

Voting rights

Five unelected Supreme Court justices dismantled an unmistakably democratizing law, the VRA [Voting Rights Act], which had been passed and renewed on multiple occasions. In 2019, when efforts to restore the VRA were blocked by a Republican Senate majority, that majority represented seven million fewer voters than the Senate Democratic minority that backed it. In January 2022, when majorities in both houses of Congress — and more than 60 percent of Americans — backed voting rights legislation, it was blocked by a minority in the Senate.

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Tyranny of the Minority