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## A Bill to Repeal the Jones Act

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** The Merchant Marine Act of 1920, also known as the Jones Act, is  
3 hereby repealed. There shall no longer be any restrictions on vessels  
4 that transport goods between U.S. ports.

5 **SECTION 2.** This legislation shall be overseen by the Department of Commerce.

6 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2025.

7 **SECTION 4.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and  
8 void.

## A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Institute Approval Voting

**RESOLVED**

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 federal elections within the United States and its territories shall henceforth be conducted utilizing approval voting.

**SECTION 2.**

Ballots shall provide voters the opportunity to rate their approval of each candidate on a scale of -10 (absolute disapproval) to +10 (absolute approval). Voters may also abstain on rating any individual candidate. All ratings shall be added together, and the candidate with the highest overall approval score shall be declared the winner.

**SECTION 3.**

All other jurisdictions are encouraged to adopt approval voting as well.

**SECTION 4.**

The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

# A Bill to Abolish the Department of Education

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** The Department of Education is hereby abolished.

3 **SECTION 2.** All former duties of the Department of Education shall be either  
4 abandoned or reassigned to other agencies, at the discretion of the  
5 President of the United States.

6 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall take effect on July 1, 2025.

7 **SECTION 4.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and  
8 void.