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# S. J. RES. 189

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to protect  
United States citizenship.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 29, 2026

Mr. PAUL introduced the following joint resolution; which was read twice and  
referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United  
States to protect United States citizenship.

1       *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*  
2       *of the United States of America in Congress assembled (two-*  
3       *thirds of each House concurring therein),* That the fol-  
4       lowing article is proposed as an amendment to the Con-  
5       stitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all  
6       intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when  
7       ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several  
8       States within seven years after the date of its submission  
9       for ratification:

1 “ARTICLE —

2 “SECTION 1. For purposes of the 14th article of  
3 amendment to the Constitution of the United States, a  
4 person may be considered to be ‘subject to the jurisdiction  
5 of the United States’ only in accordance with section 2.

6 “SECTION 2. A person born in the United States may  
7 only be considered ‘subject to the jurisdiction of the  
8 United States’ if the person is born in the United States  
9 of parents, one of whom is—

10 “(1) a citizen or national of the United States;

11 “(2) an alien lawfully admitted for permanent  
12 residence in the United States whose residence is in  
13 the United States; or

14 “(3) an alien with lawful status under the im-  
15 migration laws performing active service in the  
16 Armed Forces.

17 “SECTION 3. Congress shall have the power to carry  
18 out this article through appropriate legislation.”.

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