

Business for Voting Rights  
**Statement on House Passage of H.R.4,  
the John R. Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act of 2021**  
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The right to vote is fundamental to who we are as Americans. Our economy depends on a healthy democracy built on fair and accessible elections, free from discriminatory barriers to voter participation. The over 200 companies that comprise Business for Voting Rights applaud that the House has taken the first and important step in honoring lifelong civil rights champion John Lewis and helping to strengthen and protect the right to vote for all Americans by passing the John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act. We are now calling on the Senate to come together in a bipartisan way to ensure voting rights are protected, as they have done five times since the Voting Rights Act was first passed in 1965. The right to vote is not – and has not historically been – a partisan issue. It is an American one.”