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2026 CONGRESS SEMIFINAL LEGISLATION PACKET

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Precursor Chemical Trafficking Act

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The United States shall establish a Federal Precursor Chemical Monitoring System to prevent the diversion of chemicals used in the illicit manufacturing of controlled substances by

A. establishing a watchlist identifying chemicals determined to have a significant risk of diversion for illicit drug production;

B. mandating manufacturers, distributors, importers, and exporters of high-risk precursor chemicals to report suspicious transactions that indicate potential diversion; and

C. requiring the reporting and monitoring of international shipments of high-risk precursor chemicals entering or leaving the United States.

SECTION 2. A. “Precursor chemical” shall be defined as chemicals that may be used to produce or manufacture a controlled substance.

B. “High-risk precursor chemical” shall be defined as a precursor chemical designated by the Drug Enforcement Administration as presenting a significant risk of diversion for illicit drug production.

C. “Suspicious transaction” shall be defined as a transaction that demonstrates unusual circumstances that indicate a potential diversion for illicit drug production.

SECTION 3. The Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), in coordination with the U.S. Customs and Border Protection and the U.S. Department of State, shall oversee the enforcement of this legislation.

SECTION 4. This legislation will take effect on January 1st, 2029. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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A Resolution to Support a Federal Review Process to Strengthen the Security of the Panama Canal

WHEREAS, The United States has a vested interest in promoting the security of the Panama Canal as a critical trade route of both global and American commerce; and

WHEREAS, Global trade routes, supply chains, and investments are dependent on the security and stability of the Panama Canal; and

WHEREAS, Threats posed by foreign state-owned and controlled assets would risk interrupting global supply chains and threatening national security; and

WHEREAS, Potential risks may be mitigated by increased caution and screening of foreign state investment in Panamanian ports; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Congress here assembled ought to promote the security of the Panama Canal by coordinating with the Government of Panama, and engaging in intelligence sharing, to carry out a substantial federal review of foreign investments in the Panama Canal to identify possible threats.

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A Bill to Establish Electrical Energy Reserves

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The United States will establish electrical energy reserves from select electric companies for the purpose of guarding against sudden fuel shortages, natural disasters, and global price spikes.

SECTION 2. A. “Electrical energy reserves” refers to a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) powered reserve and shall be utilized in case of renewable energy emergencies, natural disasters, grid stabilization, and energy arbitrage.

B. All Investor-Owned Utilities (IOU) electric companies are required to retain 2% of their amassed energy per year and reserve it in a BESS to be reserved.

SECTION 3. The Department of Energy and its independent agency, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), shall oversee the enforcement of this legislation.

A. The FERC shall establish an evaluation framework to determine the extent of a given energy emergency.

B. The Department of Energy shall assess the effectiveness of the electric energy reserves and the usage of the energy after approval during any given energy emergency. An annual report will evaluate the budget and reallocate as necessary with approval of this Congress.

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

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A Bill to Establish Political Affiliation as a Protected Basis for Nondiscrimination

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. No employer shall discriminate against an employee or applicant based on their lawful political affiliations or political activities.

SECTION 2. A. “Political affiliation” shall be defined as an individual's affiliation with, support for, opposition to, or lack of affiliation with a political party, candidate, organization, or ideology.

B. “Employment action” shall be defined as any significant change in the terms or conditions of employment.

SECTION 3. The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) shall oversee the enforcement of this legislation.

SECTION 4. This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2028. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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