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#### Congress and the Voting Rights Act of 1965

Nevertheless, by the early 1960s voter registration rates among African Americans were negligible in much of the Deep South and well below those of whites elsewhere.

# A History of the Voting Rights Act

From October 2005 to May 2006, the House Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on the Constitution, has held 11 hearings to examine the impact and effectiveness of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, and to determine whether the act is still needed. Please email them to: Less than half of eligible voters typically vote in national elections in the U.

#### Amendments to the Voting Rights Act of 1965

. His complaint noted the proliferation of Spanish-language media outlets in New York City—three Spanish daily newspapers with a circulation of 82,000—as further evidence that Puerto Ricans in the City were literate, even if not in English.

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Census Bureau, Historical Time Series Tables, Table A5 — Reported Voting and Registration for Total and Citizen Voting Age Population, by State for Presidential Elections: 1972-2004. § 1973aa-1a b 1 to extend the bilingual election assistance requirements for limited-English speaking citizens for 25 years, until 2032. Other concerns about the 2020 census include chronic underfunding for the work of accurately counting everyone in the nation.

Voting Rights Act 55th anniversary: Minority voter suppression remains

Section 8 57 provides for assignment of observers at elections, their duties, and reports. These provisions were extended for five years in 1970, seven years in 1975, and 25 years in both 1982 and 2006. The act creates a right of action for private citizens or the government to challenge discriminatory voting practices and procedures Section 2.

# Voting Rights Act 55th anniversary: Minority voter suppression remains

One event that outraged many Americans occurred on March 7, 1965, when peaceful participants in a for voting rights were met by state troopers who attacked them with nightsticks, tear gas and whips after they refused to turn back. President Lyndon Johnson signed the measure on August 6 with Dr.

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