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SECURITY, INTELLIGENCE, AND NATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE (SINAC)

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The Stop School Shootings Act of 2023

SECTION 1: FINDINGS

Since 2018, there have been over 140 school shootings in the United States. Furthermore, guns are the leading cause of death among children under the age of 18 years old. The purpose of this act is to avoid and prevent as many tragic deaths from school shootings as possible.

SECTION 2: MANDATORY SCHOOL SAFETY OFFICER

Upon signing of this act, states and individual counties are hereby required to maintain at least one safety officer with a gun on the campus at all times for every public and charter school. An additional armed safety officer is required for every 500 additional students enrolled. If any school does not have adequate funding, the Department of Education is ordered to review the costs with the school to assist in allocating funds, or to provide additional funding to employ these officers. Priority application status will be given to former police officers and former military members to provide jobs after service.

SECTION 3: ALLOWING TEACHERS TO CONCEAL CARRY

Since concealed carry owners in the United States are the least likely group to commit a crime, teachers who have such a license and do not have any criminal or mental health record will be allowed to conceal carry in schools. They will be required to report their intention to carry a firearm on campus to the principal. This information will also be shared with all safety officers on campus. Students are not permitted to conceal carry on any campus at any time.

SECTION 4: MANDATORY SCHOOL SHOOTING TRAINING

The Department of Education is hereby ordered to work with local officials and law enforcement to create a training program to be administered to every employee at public and charter schools. No employee will be allowed to start work until they complete this program. Current school employees will have three months to complete this program upon signing of this act. Additionally, all students must participate in one school shooting safety drill, conducted by the safety officers, to train for an active-shooter emergency situation.

The Rules of Engagement Reform Act of 2023

SECTION 1: RULES OF ENGAGEMENT

(1) For the purpose of this act, reasonable force shall be defined as an appropriate and justifiable response by U.S. military personnel to an attack upon themselves or unit jeopardizing life, limb, or mission. (2) The extent of reasonable force shall hereby solely be determined by military personnel directly involved in conflict, their commanding officers, and ultimately the Commander in Chief.

SECTION 2: ENEMY COMBATANTS

(1) For the purpose of this act, enemy combatants are defined as any person suspected of imminent danger to U.S. troops or property. (2) Reasonable force is determined and justified by U.S. military personnel in effectively responding to enemy combatants in all scenarios. (3) Enemy combatants in U.S. military custody are not afforded any U.S. rights or privileges nor the rights or privileges of their respective country. (4) U.S. military specialists trained in the art of interrogation are hereby authorized to use any means necessary to extract mission specific information from only an enemy combatant.

SECTION 3: COMBAT REPORTS AND ACCOUNTABILITY

(1) For the purpose of this act, U.S. military personnel are to fully complete combat reports immediately after mission completion. (2) Combat reports- upon full completion- are to be immediately submitted to the Judge Advocate General's Corps (J.A.G. CORPS). (3) The J.A.G. CORPS is hereby authorized to hold the U.S. military fully accountable before U.S. military law and renewed rules of engagement. (4) The J.A.G. CORPS is required to annually submit a fiscal year overall combat report to the U.S. Department of Justice including access to individual combat reports.

The United Nations Security Act of 2023

SECTION 1: CONGRESSIONAL FINDINGS

Admittance to the United States under the cover of a United Nations representative allows access to areas of critical concern to the national security of the United States, such as New York City. Despite previous security measures, it remains possible for a representative to the United Nations to gain admittance to the United States after past involvement in espionage activities or a terrorist activity against the United States. This poses a threat to United States national security interests.

SECTION 2: VISA LIMITATION FOR CERTAIN REPRESENTATIVES TO THE UNITED NATIONS.

(a) Section 407 of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 1990 and 1991 (8 U.S.C. 1102) is amended to deny a Visa to the United States of any person applying to be a representative to the United Nations found to have past involvement in espionage activities or a terrorist activity against the United States. (b) Any such person currently employed by the United Nations or acting as a representative to the United Nations shall have their Visa revoked determination due to past involvement in espionage activities or a terrorist activities or a terrorist activity against the United States.

The Cellular Communication Protection Act of 2023

SECTION 1: CONGRESSIONAL FINDINGS

Congress finds that the people of the United States have the right to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects from unreasonable search and seizure. Congress finds the seizure of private communications without legal process to be reprehensible and against the American principles of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

SECTION 2: DEFINITIONS

(1) Cellular provider means any person or company that provides cellular service and is able to monitor usage via their network of towers. (2) Monitoring means the interception of communication, to include the location of any cellular phone. (3) Information means any record or other unique thing kept by a cellular provider for a particular account or pertaining to a particular account.

SECTION 3: PROTECTION OF CELLULAR COMMUNICATION; PENALTY

(1) No agency of the federal, state, or local government, nor anyone acting as their agent shall secure or obtain any information from any cellular provider as defined in Sec. 2 (1) unless sufficient cause to do so has been heard in a court of competent jurisdiction and a search warrant issued. (2) No agency or person as defined in subsection (1) shall engage in any monitoring unless a warrant has been obtained as stated in subsection (1). (3) Any agency or person in violation of this section is liable for a fine of \$100,000 per day of occurrence payable to the person(s) so aggrieved.

The High-Capacity Ammunition Magazine Ban of 2023

SECTION 1: DEFINITIONS.

Section 921(a) of title 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting after paragraph (29) the following:

- '(30) The term 'large capacity ammunition feeding device'-
 - '(A) means a magazine, belt, drum, feed strip, or similar device, including any such device joined or coupled with another in any manner, that has an overall capacity of, or that can be readily restored, changed, or converted to accept, more than 10 rounds of ammunition; and
 - ⁽(B) does not include an attached tubular device designed to accept, and capable of operating only with, .22 caliber rimfire ammunition.
- (31) The term 'qualified law enforcement officer' has the meaning given the term in section 926B.'.

SECTION 2: RESTRICTIONS ON LARGE CAPACITY AMMUNITION FEEDING DEVICES.

(a) In General-Section 922 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting after subsection (u) the following:

- (1) It shall be unlawful for a person to import, sell, manufacture, transfer, or possess, in or affecting interstate or foreign commerce, a large capacity ammunition feeding device.
- '(2) Paragraph (1) shall not apply to the possession of any large capacity ammunition feeding device otherwise lawfully possessed on or before the date of enactment of the High-Capacity Ammunition Magazine Ban of 2023:

The Ammunition Management for More Obtainability Act of 2023

SECTION 1: PROHIBITION ON PURCHASING AMMUNITION.

(a) Definitions- In this section-

- (1) the term 'agency' has the meaning given that term in section 551 of title 5, United States Code;
- (2) the term 'ammunition' has the meaning given that term in section 921 of title 18, United States Code; and
- (3) the term 'covered agency'-
 - (A) means an agency; and
 - (B) does not include the Department of Defense.
 - (a) Prohibition- During the 6-month period beginning on the date of enactment of this Act, a covered agency may not purchase during any month or possess, at any one time, more rounds of ammunition than the monthly average of the number of rounds of ammunition purchased by the covered agency during the period beginning on January 1, 2001 and ending on December 31, 2009.
 - (b) GAO Report- Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to Congress a report regarding the purchasing of ammunition by agencies, which shall include an assessment of the effect of the purchasing of ammunition by agencies on the supply of ammunition available to the public.

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED The Federal Term Limit Act of 2023

SECTION 1: FINDINGS

Currently, 40% of senators and 26% percent of representatives are 65 years or older. Additionally, less than 5% of Congress is between the ages of 25 to 40, compared to 33% of the U.S population being in that age range.

SECTION 2: TERM LIMITS

To bring more representation to one-third of the country, term limits will be imposed on both chambers of Congress. A Senator shall be allowed 2 consecutive terms, which is a 12 year limit. A Representative shall be allowed 5 consecutive terms, which is a 10 year limit. If a senator desires to run for a third term in office, there shall be a ten year waiting period between their second consecutive term and their third term. If a Representative desires to run for a sixth term in office, there shall be a ten year waiting period between their shall be a ten year waiting period between their second consecutive term and their third term. If a Representative term and their sixth term. Each additional term must be separated by an additional 10 year waiting period for all congressional seats.

SECTION 3: IMPLEMENTATION

This Act shall go into effect at the start of the new congressional session in 2025. For any and all current Senators and Representatives, the term they are currently serving will count as their first term. They will, therefore, still be eligible to run for all additional consecutive terms.

The Cyber Intelligence Sharing and Protection Act of 2023

SECTION 1: FEDERAL GOVERNMENT COORDINATION WITH RESPECT TO CYBERSECURITY.

(a) Coordinated Activities- The Federal Government shall conduct cybersecurity activities to provide shared situational awareness that enables integrated operational actions to protect, prevent, mitigate, respond to, and recover from cyber incidents.

(1) DESIGNATION OF COORDINATING ENTITY FOR CYBER THREAT INFORMATION- The

President shall designate an entity within the Department of Homeland Security as the civilian Federal entity to receive cyber threat information.

SECTION 2: CYBER THREAT INTELLIGENCE AND INFORMATION SHARING.

(a) The National Security Act of 1947 is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

CYBER THREAT INTELLIGENCE AND INFORMATION SHARING

Sec. 1104: (a) Intelligence Community Sharing of Cyber Threat Intelligence With Private Sector and Utilities (1) IN GENERAL- The Director of National Intelligence shall establish procedures to allow elements of the intelligence community to be shared consistent with the need to protect the national security of the United States.

The Safe Communities, Safe Schools Act of 2023

SECTION 1: BACKGROUND CHECKS.

(a) All Individuals buying a gun are required to be listed in the National Instant Criminal Background Check System

SECTION 2: REAUTHORIZATION OF NICS ACT RECORD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM GRANTS.

(a) The Attorney General, in determining the compliance of a State under this section for the purpose of granting a waiver or imposing a loss of Federal funds, shall assess the total percentage of records provided by the State concerning any event occurring within the time period established by the Attorney General, which would disqualify a person from possessing a firearm under subsection (g) or (n) of section 922 of title 18, United States Code.
(b) Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this act, the Attorney General shall, through regulation, establish the time period described in subparagraph (A).

SECTION 3: AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL- There are to be authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section \$100,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2023 through 2023:

SECTION 4: PENALTIES FOR STATES THAT DO NOT MAKE DATA AVAILABLE.

(a) During the 2-year period beginning on the date on which the Attorney General publishes final rules required, the Attorney General may withhold not more than 3 percent of the amount that would otherwise be allocated to a State under section 505 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 if the State provides less than 50 percent of the records required to be provided.

The Universal National Service Act of 2023

SECTION 1: NATIONAL SERVICE OBLIGATION.

(a) Obligation for Service- It is the obligation of every citizen of the United States, and every other person residing in the United States, who is between the ages of 18 and 25 to perform a period of national service as prescribed in this title unless exempted under the provisions of this title.

- (b) Forms of National Service- The national service obligation under this title shall be performed either through-
 - (1) military service; or
 - (2) civilian service in a Federal, State, or local government program or with a communitybased agency or community-based entity that, as determined by the President, is engaged in meeting human, educational, environmental, or public safety needs.

(c) Age Limits- A person may be inducted under this title only if the person has attained the age of 18 and has not attained the age of 25:

SECTION 2: TWO-YEAR PERIOD OF NATIONAL SERVICE.

(a) General Rule- Except as otherwise provided in this section, the period of national service performed by a person under this title shall be two years.

(b) Grounds for Extension- At the discretion of the President, the period of military service for a member of the uniformed services under this title may be extended-

(1) with the consent of the member, for the purpose of furnishing hospitalization, medical, or surgical care for injury or illness incurred in line of duty; or

(2) for the purpose of requiring the member to compensate for any time lost to training for any cause.

SECTION 3: IMPLEMENTATION BY THE PRESIDENT.

(a) In General- The President shall prescribe such regulations as are necessary to carry out this title.

The NRA Members' Gun Safety Act of 2023

SECTION 1: PURPOSE.

The purpose of this title is to extend the Brady Law background check procedures to all sales and transfers of firearms.

SECTION 2:: FIREARMS TRANSFERS.

(a) The term 'unlicensed transferee' means a person who-

- (1) is not licensed under this chapter; and desires to receive a firearm from an unlicensed transferor; and
- (b) the term 'unlicensed transferor' means a person who-

(1) is not licensed under this chapter; and desires to transfer a firearm to an unlicensed transferee.

(c) Responsibilities of Transferors Other Than Licensees

- (1) It shall be unlawful for an unlicensed transferor to transfer a firearm to an unlicensed transferee, unless the firearm is transferred-
 - (i) through a licensed dealer or a law enforcement agency;
 - (ii) after inspecting a permit that confirms a background check; or
 - (iii) in accordance with an exception described herein; and (iv) in accordance with paragraph (d).

(d) CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS- Except as provided, an unlicensed transferor may not transfer a firearm to an unlicensed transferee until the unlicensed transferee has presented a permit that confirms that a background check has been conducted.

A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT The Repeal of the 26th Amendment

SECTION 1: PURPOSE

The current voting age in the United States is 18, in accordance with the 26th Amendment. Because individuals cannot drink alcohol, smoke, or own a handgun until the age of 21, the age where individuals should be deemed responsible enough to vote should be raised to 21.

SECTION 2: REPEAL OF THE 26TH AMENDMENT

Because this act would require a repeal of a constitutional amendment, this would need a two thirds majority of both the Senate and the House to enact this change.

SECTION 3: AMENDMENTS

The 26th Amendment is hereby repealed. The 28th Amendment shall read:

Section 1: The right of citizens of the United States, who are twenty one years of age or older, to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of age. **Section 2.** The Congress shall have the power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

This amendment shall be implemented in the next election cycle following the signing of this act.

The Repeal Of The Selective Service Act 2023

SECTION 1: CONGRESSIONAL FINDINGS

Congress finds that male residents of the United States eighteen years and older, are involuntarily being registered for possibilities of conscription in direct contradiction to the United States Constitution's 13th Amendment.

SECTION 2: DEFINITIONS

(1) registered, meaning the act or process of entering information about something in a book or system of public records. (2) conscription, meaning the practice of ordering people by law to serve in the armed forces. (3) the 13th Amendment as stated: Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States, or any place subject to their jurisdiction."

SECTION 3: PROTECTION AGAINST INVOLUNTARY SERVITUDE; PENALTY

(1) Any individual who wishes to join the United States military of their own accord is free to do so, but in no way will the Federal Government have the authority to legally conscript or force anyone to register, knowingly or unknowingly, for the possibility of "involuntary servitude." (2) If at the time of the passing of this act, legal conscription has been enforced, any and all individuals will have the opportunity to reconsider their military service immediately upon the passing of this act. (3) In no way will the United States Federal Government be allowed to sentence a convicted criminal to military servitude. (4) If at the time of the passing of this act, legal conscription has occurred and a draftee chooses to leave the military, he will have all of his taxes that he has paid as far back as five years prior, refunded to him in full. (5) If at the time of the passing of this act, legal conscription has occurred and a draftee died within the past five years prior to the passing of this act, then the draftee's next of kin will receive the deceased draftee's fully refunded taxes from the past ten years.

The United States-Israel Strategic Partnership Act of 2023

SECTION 1: SHORT TITLE, PURPOSE.

This Act may be cited as the 'United States-Israel Strategic Partnership Act of 2023' to enhance the strategic partnership between the United States and Israel.

SECTION 2: FINDINGS.

Congress makes the following findings: (1) The people and the Governments of the United States and Israel share a deep and unbreakable bond, forged by over 60 years of shared interests and shared values. (2) Today, the people and Governments of the United States and Israel are facing a dynamic and rapidly changing security environment in the Middle East and North Africa, necessitating deeper cooperation on a range of defense, security, and intelligence matters. (3) Given these challenges, it is imperative that the United States continue to deepen cooperation with allies like Israel in pursuit of shared policy objectives.

SECTION 3: STATEMENT OF POLICY.

It is the policy of the United States-(1) to reaffirm the unwavering support of the United States for the security of Israel as a Jewish state; (2) to reaffirm the principals and objectives enshrined in the United States-Israel Enhanced Security Cooperation Act of 2023 (Public Law 112-150) and ensure its implementation to the fullest extent; (3) to reaffirm the importance of the 2007 United States-Israel Memorandum of Understanding on United States assistance to Israel and the semiannual Strategic Dialogue between the United States and Israel; (4) to pursue every opportunity to deepen cooperation with Israel on a range of critical issues including defense, homeland, energy, and cyber security; (5) to continue to provide Israel with robust security assistance, including for the development, procurement, and maintenance of the Iron Dome Missile Defense System.

The Patriot Generation Act of 2023

SECTION 1: CONGRESSIONAL FINDINGS

It is founds that the Government of the United States of America has the duty to educate its citizens in an understanding of civic-minded expectations, of upright and desirable citizenry that recognizes and accepts responsibility for preserving and defending the liberty inherited from prior generations and secured by the United States Constitution.

SECTION 2: EDUCATION OBLIGATION

To help families, civic institutions, local communities, district school boards, and charter schools prepare students to be civically responsible and knowledgeable adults, the Public School system around the United States shall: (a) integrate a civic education system curriculum that school districts and charter schools must incorporate as part of regular school work in kindergarten through grade twelve (12). (b) The civic education curriculum must assist students in developing: An understanding of their shared rights and responsibilities as residents of the state and of the founding principles of the United States. © There are offices that can be filled even by persons as young as eighteen (18) years of age, and this civic education will help in students' education about how to carry on our founding principles, traditions, and aws as citizens of the United States of America.

SECTION 3: IMPLEMENTATION

- 1. Each state's department of Education must implement this civic education program within twelve (12) months of this act becoming a law. Local School Boards will discuss curriculum selections publicly for parents and their students before implementing the programs.
- 2. This curriculum shall require students to:
 - 1. Attend at least one (1) city council meeting or county commissioner meeting.
 - 2. In part, be educated on Roberts Rules of Order and other procedures.
 - 3. Baring unforeseen health crisis, this class shall be attedned in-person.

SECTION 4: PROGRAM DETAILS

The civic education program shall include:

- 1. Implementation of the 1776 Act that was researched and put together by American Patriot experts.
- 2. Civic duty education (referenced in section 3).
- 3. Reading and studying of documents including but not limited to: the Constitution of the United States, the Declaration of Independence, the National Anthem Poem.



BUSINESS, ECONOMY, AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE

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The Unlocking Consumer Choice and Wireless Competition Act of 2023

SECTION 1: FINDINGS OF CONGRESS.

Congress finds that consumers are being taken advantage of by wireless providers that charge excessive fees to transfer service to another provider, commonly known as "locking" a wireless device to a certain provider. In order to provide for the general welfare of the nation, it is in the best interest of Congress to enact additional rules within the free market.

SECTION 2: RULEMAKING BY CONGRESS.

Rulemaking- Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the the exemption for the class of works described in section 201:40(b)(3) of title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, as amended by subsection, to include any other category of wireless devices in addition to wireless telephone handsets. No wireless provider may restrict or in any way lock any wireless device to a proprietary service.

The FairTax Act of 2023

SECTION 1: CONGRESSIONAL FINDINGS.

(a) Findings Relating to Federal Income Tax- Congress finds the Federal income tax-

- (1) stunts economic growth and has reduced the standard of living of the American public;
- (2) impedes the international competitiveness of United States industry;
- (3) reduces savings and investment in the United States by taxing income multiple times;
- (4) slows the capital formation necessary for real wages to steadily increase;
- (5) lowers productivity.

SECTION 2: SALES TAX.

(a) In General- The Internal Revenue Code of 2024 is repealed and replaced with the following new subtitle: Subtitle A--Sales Tax

(b) In General- There is hereby imposed a tax on the use or consumption in the United States of taxable property or services.

- (c) Rate
 - (1) FOR 2024- In the calendar year 2024, the rate of tax is 23 percent of the gross payments for the taxable property or service.
 - (2) FOR YEARS AFTER 2024- For years after the calendar year 2024, the rate of tax is the combined Federal tax rate percentage (as defined in paragraph (3)) of the gross payments for the taxable property or service.
 - (3) COMBINED FEDERAL TAX RATE PERCENTAGE- The combined Federal tax rate percentage is the sum of- (A) the general revenue rate, (B) the old-age, survivors and disability insurance rate, and '(C) the hospital insurance rate.

The Income Tax Reform Act of 2023

SECTION 1: CONGRESSIONAL FINDINGS.

(a) Findings Relating to Federal Income Tax- Congress finds the Federal income tax is cumbersome, unfair to most Americans, and not understood by many of them.

SECTION 2: DEFINITIONS.

(a) Income- any money received in the normal course of employment.

(a) Gain- any net revenue after living expenses are paid.

(c) Living expenses- any expense needed in order to be able to be alive, free, and pursue happiness and/or employment. These include but are not limited to rent, mortgage payments, vehicle payments, utility payments, food, child care, clothing, and educational costs.

SECTION 3: INCOME TAX MODIFIED; TAX UPON GAIN.

(a) In General- The Internal Revenue Code of 2023 is repealed and replaced with the following new subtitle: Subtitle A- Tax Upon Gain

- (b) Tax Upon Gain
- (c) Rate
 - (1) The rate of tax is 23 percent of any gain received.

The National Debt Relief Act of 2023

SECTION 1: CONGRESSIONAL FINDINGS.

(a) Findings Relating to the National debt- Congress finds the national debt has exceeded any reasonable level of control.

(b) Several federal agencies exist contrary to the US Constitution and/or their efforts are duplicated at the State level.

(c) Congress is the rule making authority for federal spending.

SECTION 2: FEDERAL SPENDING.

(a) A narrow and specific adherence to Article 1 Section 8 shall be adhered to in all matters of federal spending. If there is a question as to if the need is aligned with said Article, the presumption shall be that it is not. Proof beyond any reasonable doubt must be established in order to qualify the expense.

(b) The federal Departments of Education, Energy, and Environmental Protection are hereby eliminated by being phased out over a five (5) year period commencing in 2023.

(c) Federal block grant programs are hereby phased out over a five (5) year period beginning in 2023.

(d) Military bases in nations deemed viable of self-defense are hereby phased out over a five (5) year period beginning in 2023.

(e) Private retirement funds shall immediately supplement Social Security utilizing the "Galveston Plan" model and shall replace it over a ten (10) year period beginning in 2023 for all first-time entrants into the workforce that would have been otherwise eligible for Social Security. No citizen having paid in to the Social Security System shall receive less than they have paid in.

(f) The federal government shall cease funding any health care plans other than those for federal workers and/or the military over a five (5) year period and instead allow citizens to retain their income to put it to the best use as they determine.

(g) No less than one-half of all federal spending shall be to alleviate federal debt. (h) A balanced budget is required annually from Congress.

The Taxpayers Right-To-Know Act of 2023

SECTION 1: SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be sited as the Taxpayers Right-To-Know Act'.

SECTION 2: COST AND PERFORMANCE OF GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS.

(a) IN GENERAL- Information for each program shall include the following (which shall be updated not less frequently than annually):

- (1) The total administrative expenses for the program for the previous fiscal year.
- (2) The expenditures for services for the program for the previous fiscal year.
- (3) An estimate of the number of clients served by the program and beneficiaries who received assistance under the program (if applicable) for the previous fiscal year.
- (4) An estimate of, for the previous fiscal year-1: The number of full-time Federal employees who administer the program; and 2: The number of full-time employees whose salary is paid in part or full by the Federal Government through a grant or contract, a sub-award of a grant or contract, a cooperative agreement, or another form of financial award or assistance who administer or assist in administering the program.
- (5) An identification of the specific statute that authorizes the program, including whether such authorization is expired.
- (6) Any finding of duplication or overlap identified by internal review, an Inspector General, the Government Accountability Office, or other report to the agency about the program.
- (7) Any program performance reviews (including program performance reports required under section 1116).

The No Budget, Delayed Pay Act of 2023

SECTION 1: TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF DEBT CEILING.

(a) Suspension- Section 3101(b) of title 31, United States Code, shall not apply for the period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act and ending on May 18, 2024.

- (b) Effective May 19, 2024, the limitation in the debt ceiling is increased to the extent that-
 - (1) the amount of obligations issued under chapter 31 of such title and the amount of obligations guaranteed by the United States Government outstanding on May 19, 2024, exceeds the face amount of such obligations outstanding on the date of the enactment of this Act.

An obligation shall not be taken into account under paragraph (1) unless the issuance of such obligation was necessary to fund a commitment incurred by the Federal Government that required payment before May 19, 2024.

SECTION 2: HOLDING SALARIES OF MEMBERS OF CONGRESS IN ESCROW UPON FAILURE TO AGREE TO BUDGET RESOLUTION.

(a) Holding Salaries in Escrow

- IN GENERAL- If by April 15, 2024, a House of Congress has not agreed to a budget for fiscal year 2024 pursuant to section 301 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, during the period described in paragraph (2) the payroll administrator of that House of Congress shall deposit in an escrow account all payments otherwise required to be made during such period for the compensation of Members of Congress who serve in that House of Congress, and shall release such payments to such Members only upon the expiration of such period.
- (2) PERIOD DESCRIBED- With respect to a House of Congress, the period described in this paragraph is the period which begins on April 16, 2024, and ends on the earlier of-
 - (A) the day on which the House of Congress agrees to a budget for fiscal year 2024 pursuant to section 301 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974; or (B) the last day of the One Hundred Fifteenth Congress.

The Unlocking Technology Act of 2022

SECTION 1: INFRINGEMENT OF A COPYRIGHT REQUIRED FOR ANTI-CIRCUMVENTION PROHIBITION.

(a) No person shall, in order to infringe or facilitate infringement of a copyright in a work protected under this title, circumvent a technological measure that effectively controls access to that work

(b) It shall not be a violation of this section to circumvent a technological measure in connection with a work protected under this title if the purpose of such circumvention is to engage in a use that is not an infringement of copyright under this title.

(c) It is not a violation of this section to use, manufacture, import, offer to the public, provide, or otherwise traffic in any technology, product, service, device, component, or part thereof that is primarily designed or produced for the purpose of facilitating noninfringing uses of works protected under this title by circumventing a technological measure that effectively controls access to that work, unless it is the intent of the person that uses, manufactures, imports, offers to the public, provides, or traffics in the technology, product, service, device, component, or part to infringe copyright or to facilitate the infringement of a copyright.'

SECTION 2: EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Act shall apply after the expiration of the 9-month period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act.

The Marijuana Reclassification Act of 2023

SECTION 1: DECRIMINALIZATION OF MARIJUANA.

(a) Removal From Schedule of Controlled Substances- Notwithstanding any other provision of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 801 et seq.), the Attorney General shall, not later than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, issue a final order that removes marijuana in any form from schedules V (Five), IV (Four), and III (Three) under section 202(c) of that Act (21 U.S.C. 812(c)).

SECTION 2: APPLICATION OF THE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT AND CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES IMPORT AND EXPORT ACT TO MARIJUANA.

Part A of the Controlled Substances Act is amended by adding at the end the following: (a) General Non-application-Except as provided in this section, this title and title III do not apply to marihuana.

(a) Exception: Prohibition on Certain Transportations and Shipments- It shall be unlawful to ship or transport marihuana from any place outside a State, territory, or district of the United States, or other place noncontiguous to but subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, into that State, territory, or district of the United States, or place, when such marihuana is intended by any person interested therein to be received, possessed, sold, or in any manner used, in violation of any law of such State, territory, district, or place.

(a) Penalty- Whoever knowingly violates subsection (b) shall be fined under title 18, United States Code, or imprisoned not more than one year, or both.'.

SECTION 3: EXEMPTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS

Nothing in this act will be construed to allow schedule II (two) or I (one) marijuana in any form to be given without a medical prescription from a licensed physician.

Immediately upon the effective date of this act, Congress shall direct each state's Department of Health to promulgate rules to address new prescriptive procedures.

The Federal Reserve Transparency Act of 2023

SECTION 1: AUDIT REFORM AND TRANSPARENCY FOR THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM.

(a) An audit of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal reserve banks shall be completed within 12 months after the date of the enactment of this Act.

- (b) Report
 - (1) A report on the audit required under subsection (a) shall be submitted by the Comptroller General to the Congress before the end of the 90-day period beginning on the date on which such audit is completed and made available to the Speaker of the House, the majority and minority leaders of the House of Representatives, the majority and minority leaders of the Senate, the Chairman and Ranking Member of the committee and each subcommittee of jurisdiction in the House of Representatives and the Senate, and any other Member of Congress who requests the report.
 - (2) CONTENTS- The report under paragraph (1) shall include a detailed description of the findings and conclusion of the Comptroller General with respect to the audit that is the subject of the report, together with such recommendations for legislative or administrative action as the Comptroller General may determine to be appropriate.

SECTION 2: AUDIT OF LOAN FILE REVIEWS REQUIRED BY ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS.

(a) The Comptroller General of the United States shall conduct an audit of the review of loan files of homeowners in foreclosure in 2020 through 2022, required as part of the enforcement actions taken by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System against supervised financial institutions.

(b) Report- Not later than the end of the 6-month period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General shall issue a report to the Congress containing all findings and determinations made in carrying out the audit required under subsection (a).

The Enumerated Powers Act of 2023

SECTION 1: SPECIFICATION OF CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY FOR ENACTMENT OF LAW.

(a) Constitutional Authority for This Act- This Act is enacted pursuant to the power granted Congress under article I, section 8, clause 18, of the United States Constitution and the power granted to each House of Congress under article I, section 5, clause 2, of the United States Constitution.

(b) Constitutional Authority Statement Required- Chapter 2 of title 1, United States Code, is amended by inserting after section 102 the following new section:

'Sec. 102a. Constitutional authority clause

'(a) Each Act of Congress shall contain a concise and definite statement of the constitutional authority relied upon for the enactment of each portion of that Act. The failure to comply with this section shall give rise to a point of order in either House of Congress. The availability of this point of order does not affect any other available relief. '(b) The provisions of this section are enacted by the Congress-

'(1) as an exercise of the rule making power of the House of Representatives and the Senate, respectively, and as such they shall be considered as part of the rules of each House, respectively, or of that House to which they specifically apply, and such rules shall supersede other rules only to the extent that they are inconsistent therewith; and '(2) with full recognition of the constitutional right of either House to change such rules (so far as relating to such House) at any time, in the same manner, and to the same extent as in the case of any other rule of such House.'.

(c) Clerical Amendment- The table of sections at the beginning of chapter 2 of title 1, United States Code, is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 102 the following new item: '102a. Constitutional authority clause.'.

The Social Security Fairness Act of 2023

SECTION 1: REPEAL OF GOVERNMENT PENSION OFFSET PROVISION.

(a) In General- Section 202(k) of the Social Security Act is amended by striking paragraph (5) and repealing language related to the government pension offset, so as to allow those with government pensions that have paid into the Social Security System to recoup without penalty or offset the money paid in.

SECTION 2: REPEAL OF WINDFALL ELIMINATION PROVISIONS.

(a) In General- Section 215 of the Social Security Act is amended by repealing the language related to the windfall elimination provisions. Congress finds that the obligation under which Social Security payments were made exists regardless of the current income status of the individual that paid into the system.

SECTION 3: EFFECTIVE DATE.

The amendments made by this Act shall apply with respect to monthly insurance benefits payable under title II of the Social Security Act for months after December 2023. Notwithstanding section 215(f) of the Social Security Act, the Commissioner of Social Security shall adjust primary insurance amounts to the extent necessary to take into account the amendments made by section 3:

The Raising Minimum Wage Act of 2023

SECTION 1: CONGRESSIONAL FINDINGS

Congress finds that the people living on minimum wage do not make enough money to support their families. Congress finds it is the role of the Government to help and protect its citizens. Congress finds working 40 hours a week for an hourly wage of 7.25 is not enough to support an average family of four.

SEC 2: DEFINITIONS

(1) Minimum Wage means the minimum amount of money an employee may be paid per hour by his/her employer

SEC 3: FINDINGS

The current federal minimum wage is \$7.25. Not many family's incomes are based solely off minimum wage, but there are several who do live solely off of a minimum wage income. A person who works (50) fifty hours a week for an entire year off of minimum wage would only make \$18.9K before taxes annually. The average family of four spends \$12.6K on housing annually, \$8.4K on food, \$5K on transportation, \$5K on medical, 4.2K on clothing, and \$1.7K on entertainment. \$18.9K is not enough for a hard-working family to live on.

SEC 4: RAISING MINIMUM WAGE; PENALTY

(1) No employer can pay his/her employee less than \$15.00 dollars per hour (2) unless specifically given permission from governing authority. (3) Any cooperation, company, or agency in violation of this act is liable for a fine not to exceed \$50,000.00 per violation.

The Abolition Of Government Funded School Systems Act Of 2023

Purpose: To allow more direct involvement of parents in the education of their children and to allow free expression of views in schools without government endorsement of a specific view. Also, to lighten tax burdens.

SECTION 1: INTENDED RESULTS

The public school system will cease to be a government-run function in the United States. The parents of each district, as well as their respective, self-run councils, will be responsible for hiring teachers, staff and deciding upon school curriculums.

SECTION 2: FAMILY RESPONSIBILITY

The families of each student will be responsible for paying for their own student's enrollment. If there is a lack of funds, the school board members can decide amongst themselves how to raise adequate money.

SECTION 3: TAX CANCELLATION

Taxes formerly used for education will no longer need to be paid, seeing as the families with children will directly be funding their own school.

SECTION 4: SCHOOL PROPERTY RESTRUCTURING

All buildings formerly belonging to the public school systems for use as schools, will be sold to the neighborhood schools, as their former use is now irrelevant.

SECTION 5: ANNUAL OVERSIGHT AND EXAMINATION

Each school will be required annually to be examined by a private school board council to ensure that subject matter is being covered adequately. Other than a base minimum of what must be accomplished in a year, the government will not be able to mandate what must be taught within schools.

SECTION 6: IMPLEMENTATION

This bill will be enacted three full school years from the signing by the President. The time between its passing and its enactment is purely for the purpose of organizing necessary committees and staffs.

The Worker's Rights Act of 2023

Purpose: To permit employees to request changes to their work schedules without fear of retaliation and to ensure that employers consider these requests, and to require employers to provide more predictable and stable schedules for employees in certain occupations with evidence of unpredictable and unstable scheduling practices that negatively affect employees, and for other purposes.

SECTION 1: SHORT TITLE; FINDINGS

(a) Unstable, unpredictable, and rigid scheduling practices have been shown in numerous studies and surveys to disproportionately affect low-wage workers, women, and workers of color.

(b) Difficult scheduling practices negatively impact workers and families, both economically and socially. Fluctuations in income hurts those who are trying to feed their families; a stable and predictable schedule guarantees a wage amount and can improve sales and worker productivity.

SECTION 2: FLEXIBLE SCHEDULE ALLOWANCE

(a) All employees of companies with more than 15 workers will have the right to request changes in their schedules without fear of retaliation. Employers would be required to consider and respond to all schedule requests, and, when a worker's request is made because of a health condition, child or elder care, a second job, continued education, or job training, the employer would be required to grant the request unless a legitimate business reason precludes it.

(b) Employees in food service, cleaning, hospitality, warehouse, and retail occupations – as well as other occupations designated by the Secretary of Labor – will have advance notice of their work schedules and receive additional pay when they are put "on-call" without any guarantee that work will be available; are sent home early on slow days; are scheduled for a "split shift;" or receive schedule changes or shifts are cancelled with less than two weeks' notice.

(c) Employers would be prohibited from requiring employees to work with less than eleven hours of rest between shifts and would be required pay employees time and a half if they voluntarily agree with less than 11 hours rest.

(d) This act shall not be misconstrued to take away the rights of workers under current Federal code.

SECTION 3: LEGISLATIVE IMPLEMENTATION

(a) The Secretary of Labor shall oversee the implementation and enforcement of these regulations and will be allowed to hear complaints, adjudicate violations, and obtain punitive (but not excessive) damages from businesses who do not comply after multiple violations.

(b) This Act will exclude any workers and/or businesses under contract with a recognized collective bargaining agreement.

(c) Any administrative issues not addressed by this legislation are hereby delegated to the Secretary of Labor to adjust and implement as their office sees fit.

The Stakeholder Corporate Democracy Act of 2023

Purpose: To require corporations who list their shares on the open market to have labor representation on their corporate governance boards not to be less than one third (1/3) of the total seats.

SECTION 1: SHORT TITLE; FINDINGS

(a) Following the doctrine of "maximizing shareholder value" for the past 40 years, corporate boards controlled by largescale shareholders have funneled their revenues to those shareholders and the corporate executives whose pay is linked to shareholder rewards—at the expense of investment and wages and the general welfare of lower classes.

(b) Other nations have found success in giving representation to all stakeholders in a public company, including shareholders and the workers at the company.

(c) Section 12(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 781(b)(1)) refers to any company which meets certain

SECTION 2: WORKER REPRESENTATION

(a) Registration Requirements For Securities issued by corporate boards of governors.—Section 12(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 781(b)(1)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

(b) "(4) No company or board may register securities (stocks) on a national exchange unless at least 1/3 of the issuer's directors are chosen by the issuing company's employees in a one-employee-one-vote election process.".

(c) The Securities and Exchange Commission, in consultation with the National Labor Relations Board, shall create and enforce regulations related to this legislation. The Commission will continue to manage corporate elections and ensure employees are granted their rights to vote for at least 1/3 of the seats on a corporation's board.

(d) The Securities and Exchange Commission will ensure that 1/3 of an issuer's board of directors will be composed of employee representatives within 2 years of the date of enactment of this Act.

SECTION 3: LEGISLATIVE IMPLEMENTATION

(a) The Securities and Exchange Commission shall create regulations to direct national securities exchanges and issuers, as defined in this bill to comply with this Act and all rules stemming from it.
A BILL TO BE ENTITLED The Student Loan Forgiveness Act of 2023

SECTION 1: FINDINGS

Currently, more than \$1.7 trillion is owed by United States citizens in student debt alone. Over 42 million borrowers currently have student debt, with the average borrower owing over \$37,000. Additionally, the average student going to a public university has to borrow on average over \$32,000 to obtain a bachelor's degree.

SECTION 2: IMPLEMENTATION

Borrowers will apply to the United States Department of Education and, upon approval, will have a portion of student debt forgiven, not to exceed \$10,000.

SECTION 3: ELIGIBILITY

There shall be two requirements to meet eligibility for loan forgiveness:

- (a) Borrowers annual household income must not exceed \$100,000.
- (b)Borrowers must have completed the degree for which they took out the loans to be eligible for debt forgiveness.



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The SuperPAC Elimination Act of 2023

SECTION 1: CONGRESSIONAL FINDINGS

Congress finds that funding of federal candidates for election is an area where full public disclosure must be made. Currently, laws allow for Political Action Committees to hide from disclosure large sums of donations while restricting personal donations, and this is not in the public interest.

SECTION 2: DEFINITIONS

(a) Election means any election involving a federal office. (b) Political Action Committee means any group that solicits or otherwise collects funds for any federal candidate. (c) Donation is anything of value, to include money or any in-kind service.

SECTION 3: POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE ELIMINATION; PENALTY

(a) No person or group of persons shall solicit or collect any aggregate amount over \$5,000 towards any federal election. (b) The current limit upon individual donations to elections is repealed. If a candidate receives an aggregate amount of contributions in excess of \$5,000 from any contributor during a calendar year, the principal campaign committee of such candidate shall submit to the Secretary or the Federal Election Commission in writing, a notification containing the name of the candidate and office sought by the candidate, the identification of the contributor, and the date of the receipt and amount of the contribution. (c) Any person in violation of this section is liable for a fine of \$10,000 per occurrence.

The amendments made by this Act shall apply to contributions made for elections occurring after the date of the enactment of this Act.

The Federal Election Reform Act of 2023

SECTION 1: MAIL IN BALLOTS

Upon passage of this bill, all mail-in ballots for elections of government officials of any kind are hereby banned as a primary form of voting.

SECTION 2: EXCEPTIONS

A voter will be allowed to vote by mail-in ballot only as an absentee form of voting and only under one of the following conditions:

- (a) He/she has a health condition that prohibits him/her from voting.
- (b) He/she is currently serving overseas in the military or is otherwise unable to return to the United States to vote.
- (c) He/she is currently in school or working in a different state and is unable to return home to vote.

SECTION 3: FEDERAL VOTING HOLIDAY.

There will be a national federal holiday, called Election Day, which will enable more individuals to have the time needed to vote on Election Day.

SECTION 4: EARLY VOTING

Early voting laws will be delegated to the states to determine the length and procedures of early voting. At a minimum, each state is required to have a minimum of one week of early voting to allow those who are not eligible for absentee voting to cast their ballot.

The Citizen Voter ID Act of 2023

SECTION 1: FINDINGS

Integrity of elections is paramount to public confidence in government. In the past, irregularities in voting have caused great strife and resulted in a loss of the public trust. In order to restore the public trust, it is imperative to permit States to require proof of citizenship for registration to vote in elections for Federal office.

SECTION 2: STATES PERMITTED TO REQUIRE PROOF OF CITIZENSHIP FOR VOTER REGISTRATION.

Section 6 of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (42 U.S.C. 1973) is amended by adding at the end the following new subsections:

- (a) Proof of Citizenship- Nothing in subsection (a) shall be construed to preempt any State law requiring evidence of citizenship in order to complete any requirement to register to vote in elections for Federal office.
- (b) The type of evidence of citizenship shall be noted on the voter application. In order to ensure privacy and protect against identity theft, no evidence of citizenship shall be retained in any manner to include paper or electronic means by any agency of federal or state government.'

The Expanding Opportunity in Quality Charter Schools Act of 2023

SECTION 1: CONGRESSIONAL FINDINGS.

Congress finds it is necessary and prudent to amend the charter school program under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965:

SECTION 2: PURPOSE

(a)To improve the United States education system and educational opportunities for all individuals in the United States by supporting innovation in public education in public school settings that prepare students to compete in, and contribute to, the global economy; (b) To provide financial assistance for the planning, program design, and initial implementation of charter schools; (c) To increase the number of highquality charter schools available to students across the Nation

SECTION 3: FUNDING

There is hereby allocated the sum of \$45,000,000 million annually for the fiscal years of 2024 through 2032 in order to carry out this Act.

SECTION 4: GRANTS TO SUPPORT HIGH-QUALITY CHARTER SCHOOLS.

(a) Program Authorized- From the amount available under section 3, the Secretary shall award, on a competitive basis, grants to State entities having applications approved under subsection (f) to enable such entities to-(1) award sub-grants to eligible applicants-(A) to open new charter schools; (B) to replicate high-quality charter schools; or (C) to expand high-quality charter schools.

The National ID Card Repeal Act of 2023

SECTION 1: CONGRESSIONAL FINDINGS.

(a) Findings Relating to the National ID Card- Congress finds the premise of a National ID card as enacted in Title II of the REAL ID Act of 2005 to be contrary to the principles of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness upon which America was founded. (b) Congress finds that Title II of the federal REAL ID Act was passed in violation of the 1st, 4th, and 10th Amendments to the US Constitution.

(a) Congress finds the states, not Congress, have the authority to determine any driver license or ID card laws pursuant to both Article 1 Section 8 and the 10th Amendment to the US Constitution.

(b) Congress finds Title II of the federal REAL ID Act has cost the states and citizens millions of dollars while not preventing one terror plot.

SECTION 2: DEFINITIONS.

(a) National ID card- any state driver license or ID card issued under the federal REAL ID Act..

(b) State- any state or territorial government of these United States that issues a driver license or ID card, to include the District of Columbia.

SECTION 3: REAL ID ACT REPEALED.

(a) In General- Title II of the federal REAL ID Act of 2005 is repealed.

(b) Congress shall pass no law abridging the right of the people to seek redress of their grievances with their government, such as needing "federal identification" to enter a federal building.

(c) The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers and effects shall not be violated in order for them to renew their State driver license or ID card.

(d) The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people. Driver licenses and ID cards are a matter of State jurisdiction.

The Budget Transparency Act of 2023

SECTION 1: PURPOSES.

(a) to assure effective control over the budgetary process; and

(b) to facilitate the determination of the appropriate level of Federal revenues and expenditures by the Congress and the President.

SECTION 2: JOINT RESOLUTION ON THE BUDGET.

(a) subtotals of new budget authority and outlays for non-defense discretionary spending, defense discretionary spending, Medicare, Medicaid, other direct spending (excluding interest), and interest; and for emergencies (for the reserve fund in section 317(b) and for military operations in section 317(C)) must be made public in a format understandable to average Americans, who will have five (5) business days to comment upon them via their representatives.

(b) a measure, as a percentage of gross domestic product, of total outlays, total Federal revenues, the surplus or deficit, and new outlays for non-defense discretionary spending, defense spending, Medicare, Medicaid and other direct spending as set forth in such resolution shall be utilized and in no case shall said outlays exceed total federal revenues.

SECTION 3: BUDGET REQUIRED BEFORE SPENDING BILLS MAY BE CONSIDERED.

(a) Amendments to Section 303 and Conforming Amendments- (1) Section 303 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 is amended by striking '(a) In General- ', by striking 'has been agreed to' and 'takes

effect in subsection (a)', and by striking subsections (b) and (c); and

(2) by striking its section heading and inserting the following new section heading: 'CONSIDERATION OF BUDGET-RELATED LEGISLATION BEFORE BUDGET BECOMES LAW'.

The Disaster Relief Act of 2023

SECTION 1: TEMPORARY INCREASE IN BORROWING AUTHORITY FOR NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM.

(a) Section 1309(a) of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 4016(a)) is amended by striking '\$20,725,000,000' and inserting '\$40,000,000,000'.

(b) The amount provided by this section is designated by the Congress as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 403(a) of S. Con. Res. 13 (111th Congress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2023, and as an emergency pursuant to section 4(g) of the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2023 (2 U.S.C. 933(g)).

SECTION 2: SPENDING AUTHORITY AND DIRECTION

(a) All monies within subsections (a) and (b) under section 1 shall be dispensed only to those states affected by the severe disasters from natural disasters in 2023. Such states shall have declared a state of emergency before funds can be dispensed.

Funds shall be dispensed in an application process only.

(a) The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) shall have appropriating powers to designate where funds will be spent.

A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT The Abolition of the Electoral College

SECTION 1: FINDINGS

Starting in 1824 and happening as recently as the 2016 election, there have been five presidents who have won the election but lost the popular vote. We find that to deny the majority of people in this country their choice of who the president shall be is undemocratic and a threat to our nation's stability.

SECTION 2: ABOLISHING THE ELECTORAL COLLEGE

As the Electoral College is instituted in Article 2 Section 1 of the Constitution, it can only be removed by a Constitutional Amendment. This would need a two thirds majority of both the Senate and the House to add such an amendment.

SECTION 3: AMENDMENT

Article 2 Section 1 of the Constitution beginning at, "Each State shall appoint, in such Manner as the Legislature," and ending at "which day shall be the same throughout the United States" is hereby removed. The following shall replace the prior wording, "Each state must conduct their election on the same day." The president shall be chosen directly by the people through a simple majority vote of the Citizens of the United States. If no presidential candidate reaches the 50% mark then the top two candidates will go into a run-off election to be held exactly one month from the previous election date. In this run-off whoever receives more votes, regardless of the percentage of the majority, will be the president. In the rare event of a tie, the House of Representatives will vote by majority who the next president shall be.

This amendment shall be implemented in the next presidential election following the signing of this act.

The Federal Land Freedom Act of 2023

SECTION 1: SHORT TITLE, PURPOSE.

This Act may be cited as the 'Federal Land Freedom Act of 2023'. The purpose of this act is to achieve domestic energy independence by empowering States to control the development and production of all forms of energy on all available Federal land.

SECTION 2: STATE CONTROL OF ENERGY DEVELOPMENT AND PRODUCTION ON ALL AVAILABLE FEDERAL LAND.

(a) State Programs

- (1) A State may establish a program covering the leasing and permitting processes, regulatory requirements, and any other provisions by which the State would exercise its rights to develop all forms of energy resources on available Federal land in the State; and
- (2) AMENDMENT OF PROGRAMS- A State may amend a program developed and certified under this section at any time.
- (b) Leasing, Permitting, and Regulatory Programs
 - (1) SATISFACTION OF FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS- Each program certified under this section shall be considered to satisfy all applicable requirements of Federal law (including regulations).
 - (2) (2) FEDERAL CERTIFICATION AND TRANSFER OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS- Upon submission of a declaration by a State herein the State shall receive all rights from the Federal Government to develop all forms of energy resources covered by the program.
 - (3) ISSUANCE OF PERMITS AND LEASES- If a State elects to issue a permit or lease for the development of any form of energy resource on any available Federal land within the borders of the State in accordance with a program certified under paragraph
- (c), the permit or lease shall be considered to meet all applicable requirements of Federal law (including regulations).
 - (1) Judicial Review- Activities carried out in accordance with this Act shall not be subject to judicial review.
 - (2) Administrative Procedure Act- Activities carried out in accordance with this Act shall not be subject to the 'Administrative Procedure Act'.

The Accuracy in Reporting Medical Debt Act of 2023

SECTION 1: FINDINGS.

The Congress finds the following:

- (1) According to credit evaluators, medical debt collections are inconsistently reported, and of questionable value in predicting future payment performance.
- (2) Medical debt that has been completely paid off or settled will remain on a consumer's credit report and can significantly damage a consumer's credit score for 7 years.
- (3) Creditworthy consumers may be denied credit, pay higher interest rates, or pay higher fees when buying or refinancing a home loan or obtaining credit for credit-related products due to disputed medical debt on their credit reports.

SECTION 2: DEFINITIONS.

'(A) CONSUMER REPORTING AGENCY- The term 'consumer reporting agency' has the meaning given such term under section 603(f) of the Fair Credit Reporting Act. '(B) DISPUTES THE VALIDITY- With respect to a medical debt, a consumer disputes the validity of such debt if the consumer states, in writing.

(C) MEDICAL DEBT- The term 'medical debt' means a debt arising from the receipt of medical services, products, or devices.

SECTION 3: VALIDATION OF MEDICAL DEBT.

(a) EFFECT OF CONSUMER NOTICE- If the consumer notifies the debt collector, in writing, within the 30-day period described under subsection (a), that the consumer disputes the validity of the debt, the debt collector may not, during the 120-day period beginning on the date that the debt collector sends the written notice described under subsection (a), communicate with, or report any information to, any consumer reporting agency regarding such debt. This paragraph shall have no effect on when a debt collector may or may not engage in activities to collect or attempt to collect any debt owed or due or asserted to be owed.

The WE CARE Act of 2023

SECTION 1: FINDINGS.

The Congress finds the following:

- (1) The long-term health of the Nation's democracy, as well as our economy, is dependent upon the strength of our young people.
- (2) The challenge of educating the Nation's students cannot be met by schools alone. Cross-sector community engagement, including schools, community-based organizations, businesses, parents, faith-based organizations, local government, students and others must all work together to ensure that students receive the support they need to be successful.

SECTION 2: AMENDMENTS TO THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ACT OF 1965:

(a) Statement of Purpose-

- (1) Coordinating services under all parts of this title with each other, with services under all other titles of this Act, with other education services, and with other public and private agencies in the community providing services to children and youth.
- (2) Promoting stronger enhanced partnerships between schools and their communities that can contribute to student success and greater family and community involvement in creating the conditions for learning for their children..

SECTION 3: FEDERAL MATCHING FUND AUTHORIZED.

(a) The Secretary shall award grants to local educational agencies to support the implementation of community involvement policies.

 GRANTS TO LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCIES- A grant to a local educational agency under this section shall not be greater than the amount of matching funds raised by the local educational agency and its community partners.

The Corporate Politics Transparency Act of 2023

SECTION 1: RULES OF ENGAGEMENT

SECTION 1: DISCLOSURE TO SHAREHOLDERS OF CERTAIN POLITICAL EXPENDITURES.

(a) Disclosure of Certain Political Expenditures

- (1) DISCLOSURE REQUIRED- Each quarterly and annual report required under this section shall include a disclosure of the total of any political expenditures in support of or in opposition to any candidate for Federal, State, or local public office made by the issuer during the preceding 6-year period. Such disclosures shall contain, at minimum, the name and political party affiliation of each candidate in support of whom or in opposition to whom a political expenditure was made, the amount of each such expenditure, the public office that such candidate was or is seeking, including the relevant State, city, or district, and a statement of the issuer's interest in and reason for making such expenditure.
- (2) DEFINITION- For purposes of this subsection, the term 'political expenditure in support of or in opposition to any candidate for Federal, State, or local public office' means an expenditure or series of expenditures totaling more than \$10,000 for any single candidate during any single election that-

'(A) is an independent expenditure as such term is defined in the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 or is relating to a candidate for State or local public office that would be treated as an independent expenditure under such Act if the candidate were a candidate for Federal public office;

'(B) is an electioneering communication; or

'(C) dues or other payments to any other organization that are, or could reasonably be anticipated to be, used or transferred to another association or organization.'.

The Proposition of Repealing the 17th Amendment Act of 2023

SECTION 1: FINDINGS.

Congress has made the following findings: (1) the constitution of the United States in Article 1 section 3, gave the State Legislature the right to choose out of their assembly who would represent them in the Federal Senate, and this right given the State Legislature was to provide checks and balances to the Federal Government. (2) The 17th amendment has changed this process and instituted the practice of direct election of the US Federal Senators by the people. (3) The 17th amendment has taken away a check and balance from the State Legislature and undermined the State rights given them in the Constitution.

SECTION 2: PROPOSITION TO REPEAL THE 17th AMENDMENT.

Congress proposes to amend the Constitution of the United States in the form of repealing the 17th amendment, which has harmed State rights and removed an important check and balance for the Federal Government.

SECTION 3: WORDING.

The new amendment will state: "The seventeenth article of amendment to the Constitution of the United States is hereby repealed. The election of Federal Senators will return to the process set out in the Constitution of the United States article I section 3:"

This act shall become effective upon passage by Congress and ratification by the States.

The Cut Campaign Costs Act of 2023

SECTION 1: CONGRESSIONAL FINDINGS

Congress finds that during election campaigns, money tends to be spent in what Congress deems to be excessive amounts. Congress finds that it is granted to authority to lay taxes under Article 1, Section 8 of the Constitution.

SECTION 2: DEFINITIONS (1)

Elections are defined as all political events in which citizens have the right to vote. (2) Campaign cost means the sum of any costs incurred as a result of or in immediate connection to the efforts of a candidate or of his supporters to further the candidate's potential to be elected.

SECTION 3: TAX TO BE IMPOSED; (1)

Any candidate and his supporters whose campaign cost exceeds 100,000 US dollars during a single election is hereby subjected to a tax on the portion in excess of 100,000 US dollars. (2) The rate for this tax is initially set at 40%. (3) The entire revenue from the tax imposed by this Act must be immediately used to pay the National Debt.

The Puerto Rico Self-Determination Act of 2023

SECTION 1: SHORT TITLE; FINDINGS

(a) Puerto Rico has existed under U.S. rule for over 100 years in various roles and forms. Other than its unincorporated territory status and its unequal treatment in some laws, Puerto Rico is socially, economically, politically, and legally integrated into the Nation.

(b) No United States territory that has petitioned for statehood has been denied admission. Congress has recognized Puerto Rico's "right to determine its future political status" in 2016, which may include a vote on statehood.

(c) Granting equality in statehood to Puerto Rico is long overdue in light of the contributions of its residents to the United States and its potential to further strengthen our Union.

SECTION 2: NATIONAL POLICY DECLARATION

(a) This Act constitutes the commitment of Congress that, if Puerto Rico chooses statehood, subject to the provisions stated herein, Puerto Rico shall be declared to be a State of the United States of America, and shall be admitted into the Union on an equal footing with the other States, in all respects, so that the United States citizens residing in Puerto Rico shall have all rights, privileges, and duties enjoyed by the United States citizens in the several States.

SECTION 3: ADMISSION TO THE UNION AS A STATE

(a) In accordance with applicable laws of Puerto Rico, a political status plebiscite shall be conducted in conjunction with the local general election scheduled for November 2023.

(b) If such a vote, overseen by the United States Department of Justice, approves statehood by a majority of the votes cast, the results shall be certified, a declaration of a request of statehood shall be filed, the leaders of Puerto Rico shall two (2) Senators and one (1) Representative and send them to Washington, whereupon the President shall issue a declaration of statehood.

SECTION 4: APPLICABLE PROVISIONS TO THE STATE OF PUERTO RICO

(a) The State of Puerto Rico shall consist of all of the islands, together with their reefs, seafloor, and territorial waters, presently under the jurisdiction of the territory of Puerto Rico.

(b) The proposed state constitution, current laws, current government, and current obligations and liabilities, shall all continue in full force and effect following the date of admission of Puerto Rico as a State of the Union.

SECTION 5: REPEALS

(a) All Federal and territorial laws, rules, and regulations applicable to Puerto Rico that are incompatible with the political and legal status of statehood are repealed as of the date of statehood admission.