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A Bill to Ban Assault Weapons

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. Section 922 of Title 18, United States Code, is amended by adding the following:

It shall be a crime to knowingly import, sell, manufacture, transfer, or possess a semiautomatic weapons (SAW) or large capacity ammunition feeding device (LCAFD). The above shall not apply to any current or retired law enforcement officer, including sworn campus law enforcement.

SECTION 2. A semiautomatic assault weapon means any repeating weapon that utilizes a portion of the energy of a firing cartridge to extract the fired cartridge case and chamber the next round; and requires a separate pull of the trigger to fire each cartridge. A large capacity ammunition feeding device is any accessory which has a capacity of more than 10 rounds of ammunition without requiring manual reloading of the weapon. These definitions shall not apply to any firearm that is permanently inoperable or an antique.

SECTION 3. The Department of Justice shall be required to track, and publicly report, any crime involving a SAW, and shall indicate the make, model, and legal status of said SAW.

SECTION 4. This legislation shall take effect six months after passage.

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

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Abolish the Senate

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

RESOLVED, By two-thirds of the Congress here assembled, that the following article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states within seven years from the date of its submission by the Congress:

ARTICLE --

SECTION 1. All legislative Powers granted in the Constitution shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist solely of the House of Representatives.

SECTION 2. This article shall take effect beginning with the second Congressional term following its ratification.

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Lower the Voting Age

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

RESOLVED, By two-thirds of the Congress here assembled, that the following article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states within seven years from the date of its submission by the Congress:

ARTICLE --

SECTION 1. The right of citizens of the United States, who are fourteen 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 power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

A Bill to Curtail Military Aid in the Middle East

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. A. The Department of Defense shall immediately cease foreign military financing for countries of concern in the Middle East.

B. The International Military Education and Training program shall no longer admit enrollees from countries of concern in the Middle East.

SECTION 2. A. Foreign military financing is defined as any Congressional appropriation allocated to other countries for military purposes.

B. Countries of concern in the Middle East shall include the following: Israel, Egypt, and Jordan.

SECTION 3. The enforcement of this legislation shall be carried out by the Department of Defense and the Department of State.

SECTION 4. This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.

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

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Balance the Budget

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

RESOLVED, By two-thirds of the Congress here assembled, that the following article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states within seven years from the date of its submission by the Congress:

ARTICLE --

SECTION 1. Total outlays for any fiscal year shall not exceed total receipts for that fiscal year, unless three-fifths of the whole number of each House of Congress shall provide by law for a specific excess of outlays over receipts by a rollcall vote.

SECTION 2. The limit on the debt of the United States held by the public shall not be increased, unless three-fifths of the whole number of each House shall provide by law for such an increase by a rollcall vote.

SECTION 3. Prior to each fiscal year, the President shall transmit to the Congress a proposed budget for the United States Government for that fiscal year in which total outlays do not exceed total receipts.

SECTION 4. No bill to increase revenue shall become law unless approved by a majority of the whole number of each House by a rollcall vote.

SECTION 5. The Congress may waive the provisions of this article for any fiscal year in which a declaration of war is in effect. The provisions of this article may be waived for any fiscal year in which the United States is engaged in military conflict which causes an imminent and serious military threat to national security and is so declared by a joint resolution, adopted by a majority of the whole number of each House, which becomes law. Any such waiver must identify and be limited to the specific excess or increase for that fiscal year made necessary by the identified military conflict.

SECTION 6. The Congress shall enforce and implement this article by appropriate legislation, which may rely on estimates of outlays and receipts.

SECTION 7. Total receipts shall include all receipts of the United States Government except those derived from borrowing. Total outlays shall include all outlays of the United States Government except for those for repayment of debt principal.

SECTION 8. This article shall take effect beginning with the fifth fiscal year beginning after its ratification.

A Bill to Encourage Domestic Adoption

SECTION 1. A new federal tax credit shall be established in an effort to incentivize domestic adoptions. This new federal tax credit shall be known as the Domestic Adoption Tax Credit and will offer a maximum of \$20,000 for qualified adoption expenses for tax filings.

SECTION 2. Domestic adoption is the adoption of an eligible child who is a citizen or resident of the U.S. its territories, and/or the District of Columbia.

SECTION 3. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) shall oversee the implementation of this legislation.

SECTION 4. This legislation shall come into effect in fiscal year 2020.

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

A Resolution to Invalidate the Great Lakes Compact

WHEREAS, Local municipalities should not be restricted by federal legislation in how they utilize their natural resources; and

WHEREAS, In the face of anthropogenic climate change, states and municipalities across the U.S. will need to coordinate to ensure adequate water resources for all regions of the country; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Congress here assembled that the Great Lakes–St. Lawrence River Basin Water Resources Compact shall be repealed.

A Bill to Criminalize Fossil Fuel Extraction

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. A. Chapter 96 of Title 7, United States Code, is amended by adding § 6711 - Unlawful acts. This new section shall read: It shall be a crime for any person subject to the jurisdiction of the United States (1) to knowingly finance fossil fuel extraction within or outside the borders of the United States; (2) to engage in employed, volunteer, or contract work for the purpose of fossil fuel extraction and/or for the purpose of constructing machines or facilities for use in fossil fuel extraction; (3) to ship, transport, purchase, sell, offer for sale, import, export, or have in possession any fossil fuel in excess of an amount of 50 gallons, without a written waiver signed by the Secretary of Energy.

B. In addition, the new section shall read: Violations of (1) and (2) are punishable by a minimum of five years in prison, with additional prison time and financial penalties determined at sentencing based on the severity of the crime and the volume of fossil fuels involved. Violations of (3) are punishable by a minimum of two years in prison, and a minimum of five years in prison for any amount of fossil fuels in excess of 400 gallons.

SECTION 2. Fossil fuel means any hydrocarbon-based fuel, including oil, coal, and natural gas.

SECTION 3. \$35 billion shall be allocated to the Department of Justice, which shall establish a program providing financial support to state, local, and federal law enforcement agencies to enforce the criminal statutes established by this bill.

SECTION 4. This legislation shall take effect on January 1 of the sixth year after its passage.

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