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**Voter Surpression PKG »**

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One of the many hot topics in the 2

012 Presdential election campaign was voter surpression.

Some people were turned away at the polls or denied their right to vote and they are not tight-lipped about the matter.

Insight News Reporter Jessica Chavers has the story.

In 2011 the house committee of elections passed a new bill that is being called voter suppression act of 2011. The Bill requires that all voters must present a government issued ID before casting their ballot. Forty-one states introduced the new law which Democrats are saying is targeted towards minorities, elders and college students.

Kristin Rodgers is a senior journalism student at the University of Memphis who was told by an election official that...

Rodgers said that she had high hopes in voting in this election and she discussed the personal toll it took on her. She said that she will continue to remain postive and that she reapplied for her voter resgistration card to avoid any more mishaps.

Several republican officals were not avaible for comment but local democrat city councilman member Edmund Ford Jr.spoke on the topic.

Whether democrate or republican this is America which was founded on the belief that all men are created equal

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**« Take SOT Runs.. 0:13 ..the voting booth"**

**"Elections are about getting your voters out to the polls to vote for your candidate but republican control legislaters across the country and states from coast to coast are pushing efforts now to rewrite election laws themselves in order to restrict access to the voting booth" »**

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**Jessica Chavers /Insight News Reporter »**

**« Take SOT Runs.. 0:13 ..find out why"**

**"I'm Jessica Chavers here at the University of Memphis Journalism department where I'm about to sit down with one of our very own Insight news reporters to discuss her incident with voter supression she was told that she couldnt vote in this election and Im about to find out why" »**

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**Kristin Rodgers »**

**« Take SOT Runs.. 0:20 ..important to me"**

**"She told me that as long as I went to early vote that that would put me back active in the system so I assumed by her telling me that because she worked for the commission office that I would be able to vote and I still couldnt vote cont. 1:25 honestly I cried when the woman at the first place told me I couldnt vote because it's just that important to me" »**

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**Edmound Ford Jr /City Hall »**

**« Take SOT Runs.. 0:13 ..oppurtunity to vote"**

**"I know that there would be those one,two, or three indivduals but dont punich the tens of millions who are upright citizens upstanding citizens excuse me and dont deny them the oppurtunity to vote" »**