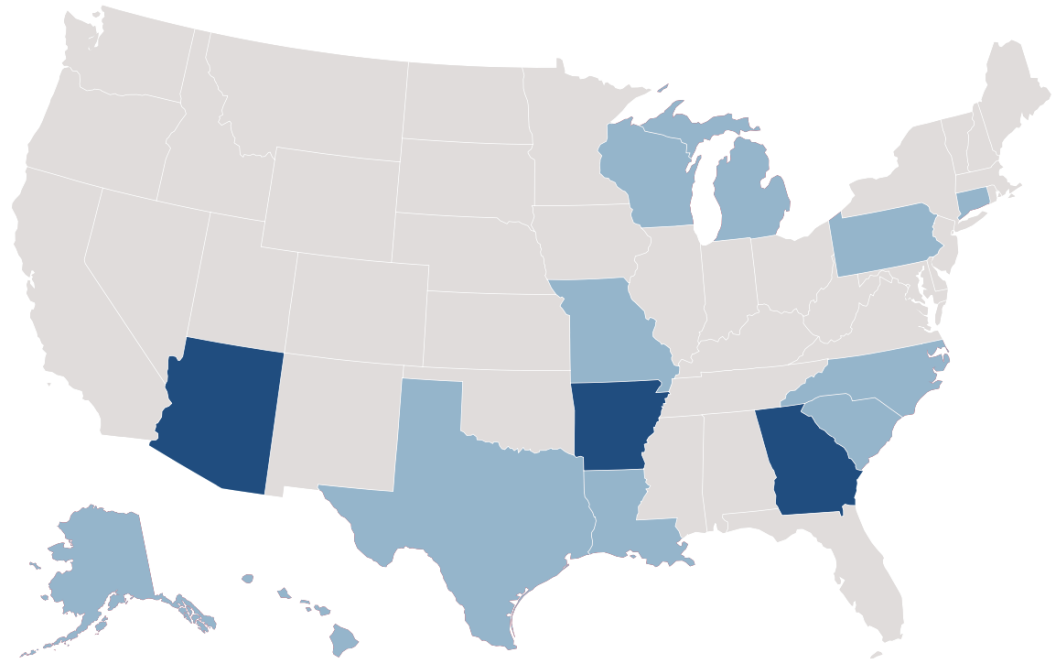


## INDIRECT ELECTION SABOTAGE: Partisan Control of Election Administration and Vote Counting

States where legislators have passed or considered bills in 2021 that would allow political partisans to seize control of certain aspects of election administration typically handled by professional election personnel.

- Bill introduced in state legislature
- Bill passed by state legislature



Source: The Brennan Center for Justice

At least three states have passed, and at least 10 more have considered, bills that would sabotage the democratic process in [more indirect ways](#), by allowing political partisans to seize control of certain aspects of election administration typically handled by professional election personnel. This makes it easier for partisans to accomplish what some attempted unsuccessfully in 2020 —throwing out legitimate votes. (See map in Appendix 1, exhibit 2.)

Georgia’s new [S.B. 202](#) allows the state to [remove county election officials](#) if they find “nonfeasance, malfeasance, or gross negligence.” After the 2020 election, [at least 10 county](#) board of election members were or are likely to be removed using new laws passed by the state legislature. At least five of them were people of color and most were Democrats.