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Designating November 5, 2002, and November 2, 2004, as “Federal Election Day” and making such day a legal public holiday, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

AUGUST 1, 2001

Mr. KERRY introduced the following joint resolution; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JOINT RESOLUTION

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1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Federal Election Day
5 Act of 2001”.

6 **SEC. 2. ELECTION DAY OBSERVED.**

7 (a) DESIGNATION.—November 5, 2002, and Novem-
8 ber 2, 2004, are designated as “Federal Election Day”.

9 (b) LEGAL PUBLIC HOLIDAY.—Federal Election
10 Day—

1 (1) is a legal public holiday for the purpose of
2 statutes relating to pay and leave of employees;

3 (2) shall be treated as a holiday in accordance
4 with section 6103 of title 5, United States Code; and

5 (3) shall begin at 1 o'clock post meridian.

6 (c) REGULATIONS.—The President may prescribe
7 regulations to carry out this section.

8 **SEC. 3. GAO STUDY.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Comptroller General shall
10 conduct a study of the impact on voter participation of
11 making Federal Election Day a legal public holiday.

12 (b) REPORT.—Not later than May 2, 2005, the
13 Comptroller General shall submit a report to Congress and
14 the President detailing the results of the study conducted
15 under subsection (a).

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