

Florida Sees High Voter Turnout After Enacting New Election Law

7.7 million Florida voters and counting cast ballots in the November election, and, thanks to SB 90 and SB 524, they are doing so more securely and accurately than ever.

HIGH TURNOUT

- According to public reporting, more than <u>7.7 million</u> votes were cast in Florida in 2022, with more votes still to be counted, the second highest midterm turnout since 2006.
- According to data from the <u>Florida Division of Elections</u>, more than 2.7 million Floridians voted by mail and 2.2 million had voted early as of November 8th.
 - A similar number of Democrats (1,193,319) and Republicans (1,000,167) had <u>voted</u> by mail.
- In <u>2022</u>, Florida saw <u>the highest vote by</u> mail turnout since at least 2006.
- The <u>2022</u> midterm election in Florida saw <u>the second highest midterm</u> early voting turnout since 2006.

ENSURING ELECTIONS ARE HELD WITH THE HIGHEST INTEGRITY

- SB 524, <u>signed</u> earlier this year by Gov. Ron DeSantis, builds on the success of 2021's <u>SB 90</u> and two decades of election reform. Both laws help ensure that this year's election is being conducted with professionalism and integrity.
- <u>SB 524</u> took <u>key steps</u> to keep Florida's elections secure:
 - The bill required that state's voter rolls undergo annual maintenance, ensuring the most up-to-date and accurate voting lists possible.
 - To combat election crimes and fraud, the law created an Office of Election Crimes and Security.
 - The law strengthened a ban on the use private funds for election administration expenses, to ensure the fairness and neutrality of the election process.
 - The Department of State was required to consider voter identification for mail-in ballots.
 - Finally, the bill increased penalties for ballot trafficking and prohibited ranked-choice voting.

THE LEFT'S CRITICISM FALLS FLAT

- Contrary to the scare tactics and fear mongering engaged in by left-wing activists, Florida's elections under SB 524 are more secure and better run than ever.
- High early turnout clearly shows that Floridians have not been dissuaded or prevented from voting, as progressives <u>baselessly claimed</u> would happen.
- Moreover, voter registration for Florida's August <u>primary elections</u> approached levels seen during the 2020 <u>presidential elections</u>, suggesting voters remain equally engaged.
- Democrats all around the country have railed against badly needed voting security legislation claiming voter suppression, however states like Florida and <u>Georgia</u> are proving them wrong.

• This year's elections prove that Florida is a national model for continuously improving elections by making it easier to vote and harder to cheat.