

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

February 10, 2026

The Honorable Pam Bondi
Attorney General
U.S. Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20530-0001

Dear Attorney General Bondi:

The Committee on Oversight and Government Reform is examining the integrity of the jury-pool selection and voter registration processes based on reports from Michigan. Non-citizens have appeared in the state's jury pool, and in some instances, have been registered to vote.¹ The Committee is requesting a briefing to understand the U.S. Department of Justice's role in investigating such matters, and the potential for similar issues to be occurring nationwide.

The Civil Rights Act authorizes the Attorney General to bring civil actions to prevent violations of federal voting qualifications and other unlawful voting practices.² This establishes clear federal authority and responsibility to intervene when state election systems fail to comply with federal law.

Michigan's jury pool is drawn from individuals holding driver's licenses and state identification cards (state IDs).³ Under Michigan law, individuals who apply for a driver's license or state ID are automatically registered to vote unless they affirmatively decline.⁴

In Michigan's Macomb County, Clerk Anthony Forlini uncovered significant breaches during a cross check of the Michigan Secretary of State's Qualified Voter File and the county jury pool.⁵ Over a four-month period, 239 non-citizens were found to have been included in the jury pool. Of these individuals, 14 were identified as having been registered to vote at one point.⁶

The Committee is concerned by these reports and seeks information regarding the potential extent of such problems, including illicit voting by aliens,⁷ in other states. Therefore,

¹ Press Release, Macomb County Clerk's Office, Macomb County Clerk Alarmed About Citizenship Affecting Jury Trials and Elections (Jan 12, 2026) [hereinafter "Macomb County"].

² 52 U.S.C. § 10101(c).

³ Christina Hall, *Macomb County clerk concerned after noncitizens appear in jury pool*, DETROIT FREE PRESS (Jan. 13, 2016).

⁴ *What Every Driver Must Know: Chapter 3: Voter Registration and State IDs*, Mich. Sec'y of State, available at https://www.michigan.gov/-/media/Project/Websites/sos/01piercej/WEDMK_Chapter_Three_Voter_Registration_and_State_ID.pdf?rev=dffb4ad26ff74acbb2d67623dce4704 (last visited Jan. 29, 2026).

⁵ Macomb County, *supra* n.1

⁶ *Id.*

⁷ See 18 U.S.C. § 611 (Voting by aliens).

the Committee requests a briefing including but not limited to the following topics by February 17, 2026:

1. When the DOJ first became aware of non-citizen aliens being included in jury pools and/or voter registration rolls in Macomb County, Michigan, and what actions, if any, were taken upon that awareness;
2. The number, nature, and disposition of tips, complaints, referrals, or other communications DOJ has received alleging the presence of non-citizen aliens in jury pools or voter rolls in other Michigan counties or across the U.S.;
3. Whether DOJ has initiated any formal or informal reviews, audits, or investigations into these allegations in Michigan or elsewhere, including any determinations not to proceed and the rationale for those decisions;
4. Whether any states, counties, or local election or court officials have resisted, delayed, or refused cooperation with DOJ inquiries or corrective efforts related to these issues, and how DOJ has responded to such non-cooperation; and
5. What steps DOJ has taken, or intends to take, to prevent the continued inclusion of non-citizen aliens in jury pools and voter registration systems, and to hold responsible parties accountable where violations have occurred.

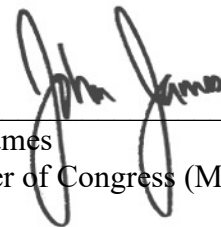
The Committee on Oversight and Government Reform is the principal oversight committee of the U.S. House of Representatives and has broad authority to investigate “any matter” at “any time” under House Rule X. To schedule the briefing or to ask any related follow-up questions, please contact the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform Majority staff at (202) 225-5074. Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,



James Comer
Chairman

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform



John James
Member of Congress (MI-10)

cc: The Honorable Robert Garcia, Ranking Member
Committee on Oversight and Government Reform