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

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 23 (legislative day, JANUARY 3), 2013

Mr. VITTER (for himself and Mr. PAUL), introduced the following joint resolution; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United
States relating to 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 by the Congress:*

1 “ARTICLE —

2 “A person born in the United States shall not be a
3 citizen of the United States unless—

4 “(1) at the time of the person’s birth, one par-
5 ent of the person is—

6 “(A) a citizen of the United States;

7 “(B) an alien lawfully admitted for perma-
8 nent residence in the United States who resides
9 in the United States; or

10 “(C) an alien performing active service in
11 the Armed Forces of the United States; or

12 “(2) the person is naturalized in accordance
13 with the laws of the United States.”.

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