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H. R. 7626

To prohibit the use of funds to order Federal law enforcement or military personnel to polling places or other domestic election locations, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 20, 2026

Mr. MOULTON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Intelligence (Permanent Select), and Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Defend Elections from
5 Trump Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—In this Act:

1 (1) ELECTION.—The term “election” has the
2 meaning given the term in section 301(1) of the
3 Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C.
4 30101(1))

5 **SEC. 3. PROHIBITION ON FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT, IN-**
6 **TELLIGENCE, OR MILITARY PERSONNEL AT**
7 **DOMESTIC ELECTION LOCATIONS.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—No funds appropriated or other-
9 wise made available for the Federal Government may be
10 obligated or expended during the period beginning on the
11 date of the enactment of this Act and ending on December
12 31, 2026, for ordering, bringing, or keeping Federal law
13 enforcement, intelligence, or military personnel acting
14 under color of law at polling places, election offices, or
15 locations where vote canvassing, counting, or certification
16 occurs, or other locations where an election is held, unless
17 Congress has enacted specific statutory authorization for
18 such a presence at a domestic location.

19 (b) EXCEPTION.—The prohibition under subsection
20 (a) shall not apply to any individual exercising the right
21 of suffrage in any district to which he or she may belong,
22 if otherwise qualified according to the laws of the State
23 of such district.

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