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117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To clarify the disparate burden test, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. JONES introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee
on _____

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 “Inclusive Elections Act
5 of 2021”.

6 **SEC. 2. DISPARATE BURDEN TEST.**

7 Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52
8 U.S.C. 10301) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
9 lowing:

1 “(c) In determining whether members of a class of
2 citizens have less opportunity than other members of the
3 electorate to participate in the political process and to
4 elect representatives of their choice, a court shall consider
5 whether—

6 “(1) the challenged standard, practice, or proce-
7 dure imposes a disparate burden on members of a
8 class of citizens protected by subsection (a); and

9 “(2) the disparate burden is in part caused by
10 or related to social and historical conditions that
11 produce or produced discrimination against members
12 of the protected class.”.