

purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 7073. An act to improve public-private partnerships and increase Federal research, development, and demonstration related to the evolution of next generation pipeline systems, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 7323. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to disapprove courses of education offered by a public institution of higher learning that does not charge the in-State tuition rate to a veteran using certain educational assistance under title 10 of such Code; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H.R. 7370. An act to amend the Geothermal Steam Act of 1970 to establish a deadline for processing applications related to geothermal leasing; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 7422. An act to amend the Geothermal Steam Act of 1970 to provide cost-recovery authority for the Department of the Interior; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 8057. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 9317 Bolsa Avenue in Westminster, California, as the "Little Saigon Vietnam War Veterans Memorial Post Office"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bills were read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 1103. An act to require the President to remove the extension of certain privileges, exemptions, and immunities to the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Offices if Hong Kong no longer enjoys a high degree of autonomy from the People's Republic of China, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2468. An act to require the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the State of Utah certain Federal land under the administrative jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management within the boundaries of Camp Williams, Utah, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2950. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, through the Coastal Program of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, to work with willing partners and provide support to efforts to assess, protect, restore, and enhance important coastal landscapes that provide fish and wildlife habitat on which certain Federal trust species depend, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4094. An act to amend the Central Utah Project Completion Act to authorize expenditures for the conduct of certain water conservation measures in the Great Salt Lake basin, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4596. An act to reauthorize the Bureau of Reclamation to provide cost-shared funding to implement the endangered and threatened fish recovery programs for the Upper Colorado and San Juan River Basins.

H.R. 5490. An act to amend the Coastal Barrier Resources Act to expand the John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-6001. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and

Regulations, Office of Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modernizing the Delivery of Housing Counseling Services" (RIN2502-AJ70) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 23, 2024; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6002. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards" (RIN2502-AJ58) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 23, 2024; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6003. A communication from the Board Members of the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's fiscal year 2024 Annual Report; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6004. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Rural Health Care Services Outreach, Rural Health Network Development, and Small Health Care Provider Quality Improvement Grant Programs Fiscal Years 2021–2022"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6005. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, Office of General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Administrator, Federal Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 23, 2024; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6006. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Employee Benefits Security Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Requirements Related to the Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act" (RIN1210-AC11) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 23, 2024; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6007. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program Report to Congress for Fiscal Year 2021"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6008. A communication from the Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the cost of response and recovery efforts for FEMA-3606-EM in the State of South Carolina having exceeded the \$5,000,000 limit for a single emergency declaration; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6009. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, three (3) reports relative to vacancies in the Department of Homeland Security, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 23, 2024; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6010. A communication from the Agency Representative, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rules Governing Motion to Amend

Practice and Procedures in Trial Proceedings under the America Invents Act before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board" (RIN0651-AD50) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 23, 2024; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6011. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Use of Campaign Funds for Candidate and Officeholder Security" (Notice 2024-22); to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-6012. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards" (RIN2700-AE77) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 23, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6013. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 12978 with respect to significant foreign narcotics traffickers centered in Colombia; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6014. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13413 with respect to the Democratic Republic of the Congo; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6015. A communication from the Chief Counsel, United States Mint, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Exchange of Coin" (31 CFR Part 100) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6016. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel, General Law, Ethics, and Regulation, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Under Secretary (Terrorism and Financial Intelligence), Department of the Treasury, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6017. A communication from the Counsel of Bank Activities, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Business Combinations under the Bank Merger Act" (RIN1557-AF24) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6018. A communication from the Secretary of the Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulation NMS: Minimum Pricing Increments, Access Fees, and Transparency of Better Priced Orders" (RIN3235-AN23) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6019. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Mitigating the Impact of Significant, Anomalous, and Highly Suspect Billing Activity on Medicare Shared Savings Program Financial Calculations in

Calendar Year 2023” (RIN0938-AV20) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6020. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Regulatory Hearing Before the Food and Drug Administration; General Provisions; Amendments” (RIN0910-AI97) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6021. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Chemical Data Reporting; Extension of the 2024 Submission Period” ((2070-AK33) (FRL No. 5982.2-01-OCSPP)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6022. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Air Plan Approval; North Carolina; Mecklenburg Emission Control Standards” (FRL No. 8980-02-R4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6023. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Chemical Data Reporting; Extension of the 2024 Submission Period” ((2040-AF92) (FRL No. 7218-01-OW)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6024. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Phasedown of Hydrofluorocarbons: Management of Certain Hydrofluorocarbons and Substitutes under the American Innovation and Manufacturing Act of 2020” ((2060-AV84) (FRL No. 10105-02-OAR)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6025. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources of the Gulf of Mexico and Atlantic Region; 2019-2020 Commercial Trip Limit Reduction for Spanish Mackerel in the Atlantic Southern Zone” (RIN0648-XS022) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6026. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; 2019 Commercial Accountability Measure and Closure for Gulf of Mexico Gray Triggerfish” (RIN0648-XS017) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6027. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law,

the report of a rule entitled “Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; 2019 Commercial and Recreational Accountability Measure and Closures for Gulf of Mexico Lane Snapper” (RIN0648-XS019) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6028. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fraser River Sockeye and Pink Salmon Fisheries; Inseason Orders” (RIN0648-XW014) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6029. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources of the Gulf of Mexico and Atlantic Region; 2019-2020 Commercial Closure for King Mackerel in the Gulf of Mexico Western Zone” (RIN0648-XS016) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6030. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries Off West Coast States; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; 2019-2020 Biennial Specifications and Management Measures; Inseason Adjustments; Correction” (RIN0648-BJ43) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6031. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources of the Gulf of Mexico and Atlantic Region; 2019-2020 Commercial Trip Limit Reduction for Spanish Mackerel in the Atlantic Southern Zone” (RIN0648-XS020) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6032. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Snapper-Groupers Fishery of the South Atlantic; 2019 Recreational Accountability Measure and Closure for the South Atlantic Deep-Water Complex” (RIN0648-XS018) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6033. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries Off West Coast States; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; 2019-2020 Biennial Specifications and Management Measures; Inseason Adjustments; Correction” (RIN0648-BJ43) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6034. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries Off West

Coast States; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; 2019 Tribal Fishery Allocations for Pacific Whiting; Reapportionment Between Tribal and Non-Tribal Sectors” (RIN0648-XW015) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6035. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; Greater Amberjack Emergency Management Measures” (RIN0648-BM73) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6036. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Snapper-Groupers Resources of the South Atlantic; Vermillion Snapper Trip Limit Reduction” (RIN0648-XS015) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6037. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; 2020 Commercial Longline Closure for South Atlantic Golden Tilefish” (RIN0648-XS024) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6038. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; Closure of the Regular B Days-at-Sea Program for the Remainder of Fishing Year 2019” (RIN0648-XX021) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6039. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Herring Fishery; Adjustment to the 2019 Specifications” (RIN0648-XX022) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6040. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Small-Mesh Multispecies Fishery; Inseason Adjustment to the Southern Red Hake Possession Limit” (RIN0648-XX039) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6041. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Summer Flounder Fishery; Quota Transfer From VA to NY” (RIN0648-XX036) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September

25, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6042. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone off Alaska; Inseason Adjustment to the 2020 Gulf of Alaska Pollock and Pacific Cod Total Allowable Catch Amounts” (RIN0648-XY058) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6043. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Catcher Vessels Less Than 60 Feet (18.3 Meters) Length Overall Using Hook-and-Line or Pot Gear in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area” (RIN0648-XY064) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6044. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone off Alaska; Re-allocation of Pollock in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands” (RIN0648-XY073) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6045. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone off Alaska; Chinook Salmon Prohibited Species Catch Limits in the Gulf of Alaska” (RIN0648-XY062) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6046. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Catcher Vessels Greater Than or Equal to 50 Feet Length Overall Using Hook-and-Line Gear in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska” (RIN0648-XY025) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6047. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone off Alaska; Pacific Ocean Perch in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area” (RIN0648-XY017) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6048. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone off Alaska; Re-allocation of Pacific Cod in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area” (RIN0648-XY061) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25,

2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6049. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone off Alaska; Rockfish Management in the Groundfish Fisheries of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands and the Gulf of Alaska” (RIN0648-BJ03) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6050. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone off Alaska; Pacific Cod in the Gulf of Alaska” (RIN0648-XY057) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6051. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “West Virginia: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revisions” (FRL No. 11702-03-R3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6052. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Air Plan Revisions; California; Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District” (FRL No. 11981-02-R9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6053. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Air Plan Approval; FL; Surface Coating of Miscellaneous Metal Parts and Products Amendments” (FRL No. 12121-02-R4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2024; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-177. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of New York, transmitted by the Secretary of the New York State Department of State, concerning the rescission of all previous requests by the New York State Legislature or either house thereof for a convention under Article V of the United States Constitution; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1460

Whereas, The New York State Legislature has made applications to the United States Congress to call one or more conventions to propose amendments concerning specific subjects to the United States Constitution, pursuant to Article V thereof; and

Whereas, the legislature finds that:

a. Since its ratification, the United States Constitution has only been amended 27 times; and

b. Despite continual debate, extreme political turmoil, shifting views, and uncountable

political, economic, and societal problems and events, our Nation has not had another Constitutional Convention since 1787; and

c. Article V of the United States constitution provides a vehicle for amending the constitution upon application by “two thirds” of the several States; and

d. Throughout its long and storied history, New York has made such applications; and

e. Scholars differ as to whether such applications ever expire, and if, regardless of scope set forth in the applications, any convention would be required to abide by such scope; and

f. Wealthy interest groups could exploit decisions made by our ancestors to contort their intent to amending the Constitution and removing or altering our rights; and

Whereas, the legislature declares that:

a. Although historical records maintained by the State of New York and the Library of Congress are incomplete and, in some instances, unclear as to the final disposition of joint resolutions previously passed by the New York State Legislature to initiate a call to Congress for a Constitutional Convention, it is reported that the New York State Legislature has passed several such calls for a Constitutional Convention since the 1780's. These calls include (1) Joint Resolution (1789) calling broadly for amendments to the Constitution to promote the common interests and secure the great and unalienable rights of mankind; (2) Joint Resolution (1931) calling for the repeal of the eighteenth amendment; and (3) Joint Resolution (1972) calling for the allowance of public funds for secular education; and

b. It is unclear as a matter of constitutional law whether these calls ever expire, and current generations may now be bound by decisions made in a different time and culture. The need to advance these various policy reforms should be debated anew, if necessary, and not bind future generations without any consideration; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, (if the Assembly concur), That the Legislature does hereby rescind, repeal, cancel, nullify, and supersede, any and all prior applications by the Legislature to the Congress of the United States of America to call a Constitutional Convention to propose amendments to the Constitution of the United States pursuant to the terms of Article V of the Constitution of the United States of America, regardless of when and regardless of whether such applications were for a more limited convention to propose one or more amendments regarding one or more specific subjects and purposes or for a general convention to propose an unlimited number of amendments upon an unlimited number of subjects, whether or not the calls are confirmed by the historical records maintained by the State or the Library of Congress; and be it further

Resolved, (if the Assembly concur), That the Secretary of State be, and hereby is, directed to send a duly certified copy of this resolution to the Senate of the United States and one to the House of Representatives in the Congress of the United States; and be it further

Resolved (if the Assembly concur), That the members of the Legislature of the State of New York request that this Joint Resolution be published in the Congressional Record and listed in the official tally of state legislative applications relating to calling for the United States Congress to call a convention to propose amendments to the United States Constitution.

POM-178. A petition from a citizen of the State of Texas relative to enactment of federal legislation prohibiting persons who are in the United States, in violation of the laws