

## **A Resolution to Commemorate the Constitution**

- 1   **WHEREAS**, September 17<sup>th</sup> is Constitution Day; and
- 2   **WHEREAS**, it is a day to learn about the United States Constitution, its history, and the
- 3                   rights enumerated within; and
- 4   **WHEREAS**, all educational institutions receiving federal funds are required to hold an
- 5                   educational program about the Constitution for their students; and
- 6   **WHEREAS**, different institutions may choose to celebrate Constitution Day in different
- 7                   ways; and
- 8   **WHEREAS**, some of those educational programs may not uphold the true spirit of the
- 9                   Constitution and intent of Constitution Day; now, therefore, be it
- 10   **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that the Department of Education should
- 11                   create a clear and consistent curriculum for all educational institutions to
- 12                   use during Constitution Day programs.

## **A Bill to Discourage Private Prisons**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The Bureau of Prisons shall refrain from building any new prisons in  
3 states which contract with private or for-profit prisons. All current  
4 construction projects in affected states will immediately cease. The BOP  
5 shall also relocate all federal prisoners from states which have such  
6 contracts by January 1, 2020.

7 **SECTION 2.** Private or for-profit prisons are defined as privately or publically held  
8 corporations which contract with state and local governments to handle  
9 corrections services. They may own or lease the buildings in which the  
10 prisoners are housed.

11 **SECTION 3.** The Bureau of Prisons shall oversee terms of this legislation. The Director  
12 of the BOP shall determine which states are not in compliance.

13 **SECTION 4.** This will take effect immediately upon passage.

14 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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## **A Bill to Keep the West Coast Out of the Loop**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** No result from an election for a federal office may be made public or  
3 communicated by the press until all polling locations for that office have  
4 been closed for a period of one hour.

5 **SECTION 2. A.** For Presidential elections, all polling locations will include those in  
6 Alaska and Hawaii. For Congressional elections, polling locations will  
7 include those within that state or district. This is exclusive of absentee  
8 balloting or provisional ballots.

9 **B.** Results may include exit polling data, official or unofficial “calling” of  
10 states prior to official communication from the appropriate state authority,  
11 or actual results provided by the appropriate state authority.

12 **SECTION 3.** The United States Election Assistance Commission shall be responsible  
13 for monitoring and enforcing the provisions of this Act.

14 **SECTION 4.** This will take effect on November 1, 2016.

15 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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## **A Resolution to Reassure the World**

- 1   **WHEREAS**, the current election season has not cast America in the best light; and
- 2   **WHEREAS**, policies suggested by presidential candidates have caused concern in other
- 3                   countries over their long-term effects; and
- 4   **WHEREAS**, questions about the morals and ethics of presidential candidates have been
- 5                   repeated ad nauseum by a ratings-conscious media; and
- 6   **WHEREAS**, concerns about foreign influences over both candidates have clouded the
- 7                   debate over who will be the most effective president; and
- 8   **WHEREAS**, the American people show no inclination of reversing the increasing
- 9                   polarization within society over the past eight years; and
- 10   **WHEREAS**, we need to regain the confidence of other countries that the United States is
- 11                  still acting in the best interests of the world; now, therefore, be it
- 12   **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that regardless of who is elected president,
- 13                  our Constitutional system of government will insure that our actions will
- 14                  remain consistent with our position as a leader in the free world.

## **A Bill to Prohibit the Prohibition of References**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** It shall be considered a violation of fair labor practices for companies to  
3 prohibit individual employees from providing references for coworkers or  
4 former employees.

5 **SECTION 2.** A reference is a written or verbal statement describing the habits of a  
6 coworker or former employee, or a recommendation for future  
7 employment, usually given to an inquiring employer. This does not  
8 include factually incorrect statements which would violate current EEOC  
9 guidelines.

10 **SECTION 3.** The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission will oversee  
11 enforcement of this legislation, and may refer violations to the National  
12 Labor Relations Board for further investigation and sanctions.

13 **SECTION 4.** This will take effect immediately upon passage.

14 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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## **A Bill to Require ACA Participation**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Any health care company which currently is or wishes to become a federal  
3 contractor must participate in the Affordable Care Act health insurance  
4 exchanges in any state in which it does business. Failure to do so will  
5 result in the cancelling of current federal contracts or ineligibility for  
6 future contracts.

7 **SECTION 2.** “Health care company” shall include insurance providers, as well as  
8 medical professionals, manufacturers of medical devices, or  
9 pharmaceutical companies. The health insurance exchanges may include  
10 both the state-run exchanges as well as the exchange managed by the  
11 Department of Health and Human Services for states without their own  
12 exchange.

13 **SECTION 3.** The Secretary of Health and Human Services will oversee the participation  
14 of companies in the state and federal healthcare exchanges and determine  
15 eligibility for federal contracts.

16 **SECTION 4.** This shall take effect on February 1, 2017.

17 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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## **A Bill to Modernize Antiquity**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Section 2 of 16 USC 431-433 is amended to remove the words “President of the  
3 United States” and replace them with “Congress of the United States, through  
4 appropriate legislation.”

5 **SECTION 2.** The words “at his discretion” and “by public proclamation” are stricken  
6 from Section 2.

7 **SECTION 3.** The Department of interior will oversee implementation of Congressional  
8 legislation relating to national monuments

9 **SECTION 4.** This shall take effect upon passage.

10 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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## **A Bill to Regulate Charter Schools**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Title V, Part B, Subpart 1 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act  
3 of 1965, as amended (ESEA), Section 5201 - 5211 is amended by inserting  
4 the following wording into Section 5202 (d): “No charter school run as a  
5 for-profit enterprise shall be eligible for this funding. Non-profit or  
6 district-sponsored charters may continue to apply for this grant.”

7 **SECTION 2.** A for-profit enterprise may include a school operated or overseen by a  
8 publically or privately held company which operates the school in order to  
9 generate a profit for shareholders or owners.

10 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Education shall oversee the implementation of this  
11 legislation. Current funding to for-profit charter schools shall not be  
12 renewed beyond the current academic year.

13 **SECTION 4.** This shall take effect upon passage.

14 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.  
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