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Dear Senator,

I write to advise you that Susan B. Anthony List, on behalf of our more than 900,000 members from all 50 states, strongly opposes the elimination of or special carveouts to the Senate filibuster rule for legislation relating to election law. All Americans, regardless of their party affiliation or political persuasions, believe that the ability to vote is a solemn privilege and responsibility. Americans hold vastly different views on how best to promote and protect free and fair elections, as is evidenced by the many attempts at legislation the Democrats have unsuccessfully pushed in the 117th Congress.

A partisan answer to an American issue could never inspire broad American confidence in the electoral process. A partisan push by the very same legislators who are pushing abortion on demand until the moment of birth, paid for by taxpayers, would have an extreme chilling effect on pro-life voters. Leader Chuck Schumer's attempt to make an exception to the 60-vote threshold in order to pass Democrats' federal takeover of state elections proves the partisanship of what he is trying to pass.

Changing longstanding Senate rules to advance Democrats' election legislation without bipartisan consensus would be an unacceptable, radical move. The Senate has long been called the greatest deliberative body in the world, and their rules are intended to force senators to find consensus instead of passing quick, reactionary legislation. The elimination of the filibuster or a carveout would silence the minority party (in this Congress, a mere 50-50 minority), and allow half the Senate to make partisan changes to the sacred American responsibility of voting that would be opposed by the other half of the Senate. This is not consensus, but a blatant power grab.

Susan B. Anthony List strongly opposes the elimination of the filibuster or special carveouts to that would give favored status to partisan legislation related to voting rights, and will score against any such votes to change the status quo Senate rules.

Sincerely,

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