## **A Bill to Prevent Anticompetitive Mergers**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

| 1  | SECTION 1. | A. The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) and the Department of Justice             |
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| 2  |            | (DOJ) shall be directed to reject and/or prohibit any proposed merger           |
| 3  |            | that either:  |
| 4  |            | (i) has a value over \$5 billion, or  |
| 5  |            | (ii) results in a market share for a single entity over 33%.                    |
| 6  |            | <b>B</b> . The FTC and the DOJ shall retroactively review every merger that has |
| 7  |            | occurred since 2000 and break up any company violating Section 1(A) of          |
| 8  |            | this legislation.   |
| 9  | SECTION 2. | A. Merger shall be defined as an agreement or acquisition uniting or            |
| 10 |            | combining two or more existing companies into one new company.                  |
| 11 |            | <b>B</b> . Market share shall be defined as the percentage of total sales in an |
| 12 |            | industry generated by a particular company.                                     |
| 13 |            | <b>C</b> . Break up shall be defined as the division of a company into separate |
| 14 |            | parts based on its constituent subsidiaries and previous mergers.               |
| 15 | SECTION 3. | The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) and the Department of Justice (DOJ)          |
| 16 |            | shall be responsible for implementing this legislation.                         |
| 17 | SECTION 4. | This legislation shall take effect starting on October 1, 2024.                 |
| 18 | SECTION 5. | All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.   |

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# The Agricultural Ultimatum for Reform Act (AURA) of 2024

#### BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

| 1  | SECTION 1. | The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) will divest pre-                 |
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| 2  |            | existing and future agricultural subsidies toward large agricultural                |
| 3  |            | corporations and commercial farms by 50% for each below stipulation                 |
| 4  |            | that goes unmet by the end of Fiscal Year 2024.                                     |
| 5  |            | A. Stipulation 1: The use of pesticide and other environmentally                    |
| 6  |            | damaging substances will be eradicated.   |
| 7  |            | <b>B</b> . Stipulation 2: Regenerative agriculture will replace current tilling and |
| 8  |            | plowing practices.  |
| 9  | SECTION 2. | Subsidies retain from above violations of stipulations shall be redirected          |
| 10 |            | towards small agricultural corporations and family farms.                           |
| 11 | SECTION 3. | A. Large agricultural corporations and commercial farms shall be defined            |
| 12 |            | as those operations with a gross annual income of at least \$350,000.               |
| 13 |            | <b>B.</b> Small agricultural corporations and family farms shall be defined as      |
| 14 |            | those operations with a gross annual income of less than \$350,000.                 |
| 15 | SECTION 3. | The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) will be tasked with              |
| 16 |            | the oversight and enforcement of this legislation.                                  |
| 17 | SECTION 4. | This legislation shall take effect at the end of the 2024 fiscal year on            |
| 18 |            | September 30, 2024.   |
| 19 | SECTION 5. | All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.       |

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### A Bill to Increase Accountability and Transparency in

### Regulatory Agency Rulemaking

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| 3  | BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT: |   |
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| 4  | SECTION 1.   | Any rule created by a regulatory agency shall be issued and signed by the head of           |
| 5  |  | said agency, and shall require the advice and consent of the Senate prior to                |
| 6  |  | implementation.   |
| 7  | SECTION 2.   | Before issuing any proposed, final, or interim rule, an agency shall conduct a              |
| 8  |  | regulatory impact analysis based upon the best, reasonably obtainable                       |
| 9  |  | information that outlines all of the following:   |
| 10 |  | A. Describes the need to be addressed and how the rule would address that                   |
| 11 |  | need, and;  |
| 12 |  | <b>B.</b> Analyzes the potential benefits and costs of the rule compared to the potential   |
| 13 |  | costs and benefits of potential policy alternatives, and;                                   |
| 14 |  | C. Considers the cumulative regulatory burden on the agency, and;                           |
| 15 |  | <b>D.</b> Characterizes any uncertainties in the benefits, costs, and net benefits of the   |
| 16 |  | proposed rule.  |
| 17 | SECTION 3.   | A. An agency will be defined as any independent governmental body established               |
| 18 |  | by legislative act to set standards in a specific field of activity and to enforce those    |
| 19 |  | standards.  |
| 20 |  | <b>B.</b> A rule will be defined as a part of an agency statement of applicability designed |
| 21 |  | to implement, interpret, or prescribe law or policy.  |
| 22 | SECTION 4.   | The Governmental Accountability Office will be tasked with the implementation               |
| 23 |  | and enforcement of this legislation.  |
| 24 | SECTION 5.   | This legislation shall take effect on January 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2024.                       |
| 25 | SECTION 6.   | All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.               |

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