

# 10 Years of Citizens United, 1 Year of Action

What the U.S. House of Representatives has done to fight money in politics

The Supreme Court's January 21, 2010 decision in *Citizens United v. FEC* allowed billions of dollars from corporations and wealthy individuals to flood into our political system. But since a new Democratic majority took control in 2019, the House of Representatives has advanced key legislation to fight money in politics.

### **BILLS PASSED BY THE HOUSE**

## For the People Act (H.R. 1)

H.R. 1 was the most comprehensive democracy reform legislation to pass the House since Watergate - taking on money in politics, expanding voting rights, and fighting corruption.

Passed the House in a 234-193 vote (all Democrats voting in favor) on March 8, 2019

## **SHIELD Act (H.R. 4617)**

The SHIELD Act blocks campaign spending by foreign interests and requires campaigns to report offers from foreign governments to intervene in our elections.

Passed the House in a 227-181 vote on October 23, 2019

The Republican-controlled Senate has refused to consider either bill.

## **BILLS GAINING MOMENTUM IN THE HOUSE**

#### Democracy for All Amendment (H.J. Res 2)

The Democracy for All Amendment is a constitutional amendment to overturn *Citizens United* and allow reasonable limits on campaign spending.

210 House cosponsors (as of February 2, 2020)

#### DISCLOSE Act (H.R. 2977)

The DISCLOSE Act would end secret money in elections by requiring all entities to disclose campaign-related spending.

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