

2017 Legislative Docket

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Each session will have its own theme. Chambers may only debate on legislation designated for that session. A caucus will determine the order of debate within that session. Any student may speak to sponsor legislation, since bills were written by alumni. Sponsors will be selected on the basis of recency, become responsible for the mechanics of the legislation, and must yield to two minutes of questioning following the speech.

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A Bill to Increase Funding for Refugee Microfinance Programs

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** \$300 million in additional aid will be allocated to the United Nations
3 Refugee Agency and the United Nations Relief and Work Agency
4 microfinance programs to support the economic stabilization and
5 integration of Syrian Refugees in their regional host countries.

6 **SECTION 2.** A. “Regional host countries” will be defined as Jordan, Lebanon, and
7 Turkey.

8 B. “Microfinance Programs” will be defined as programs that extend
9 credit and complementary financial services to households,
10 entrepreneurs, and small-business owners.

11 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of State shall oversee the implementation
12 of this legislation.

13 **SECTION 4.** This law will take effect immediately upon passage.

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

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A Bill to Reprioritize Aid to Colombia

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** \$450 million will be allocated to funding Peace Colombia annually for the
3 next 10 years. The focus will be on humanitarian assistance.

4 **A.** \$200 million will be allocated to the Economic Support Funds (ESF).

5 **B.** \$25 million will be allocated to Nonproliferation, Antiterrorism,
6 Demining, and Related Programs (NADR).

7 **C.** \$125 million will be allocated to International Narcotics Control and
8 Law Enforcement (INCLE).

9 **D.** \$75 million will be allocated to the Defense Budget Counter-Drug
10 Programs.

11 **E.** \$25 million will be allocated to Foreign Military Financing (FMF).

12 **SECTION 2.** "Peace Colombia" will be defined as an increased aid package to
13 Colombia with the goal of helping the transition to peace and
14 implementing the peace accords.

15 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Department of State, United States Agency for International
16 Development, and the Department of Defense will jointly oversee the
17 enforcement and implementation of this legislation.

18 **SECTION 4.** This law will take effect immediately upon passage.

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

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A Bill to Advance the U.S. - India Partnership

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Under the joint jurisdiction of the Department of State and Department
3 of Defense, the Arms Export Control Act will be amended to extend
4 special foreign military sales status to India and institutionalize an annual
5 defense policy dialogue to coordinate with the Ministry of Defense for
6 the Government of India on

7 A. Combined military planning for missions such as disaster relief,
8 maritime domain awareness, and other missions deemed to be in the
9 national security interests of both countries

10 B. Defense procurement planning to include humanitarian assistance
11 and border maintenance and control

12 **SECTION 2.** “Special foreign military sales” status is a state classification of security
13 assistance authorized by the Arms Export Control Act (AECA).

14 A. The funding for provided weapons shall come from the India’s
15 national funds and shall be subsidized on a per purchase basis

16 B. India has become an instrumental partner in delivering humanitarian
17 and disaster relief in the Asia-Pacific region as the Indian Air Force has
18 used United States-origin C-130 and C-17 aircraft to evacuate Indian,
19 American, and third-country nationals and send relief supplies.

20 **SECTION 3.** The President shall include India on the list of countries eligible for the
21 strategic trade authorization exception under section 740.20(c) (1) of title
22 15, Code of Federal Regulations

23 A. If India utilizes US military hardware and software in a manner that is
24 not conducive to US strategic interests, subsidies provided shall be
25 voided and India shall be responsible for the full cost of its purchases.

26 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect in January 2018

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

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A Bill to Allow Mining for Economic Development

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The order of January 9, 2012, prohibiting new mining claims on selected
3 land is hereby rescinded.

4 **SECTION 2.** Public Law 59-209 shall not be considered to apply to any lands which
5 were protected by the 2012 order. Additionally, Public Law 101-426,
6 Section 5 (a), is hereby amended to read “shall receive \$10,000, if-.”

7 **SECTION 3.** The future disposition of the lands in question shall be as follows:

8 A. All land covered by the 2012 order which is held by the federal
9 government shall be placed under the authority and control of the
10 state in which borders the land resides.

11 B. If the land in question is held by a private party or is controlled by a
12 Native American Nation, the person or Nation shall be provided
13 compensation in the sum of \$1000 an acre for the rights to said land,
14 at which point it shall be placed under the authority and control of
15 the state as in Section 3A.

16 **SECTION 4.** The Department of the Interior shall be responsible for determining
17 which land is applicable to Sections 1 and 2, and shall provide
18 compensation for land as provided in Section 3. Compensation for land
19 shall be appropriated through the Department’s FY18 budget.

20 **SECTION 5.** This shall take effect upon passage.

21 **SECTION 6.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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A Bill to End the Used Nuclear Fuel Stalemate

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The Department of Energy is hereby instructed to complete and open
3 Yucca Mountain as the national geologic repository for spent nuclear fuel
4 as dictated in the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982. In parallel with the
5 efforts to open Yucca Mountain, the Department of Energy is instructed
6 to begin the licensing and construction of the Texas Waste Control
7 Specialist “WCS” site for the interim storage of spent nuclear fuel. This
8 legislation also authorizes all land, water, and transportation rights that
9 are required to open these facilities.

10 **SECTION 2.** Spent nuclear fuel is the left over control rods from the nation’s
11 commercial nuclear sector, and not the U.S. weapons complex.

12 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Energy in conjunction with the Nuclear Regulatory
13 Commission are responsible with implementing this legislation. The
14 Department of Transportation and in the Department of the Interior are
15 responsible for granting the land, water, and transportation rights.
16 A. This legislation requires that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission
17 licenses Yucca Mountain and the WCS site, if they meet requirements
18 terms of public safety and technical feasibility for 10,000 years.
19 B. The Treasury must allow the access to the Nuclear Waste Fund to
20 fund the opening of Yucca Mountain and the Waste Control Specialist
21 Site.

22 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go immediately into effect.

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

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A Bill to Implement a Carbon Emission Reduction Plan

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The Environment Protection Agency's "Clean Power Plan" is hereby
3 reviewed and removed. In lieu of this clean air initiative, there will be a
4 rising carbon tax that starts at \$40 per ton, and is returned to the Social
5 Security Administration to offset the inevitable budget shortfall.

6 **SECTION 2.** This carbon tax will be applicable to the following sectors: manufacturing,
7 energy production, mass transportation, agriculture and waste.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Environmental Protection Agency, the Social Security Administration,
9 the Department of the Treasury, and the Council on Environmental
10 Quality shall oversee the implementation of this legislation.

11 A. After ten years, the carbon tax rate will rise to \$45 pending
12 Congressional authorization.

13 B. Without Congressional reauthorization, this legislation will expire by
14 the year 2030.

15 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect January 1, 2019.

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

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A Bill to Establish a Public Health Insurance Option

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The Secretary of Health and Human Services shall establish, and offer
3 through the Exchanges, a public health insurance option.

4 **SECTION 2.** The public health insurance option shall be made available through the
5 Exchanges, and shall comply with all requirements established under the
6 Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act applicable to health plans
7 offered through the Exchanges, including requirements related to
8 benefits, benefit levels (bronze, silver, and gold plans), provider
9 networks, notices, consumer protections, and cost-sharing.

10 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Health and Human Services is responsible for
11 enforcing the provisions of this legislation.

12 A. The Secretary shall establish geographically adjusted premium rates
13 at a level sufficient to fully finance the costs of health benefits
14 provided, as well as administrative costs and an appropriate amount
15 for a contingency margin. Receipts and disbursements attributable to
16 the operation of the public health insurance option shall be
17 maintained in an account in the Treasury of the United States.

18 B. The Secretary shall establish payment rates for reimbursing health
19 care providers for providing the benefits covered by the public health
20 insurance system through a negotiated agreement with health care
21 providers, as well as the conditions of participation for health care
22 providers under the public health insurance option.

23 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall take effect on January 1, 2019.

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

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Drafters, as adapted from H.R.635, 115th Congress ([https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-
congress/house-bill/635](https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/635))*

A Bill to Require Paid Leave to Maintain the Health of the United States of America

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** A. All places of employment will annually provide full time employees 10
3 days of paid sick days commensurate with their annual salary. In addition
4 all places of employment will provide full time employees 30 consecutive
5 workdays of paid child rearing leave commensurate with their annual
6 salary. Part time employees will receive 50% of sick days and/or child
7 rearing leave as full time employees.

8 B. Documentation of illness must be provided within two weeks of
9 returning to work from the illness. Documentation of childbirth or
10 adoption must be provided to the employer within two weeks of the start
11 of child rearing leave.

12 **SECTION 2.** A. Annual salary shall be defined as the monetary compensation paid to
13 an employee for a full year of employment.

14 B. Full time employee is defined as an employee that averages 130 hours
15 or more in a month.

16 C. Documentation of illness must be provided from a state certified
17 medical professional. Birth certificate, adoption certificate and
18 document from a midwife, doctor, or hospital will be the forms of
19 documentation accepted for child rearing leave.

20 **SECTION 3.** This bill will be enforced by the U.S. Department of Labor

21 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect at the beginning of the 2019 fiscal year.

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

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The Student Equality Act of 2017

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, no school
3 shall deny a student access to a bathroom that corresponds to his or her
4 gender identity.

5 **SECTION 2.** A. Every school district shall adopt a plan that allows for a student to
6 access a bathroom and locker room, when necessary, in a manner
7 tailored to the needs of the school district. A school district may
8 alternatively provide sufficient access to unisex bathrooms in order to
9 comply with the provisions of this section.

10 B. For the purposes of this Act, the term “school” shall be defined as any
11 public elementary or secondary school.

12 **SECTION 3.** Within one year of the effective date of this law, the Department of
13 Education shall require all school districts to file a report demonstrating
14 compliance with this Act. Any school district that fails to report its
15 progress or, in the opinion of the Secretary of Education, has failed to
16 comply with this Act shall not receive any federal education funding
17 starting in the school year next preceding the report’s due date.

18 **SECTION 4.** This act shall go into effect immediately upon passage.

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

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A Bill to Eliminate Excessive Recidivist Penalties

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** A. The Armed Career Criminal Act, currently codified at 18 U.S.C. § 924(e),
3 is hereby repealed.

4 B. Sections 4B1.1 through 4B1.5 of the United States Sentencing
5 Guidelines—including, but not limited to, the “Career Offender”
6 guideline—are hereby deleted.

7 **SECTION 2.** Federal courts may still consider an offender’s criminal history in
8 determining an appropriate sentence. Federal courts may only use an
9 individual’s criminal history as a justification to impose a sentence above
10 the range identified by the United States Sentencing Guidelines where
11 the criminal history category assigned to the offender under the
12 Guidelines does not reflect the true seriousness of the offender’s criminal
13 history.

14 **SECTION 3.** The United States Sentencing Commission shall be responsible for
15 amending the United States Sentencing Guidelines in accordance with
16 this legislation.

17 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect immediately after passage. This
18 legislation shall apply retroactively. Offenders who seek to have their
19 sentences lowered as a result of this legislation must petition the
20 sentencing court for relief within five years of the passage of this
21 legislation.

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

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A Bill to Require Probable Cause to Search the Contents of Electronic Communications in Criminal Investigations

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Subsection “(d)” of Section 2703 of Title 18 of the United States Code is
3 hereby amended to read as follows: “A court order for disclosure under
4 subsection (b) or (c) may be issued by any court that is a court of
5 competent jurisdiction and shall issue only if there is probable cause to
6 search for and seize the contents of a wire or electronic communication,
7 or the records or other information sought. In the case of a State
8 governmental authority, such a court order shall not issue if prohibited by
9 the law of such State.”

10 **SECTION 2.** A. “Court of competent jurisdiction” is as defined in Subsection “(3)”
11 of Section 2711 of Title 18 of the United States Code.

12 B. “Probable cause” shall be defined as “a reasonable ground to
13 suspect that a person has committed or is committing a crime or that a
14 place contains specific items connected with a crime.”

15 C. “Electronic communication” shall be defined as in subsection
16 “(12)” of Section 2510 of Title 18 of the United States Code.

17 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice shall enforce the provisions of this bill.

18 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

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

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A Bill to Strip the Citizenship of Naturalized Citizens Upon a Felony Conviction or Guilty Plea

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** In exercising congressional power pursuant to U.S. Const. art. I, § 8, cl. 4,
3 any person naturalized in the United States who pleads guilty to, or is
4 convicted of, any felony shall, upon such plea or conviction, no longer be
5 a citizen of the United States.

6 **SECTION 2.** Upon a naturalized citizen's guilty plea to, or conviction of, a felony, the
7 judge presiding over that citizen's criminal proceeding shall detain the
8 citizen for the purpose of remanding that citizen into the custody of the
9 Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement of the Department of
10 Homeland Security for deportation proceedings.

11 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Homeland Security shall enforce the provisions of this
12 bill.

13 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

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

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A Bill to Close the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Section 1803 of Title 50 of the United States Code is hereby amended to
3 read as follows:

4 “(a) At the request of a federal law enforcement officer or an
5 attorney for the government, any magistrate judge identified in Federal
6 Rule of Criminal Procedure 41(b) shall have jurisdiction to hear
7 applications for and grant orders approving electronic surveillance
8 anywhere within the United States.

9 “(b) The court of appeals for the circuit in which such an
10 application is made shall have jurisdiction to review the denial of any
11 such application.”

12 **SECTION 2.** A. It is the intent of the Congress that any applications for electronic
13 surveillance that may have been previously submitted to the Foreign
14 Intelligence Surveillance Court be instead submitted to, and issued by,
15 judges in the manner prescribed by Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure
16 41(d) and 41(e).

17 B. As used in this bill, “electronic surveillance” is as defined in
18 subsection “(f)” of Section 1801 of Title 50 of the United States Code.

19 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice shall be responsible for enforcing this bill.

20 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall take effect on the ninetieth day following its passage,
21 except that, immediately upon this bill’s passage, no new applications for
22 approving electronic surveillance may be submitted to the Foreign
23 Intelligence Surveillance Court.

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

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A Bill to Make America's Defensive Agreements Great Again

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea is hereby ratified.

3 **SECTION 2.** A. All voluntary funding for United Nations Peacekeeping efforts is
4 terminated.

5 B. All funding currently earmarked for United Nations Peacekeeping
6 efforts shall be redistributed to the Department of Veteran Affairs as
7 discretionary medical care funding.

8 C. United States' direct financial contributions to the North Atlantic
9 Treaty Organization (NATO) shall be capped at 15 percent of the total
10 amount of NATO's Common Funded budgets.

11 D. The State Department shall, in writing, inform the Pan American Union
12 of the United States' intention to invoke Article 25 of the Inter-American
13 Treaty of Reciprocal Assistance and withdraw from the treaty in two
14 years.

15 E. The State Department shall, in writing, inform the Pan American Union
16 of the United States' intention to invoke Article 25 of the Inter-American
17 Treaty of Reciprocal Assistance and withdraw from the treaty in two
18 years.

19 **SECTION 3.** The Department of the Treasury in conjunction with the Department of
20 State shall be responsible for implementation.

21 **SECTION 4.** The bill shall come into effect on October 1st, 2017.

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

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A Resolution to Designate the IRGC on the Foreign Terrorist Organization List

- 1 **WHEREAS,** The Iranian Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei ordered a recent ballistic
2 missile test in an attempt to threaten U.S. interests in the region
- 3 **WHEREAS,** Iran’s Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) serves as an extension of Iranian
4 threats and exportation of terrorism
- 5 **WHEREAS,** The IRGC has destabilized Syria, Iraq, and Yemen through financial,
6 logistical, and military support of terrorist organizations
- 7 **RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled make the following recommendation
8 for the Secretary of State to designate Iran’s Revolutionary Guard Corps
9 as a Foreign Terrorist Organization (FTO) under Section 219 of the
10 Immigration and Nationality Act
- 11 **FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Congress imposes complete and extensive financial
12 sanctions on the IRGC and any organizations that support their efforts
13 either directly or indirectly.

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A Bill to Modernize the National Labor Relations Act

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Section 14 of the National Labor Relations Act (29 U.S.C. 164) is amended
3 by striking subsection (b). Section 10 of the National Labor Relations Act
4 (29 U.S.C. 160) is amended by adding at the end the following: “(n) A
5 person alleging an unfair labor practice by an employer in violation of
6 section 8(a)(3) may bring a civil action in the appropriate district court of
7 the United States against the employer for such violation.”

8 **SECTION 2.** A civil action of the type described in section 10(n) must be brought
9 within 180 days after the date of the violation. The court may grant any
10 relief appropriate under section 706(g) of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 or
11 section 1977A(b) of the Revised Statutes of the United States, including a
12 reasonable attorney’s fee (including expert witness fees).

13 **SECTION 3.** The National Labor Relations Board will be responsible for enforcing the
14 provisions of this legislation.

15 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall take effect six months after passage.

16 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
17 Nothing in this Act shall be construed to diminish or impair the rights of
18 an employee under any valid collective bargaining agreement.

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Priority Employee National Savings Investment Option Now ("PENSION") Act

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Every United States citizen 18 years of age or older shall have an account
3 created for the purposes of establishing retirement savings.

4 **SECTION 2.** A. For every person employed by a private-sector employer or public-sector
5 entity, a default contribution of 3% of annual salary shall be deposited into a
6 person's account on a schedule based on an individual's payroll periods.
7 B. A person may choose to increase or decrease the contribution rates, and such
8 a person may opt-out of contributing entirely. All contribution shall be deducted
9 from an employee's paycheck pre-tax and shall not be considered income for
10 the purpose of an individual's taxable income.

11 C. Any person who does not work in a setting that allows for payroll deduction
12 may otherwise contribute up to \$25,000 per year. Such contributions shall not
13 be treated as income for the purposes of an individual's taxable income.

14 D. The Department of the Treasury shall create a management system that
15 allows an individual to control the investment options of their account, allowing
16 for a range of investment options for which to invest a person's account. The
17 Department shall also set a default option of safe investments that will
18 automatically be considered the investment strategy of an account when an
19 alternative strategy is not selected

20 E. No state or local government may require a system of automatic savings
21 deductions comparable to this Act.

22 **SECTION 3.** The Department of the Treasury, in conjunction with the Department of Labor
23 and the Office of Personnel Management, shall be responsible for implementing
24 this legislation.

25 **SECTION 4.** This act shall go into effect one year from the date that this bill becomes law.

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

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The Human Genome Editing Act of 2017

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Human Genome editing in all instances (from laboratory research
3 through preclinical testing and clinical trials to clinical application) will be
4 subject to the following stipulations.

5 A. The use of genome editing as a laboratory tool in human somatic cells
6 and tissue samples will be pursuant to current regulatory practices.

7 B. The use of genome editing as a laboratory tool in human germline cell
8 samples will not be permitted in any instance.

9 C. The use of genome editing in somatic cells in human beings will not
10 be permitted for purposes of enhancement — changes that go
11 beyond mere restoration or protection of health.

12 D. The use of genome editing in somatic cells in human beings will only
13 be permitted in clinical trials or therapies for the purposes of
14 treatment and prevention of disease or disability.

15 E. The use of genome editing in germline cells in human beings will not
16 be permitted in any instance.

17 **SECTION 2.** All terms are defined according to Appendix E of the National Academy of
18 Sciences and National Academy of Medicine Consensus Report, *Human*
19 *Genome Editing: Science, Ethics, and Governance*.

20 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Health and Human Services will enforce this
21 legislation.

22 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect January 1st, 2018.

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

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