration (through the Dept of Motor Vehicles, via a secure website, with the new or updated registrations getting to the towns' supervisors of the checklist very quickly and accurately).

The most serious of the voter suppression bills we oppose are SB47 which would give the investigatory powers for election law violations to the Sec. Of State's office (it correctly belongs with the Attorney General's office); HB459 that creates an unnecessarily complicated Challenged Voter Affidavit; HB464 that takes out the option of personal recognition of a voter by an election official as an ID for getting a ballot—likely to penalize older voters without licenses (this has already been considered by the committee but has not come to the House floor yet); HB639 that disallows an affidavit when registering in advance but lacking documentation, for example no utility bill to prove you live where you say you live.

You can see testimony League has presented on most of these bills on our Action and Testimony page of LWVNH.org if you want to get talking points for your calls or emails. Many thanks for your help on this!

Liz Tentarelli, president League of Women Voters NH

