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Pres. Trump’s election revelation should be wake-up call, and Congress should pass the Save America Act



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For our republic, nothing is more fundamental than the principle of one person, one vote. During his Thursday night address, President Trump revealed deeply troubling information showing that this bedrock of our election system is under attack.

Opinion

Citing recently declassified documents, President Trump disclosed that Communist China in 2020 stole 220 million U.S. voter files, including data containing names, addresses, and party affiliations. Yet when Deep State actors discovered the breach, they concealed it from President

Trump during the closing months of his first term. Rogue bureaucrats even buried intelligence that China attempted to manufacture fraudulent ballots supporting then-candidate Joe Biden. President Trump also declassified documents showing that U.S. election infrastructure is vulnerable to cyber attacks and manipulation from the New Axis of Evil of China, Russia, Iran, and North Korea. And he revealed that during the 2020 election, Michigan State Police investigated a Democrat-aligned voter group for forging registration forms and distributing gift cards to canvassers based on the number of applications they produced. But once it reached the Biden Justice Department, the investigation was shuttered.

Most troubling of all, President Trump announced that a Department of Homeland Security review of state voter rolls revealed that there are approximately 278,000 noncitizens registered to vote in federal elections—larger than the population of Knoxville. The President noted that this figure is likely an undercount because Democrat states refuse to share their voter files with the

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Trump administration. These disturbing revelations should be a wake-up call. Our representative form of government can only survive with fair, transparent, and secure elections—which is why President Trump has vowed to stamp out foreign interference and safeguard our voting system. In Congress, we have legislation that can provide him all the tools he needs to get the job done: the SAVE

AMERICA Act. This common-sense legislation would require individuals to present an ID to cast a ballot and proof of U.S. citizenship to register to vote. It would also require states to remove noncitizens from their voter rolls. These measures have overwhelming bipartisan support among the American people. Eighty-three percent of Americans—including 71 percent of Democrat voters—support mandatory voter ID. Yet Washington Democrats have vowed to block the SAVE AMERICA Act. Just last week, Senate Democrat Leader Chuck Schumer claimed that the legislation “is dead on arrival here in the Senate.” The reason is clear: Democrats are doing everything possible to invite fraud in our elections. While Tennessee leads the nation in election integrity measures, fourteen states, including California, New York, Illinois, Massachusetts, and Minnesota, do not require any ID to vote. At the same time, two dozen states—overwhelmingly blue—refuse to work with DHS to compare their voter rolls with the federal SAVE database, which verifies the immigration status of registered

voters. While claiming to defend democracy, Democrats are undermining trust in election outcomes while obstructing the will of the American people. Americans believe it should be easier to vote and harder to cheat. And they don’t want their cherished ballots cancelled out by noncitizens or fraudsters voting in our elections. If we need to break apart the SAVE AMERICA Act piece by piece to get these provisions across the finish line, that’s exactly what Republicans will do. My Election Security Partnership Act, which I led alongside Senator Graham, would incentivize states to submit their voter registration lists to DHS to identify ineligible voters, including noncitizens. My colleague Senator Husted (R-Ohio) has introduced legislation to codify the legislation’s voter ID requirement. Republicans have introduced many more provisions from the bill as standalone items. One way or the other, it’s time for Democrats to put the American people first and join Republicans in sending the SAVE AMERICA Act to President Trump’s desk.

Seven named to USTFCCCA All-Academic Track from sports page 1

Lilith Stenger were named to the All-Academic team. This marks the second straight year Roberts has received the honor. This is the third consecutive year Memphis has placed student-athletes on the USTFCCCA All-Academic list. To qualify for individual All-Academic honors, a student-athlete must maintain a cumulative grade-point average of 3.25 or higher and meet specific athletic criteria: finishing ranked in the top 96 nationally in an individual event during the indoor season, or competing in any phase of the NCAA Division I Outdoor Championships (including preliminary rounds). Additionally, both the Memphis men’s and women’s programs earned USTFCCCA All-Academic Team recognition. The men recorded a 3.40 cumulative GPA, while the women posted a 3.39 team GPA. This marks the second consecutive year both squads have received team honors.

Dept. of War announces death of on-active soldier

July 21, 2026 - The Department of War announced the death of an active-duty Soldier who was supporting overseas contingency operations in Iraq. Sgt. Michael Emmanuel Swinton, 30, of Fayetteville, North Carolina, was killed in action during a controlled detonation of a downed One-Way Unmanned Aerial System on July 19, 2026, at Erbil Air Base, Iraq. The incident is under investigation. Sgt. Swinton was assigned to D Battery, 2nd Battalion, 55th Air Defense Artillery Regiment, 108th Air Defense Artillery Brigade, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

SAF files motion for preliminary injunction in Maryland Glock ban case

BELLEVUE, Wash. — July 21, 2026 — The Second Amendment Foundation (SAF) and its partners have filed a motion for preliminary injunction in *Bathras v. Moore*, SAF’s challenge to the Maryland Glock ban signed into law by Gov. Wes Moore.

In May, SAF filed the lawsuit immediately after Gov. Moore signed into law Senate Bill 334, which states a person “...may not manufacture, sell, offer for sale, purchase, receive, or transfer a machine gun convertible pistol.” It further defines a “machine gun convertible pistol” as a firearm that contains a cruciform trigger bar. Cruciform trigger bars are a unique design element found across all Glock handguns. The intent of the bill is to prevent the already illegal conversion of semi-automatic handguns into machineguns, by banning the legal handguns themselves. The ban goes into effect on Jan. 1, 2027.

“Anti-gun politicians will constantly tell you that ‘no one is coming for your guns,’” said SAF Senior Director of Legal Operations Bill Sack. “And then they pass bills like this that bans the most commonly owned handgun in America. Both can’t be true. Maryland’s Glock ban, and Please see sports-military 3

Firearms Policy Coalition (FPC) announces Trump Dept. of Justice has dismissed its appeal of FPC’s victory against the federal post office gun ban

Firearms Policy Coalition (FPC) announced that the Trump Department of Justice moved to voluntarily dismiss its appeal of FPC’s victory against the federal post office gun ban in *FPC v. Blanche*—formerly *FPC v. Bondi*. If the Fifth Circuit grants the unopposed motion, the district court’s permanent injunction will remain in place unchanged. The plaintiffs, which include FPC, two FPC members, and the Second Amendment Foundation, are represented by David H. Thompson, Peter A. Patterson, and William V. Bergstrom of Cooper & Kirk, PLLC, along with R. Brent Cooper of Cooper & Scully, P.C. The government filed its motion on July 16, 2026, with the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit in New Orleans, Louisiana. The federal post office gun ban unconstitutionally prohibited FPC and SAF members from carrying firearms for self-defense in-



side ordinary post offices and on surrounding postal property. The district court entered summary judgment and a permanent injunction for the plaintiffs, then rejected the government’s effort to restrict that relief to only those who were members when the lawsuit was filed. The injunction protects all present and future FPC and SAF members. After fighting the case and appealing the judgment, the Trump DOJ has now asked to abandon its appeal. “The Trump DOJ spent far too long defending an immoral and

unconstitutional ban that treated peaceable Americans like criminals. Now, after losing on the merits and failing to gut the relief protecting our members, the government is finally waving the white flag. Good. This victory protects every present and future member of the FPC Grassroots Army, and it proves once again that membership can have real, direct consequences for the exercise of constitutional rights. But the government deserves no credit for finally abandoning its authoritarian effort to preserve an unconstitutional and immoral

law. FPC will continue to Fight Forward until every unconstitutional gun ban is eliminated, full stop.” — FPC President Brandon Combs Firearms Policy Coalition (FPC) is a nonprofit membership organization that exists to create a world of maximal individual liberty and eliminate unconstitutional gun control laws. FPC works—and wins—for the People through high-impact strategic litigation, groundbreaking research, legislative and regulatory advocacy, grassroots activism, education, and public engagement. FPC’s legal division, FPC Law, is the nation’s leading initiative dedicated to restoring the right to keep and bear arms across the United States. To learn more about how FPC is working—and winning—for the People, sign up for FPC news alerts at firearmspolicy.org and follow FPC on X, Instagram, and Facebook.

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