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Whe the .S. House i Mar h 019 passed <u>far-rea hi g ethi s legislatio</u> to expa d voter registratio, a date that preside tial a didates release their tax retur s, e d partisa gerry a deri g, a d at h s all-dollar do atio s to a didates, New ersey ep. eff Va Drew o-spo sored the bill a d voted yes.

"This refor bill will lea up orruptio i Washi gto, restore our de o ray, a d pro ote bipartisa ship," Va Drew said <u>at the tie</u>. "We eed to restore our de o ray to a gover e t of the people, by the people, a d for the people."

Whe the House passed  $\underline{a}$  ear-ide ti al bill last o thafter the first o e failed i the Se ate, Va Drew voted o.

"We were war ed for years about the rise of so ialis," Va Drew said o the House floor. "Here it is served o a platter, using your oney to pay for politinia so a paig so.

"This bill puts Washi gto , D. ., i harge of our states' ele tio s a d how those ele tio s are ru ."

The bill had 't ha ged. Va Drew's views of it did, alo g with his party affiliatio. He was a o-spo sor whe he was a De o rat, a d vehe e tly opposed it <u>after swit hi g parties</u> to be o e a epubli a.

Va Drew, who represe ts New ersey's do gressio al distrit, also reversed ourse o legislatio to <u>expad bakgroudheks</u> for gupur hases, to allow drea ers<u>to reaiithe</u> <u>outry</u> legally, adto badis rii atio agaist LBTQ Aerias.

These were a o g the top legislative priorities of the ewly i ted House De o rati ajority i 019, a d Va Drew <u>o-spo sored every o e</u>.

"There is a differe e betwee bills that you vote o a d bills that you o-spo sor," said oh Froo jia, exe utive dire tor of the Willia. Hughes e ter for Publi Poli y at Sto kto iversity.

"So eti es you have to take o e for the tea a d vote for a bill that you ay ot o pletely a it aldist k Y H b t " H k A Y H k F Y Y Q E H b r " H k A Y F E H b e " H k F F F N H

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Eve this year, Va Drew was o e of o ly three epubli a s S ith a d Fitzpatri k were the others to o-spo sor legislatio <u>e suri g equal pay for wo e</u>. I 019, Va Drew o-spo sored the bill as a De o rat a d S ith was the o ly OP law aker whose a e was o the legislatio.

But his South ersey distrit was o e of o ly two i the state where Tru pre eived ore tha 50% of the vote S ith's was the other. That helped hi repel <u>a well-fi a ed halle ge</u> fro edu ator A y Ke edy of the i o i De o rati politi al fa ily i o e of the atio 's <u>hottest</u> o gressio al ra es.