



# **Raise Every Voice Invitational**

*2025 Congress Legislation*

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# A Bill to Abolish Non-Essential Non-Disclosure Agreements

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1   **SECTION 1.**   All private non-disclosure agreements (NDA) between employers and  
2                   employees, or between private entities and individuals, shall be prohibited  
3                   under federal law.
- 4   **SECTION 2.**   A Private Non-Disclosure Agreement is a confidential legal contract  
5                   between two or more parties to restrict the sharing of specific, non-public  
6                   information.  
7                   NDA's used to protect national security information, personal privacy data,  
8                   or legitimate trade secrets shall be exempt.
- 9   **SECTION 3.**   The Department of Labor (DOL) will oversee the enforcement of this  
10                  legislation.  
11                  Any company or individual found attempting to enforce or coerce an  
12                  individual into signing an unlawful NDA shall be subject to:  
13                  A. \$250,000 fine per violation.  
14                  B. Disqualification from federal contracts for repetitive offenders.
- 15  **SECTION 4.**   This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2026. All laws in conflict with  
16                  this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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# **A Bill to Mandate Compensation for Wrongfully Convicted Individuals**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1   **SECTION 1.**   Financial compensation and support services shall be mandated for  
2                   individuals whose felony convictions have been vacated or overturned.  
3                   Eligibility for compensation requires a minimum of 180 days of continuous  
4                   wrongful incarceration.
- 5   **SECTION 2.**   Compensation shall consist of a tax-exempt monetary payment of \$100,000  
6                   for each year of wrongful incarceration, with proportional adjustments for  
7                   partial years, and immediate access to support services including  
8                   educational assistance, job training, and mental health counseling.
- 9   **SECTION 3.**   The Department of Justice shall be responsible for implementing this  
10                  legislation. It shall oversee the establishment of an Office of Wrongful  
11                  Convictions Claims to certify innocence, deliver all mandated payments,  
12                  and ensure access to support services.
- 13 **SECTION 4.**   This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2027. All laws in conflict with  
                      this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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# A Bill to Federally Criminalize Gene-Editing From Conception Until Age of 18

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1           **SECTION 1.**   It shall be unlawful for any Healthcare Provider to perform,  
2           facilitate, or knowingly conspire to perform a Somatic Gene-Editing  
3           Procedure upon a person from conception up until the person turns 18  
4           years of age.

5           **SECTION 2.**   Somatic Gene-Editing Procedure shall be defined as any  
6           deliberate modification to a person's genome, specifically non-  
7           reproductive cell DNA, using technologies such as, but not limited to,  
8           CRISPR/Cas9, TALENs, ZFNs, or other methods designed to alter or replace  
9           DNA sequences within living cells.

10          **SECTION 3.**   This bill will be overseen by the Department of Health and  
11          Human Services (HHS) in conjunction with the Food and Drug  
12          Administration(FDA). Any Healthcare Provider found in violation of Section  
13          2 of this Act shall be guilty of a Class A Felony, subject to a fine not  
14          exceeding two million dollars (\$2,000,000 USD), and permanent revocation  
15          of all federal and state medical licenses.

**SECTION 4.**   This legislation will take effect on January 1st, 2027. All laws  
            in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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Part II (NSDA November  
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