

# VIVEK RAMASWAMY CALLED FOR RAISING THE VOTING AGE TO 25

## Highlights:

- Vivek Ramaswamy stated that he wanted to raise the voting age from 18 to 25.
  - Ramaswamy proposed raising the voting age to 25, but said he would still allow those from 18 to 25 to vote if they served in the military or passed a civics test.
  - Ramaswamy's own staff disagreed with his proposal.

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### Ramaswamy Proposed Allowing People 18 – 25 To Vote If they Passed A Civics Test Or Served In The Military

#### **Ramaswamy's Proposal To Raise The Voting Age Would Still Allow Those Between 18 And 25 To Vote If They Served In The Military Or Passed A Civics Test Required Of Immigrants To Become Naturalized Citizens.**

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### RAMASWAMY'S OWN STAFF DISAGREED WITH HIS PROPOSAL

**A Ramaswamy Campaign Advisor Said “Most Of The Team Has Not Been For” His Proposal To Raise The Voting Age.** According to Politico, “Vivek Ramaswamy, the youngest candidate in the Republican presidential field, is preparing to announce a new policy proposal: Raising the voting age. [...] In separate conversations with POLITICO, staff expressed discomfort with the proposal. He has no polling on how such a proposal might land with voters. And while Ramaswamy has privately discussed the idea with his team since he announced his presidential bid in February, he had been convinced to hold off, his aides believing the idea would not be received well. ‘Most of the team has not been for this,’ a campaign adviser who was granted anonymity to discuss internal conversations said.” [Politico, [5/10/23](#)]