

Trump Claim of Voter Fraud False

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President Trump has ordered an investigation into illegal voting, but there is no need for an investigation into a non-existent problem says the non-partisan League of Women Voters (LWV). League also endorses "A Wisconsin Budget for All".

MADISON - The President has ordered an investigation into illegal voting, while offering no credible evidence of voter fraud. In [this statement](#), LWV-US President Chris Carson says there is "no need for an investigation into a non-existent problem." Indeed, a [comprehensive, national study](#) of potential voting fraud cases from 2000 through 2014 found only 31 credible (but not proven) cases out of more than one billion votes cast.



While some have questioned the President's authority to order such an investigation, election law expert Rick Hasen [noted](#) that President Obama did something similar following the 2012 election when he set up a commission to look into such election issues as long lines at the polls and how to expand access to voting and increase participation in elections. Read the [League of Women Voters of Wisconsin's 2014 testimony](#) to the National Commission on Voting Rights.

At a listening session this week some Wisconsin state lawmakers [got an earful](#) from Sheboygan-area constituents opposing the many voting restrictions enacted in recent years.

Last week we said the League has endorsed [A Wisconsin Budget for All](#), which calls on lawmakers to reject pressure by special interests and craft a budget to help our communities thrive. They could start by ending the Manufacturing and Agriculture Tax Credit, a loophole created in 2011. Wisconsin businesses can get this credit whether they add or subtract jobs in our state. Only 0.3 percent of Wisconsin tax filers have received the credit, with nearly 89 percent of the tax savings going to individuals earning more than \$1 million.

[A new report from the legislature's nonpartisan budget office](#) estimates this tax credit, which went in full effect just last year, will have cost the state more than \$1.4 billion by the end of the next budget. This is money that could -- and should -- be spent to boost the common good.

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