

speaker, clerk, and judiciary committee chairman of the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States, and copies to the members of the said Senate and House of Representatives from this state; also to transmit copies hereof to the presiding officers of each of the legislative houses in the several states, requesting their cooperation.

Section 3. This application shall be considered as covering the same subject matter as the applications from other states to Congress to call a convention to set a limit on the number of terms that a person may be elected to the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States and the Senate of the United States; and this application shall be aggregated with same for the purpose of attaining the two-thirds of states necessary to require Congress to call a limited convention on this subject, but shall not be aggregated with any other applications on any other subject.

Section 4. This application constitutes a continuing application in accordance with Article V of the Constitution of the United States of America until the legislatures of at least two-thirds of the several states have made applications on the same subject; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the secretary of the state.

POM-21. A petition from a citizen of the State of Texas relative to requesting enactment of federal legislation to require that formal documents to be signed by the President must be witnessed by, and be attested to by, a notary public and include an official notarial seal; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. TUBERVILLE (for himself and Mr. CORNYN):

S. 3008. A bill to prohibit the application of Shari'a in the United States where such application would violate constitutional rights, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. TUBERVILLE:

S. 3009. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to include advocacy for Sharia law to be a ground for inadmissibility and deportability, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CASSIDY (for himself, Mr. HICKENLOOPER, and Mr. REED):

S. 3010. A bill to amend the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act to improve provisions relating to dyslexia, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. HAWLEY:

S. 3011. A bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to exclude coverage of gender-transition procedures for minors and abortion under health plans offered through the American Health Benefits Exchanges, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. JOHNSON (for himself, Mr. BUDD, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. COTTON, Mr. RISCH, Mr. SULLIVAN, and Mr. YOUNG):

S. 3012. A bill to appropriate funds for pay and allowances of excepted Federal employees for periods of work performed during a lapse in appropriations, and for other purposes; read the first time.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. SCOTT of Florida (for himself and Mrs. BLACKBURN):

S. Res. 451. A resolution condemning attacks on Federal law enforcement in the State of Illinois; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Ms. ERNST, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. LANKFORD, Ms. WARREN, and Mr. LUJÁN):

S. Res. 452. A resolution designating the week beginning October 19, 2025, as "National Character Counts Week"; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself and Mr. VAN HOLLEN):

S. Res. 453. A resolution designating the week beginning September 7, 2025, as "National Direct Support Professionals Week"; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 88

At the request of Mr. SCOTT of Florida, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mrs. MOODY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 88, a bill to provide that Members of Congress may not receive pay after October 1 of any fiscal year in which Congress has not approved a concurrent resolution on the budget and passed the regular appropriations bills.

S. 184

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. WELCH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 184, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to define the term natural cheese.

S. 339

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the name of the Senator from Alabama (Mrs. BRITT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 339, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for Medicare coverage of multi-cancer early detection screening tests.

S. 1245

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. HICKENLOOPER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1245, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to expand health care and benefits from the Department of Veterans Affairs for military sexual trauma, and for other purposes.

S. 1532

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the names of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. COONS) and the Senator from West Virginia (Mrs. CAPITO) were added as cosponsors of S. 1532, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the railroad track maintenance credit.

S. 2392

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. WARNOCK) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2392, a bill to increase, effective as of December 1, 2025, the rates of com-

pensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, and for other purposes.

S. 2511

At the request of Mr. CASSIDY, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. SCOTT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2511, a bill to establish a post-secondary student data system.

S. 2546

At the request of Mr. COONS, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. HICKENLOOPER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2546, a bill to provide for an extension of the legislative authority of the National Emergency Medical Services Memorial Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs.

S. 2967

At the request of Mr. LEE, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CRUZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2967, a bill to address the management by certain Federal land management agencies over Federal land along the southern border and northern border, and for other purposes.

S. 2981

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Tennessee (Mrs. BLACKBURN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2981, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the provision of prosthetic and rehabilitative items and services by the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

S. 2997

At the request of Mr. MARKEY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2997, a bill to protect the independent judgment of health care professionals acting in the scope of their practice in overriding AI/CDSS outputs, and for other purposes.

S. 3001

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. CASSIDY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3001, a bill to appropriate funds for pay and allowances of excepted Federal employees, and for other purposes.

S. 3002

At the request of Mr. SULLIVAN, the name of the Senator from Montana (Mr. DAINES) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3002, a bill making continuing appropriations for military pay in the event of a Government shutdown.

S. RES. 442

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the names of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. YOUNG) and the Senator from Arizona (Mr. GALLEGOS) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 442, a resolution condemning Russian incursions into NATO territory and reaffirming Article 5 of the North Atlantic Treaty.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 451—CON-DEMNING ATTACKS ON FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS

Mr. SCOTT of Florida (for himself and Mrs. BLACKBURN) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. RES. 451

Whereas the Constitution of the United States establishes and assigns to the Federal Government the exclusive authority to regulate immigration and naturalization;

Whereas Immigration and Customs Enforcement (referred to in this preamble as “ICE”) is authorized under Federal law to execute the lawful deportation and removal of criminal aliens who have violated the immigration laws of the United States;

Whereas State and local policies that seek to nullify or obstruct Federal immigration enforcement violate the Constitution and the principles of federalism;

Whereas the situation in the State of Illinois, particularly in and around the city of Chicago, has deteriorated to a point where Federal facilities and personnel can no longer operate without significant protection and public safety has collapsed;

Whereas the city of Chicago has experienced catastrophic levels of violent crime, with 5,220 homicides between 2017 and 2024, an average of 652 per year, exceeding the annual combat deaths of United States forces in Iraq (435 per year from 2003 through 2010) and Afghanistan (141 per year from 2001 through 2014);

Whereas Chicago has become what can only be described as a combat zone, with certain police districts experiencing homicide rates exceeding 70 per 100,000 residents;

Whereas the Cook County State Attorney’s office implemented pro-criminal policies from 2017 through 2022 that have caused a dramatic increase in violent crime, including an increase in average annual homicides from 510 homicides from 2011 through 2016 to 652 homicides from 2017 through 2024, and an increase in reported rapes from an average of 1,486 per year from 2014 through 2016 to 1,804 per year from 2017 through 2022;

Whereas these prosecutorial policies included releasing violent criminals without appropriate bail and consequences, as well as undermining Illinois felony retail theft statutes by unilaterally raising the prosecution threshold from \$300 to \$1,000 in 2017, resulting in a dramatic increase in retail theft across the city;

Whereas such negligent criminal justice policies have created an environment in which violent criminals, including criminal aliens subject to deportation, operate with impunity;

Whereas Federal facilities in Illinois, including those directly supporting ICE, have come under coordinated assault by violent groups intent on obstructing Federal law enforcement activities;

Whereas these groups have sought to impede the deportation and removal of criminal aliens through violent demonstrations, intimidation, and sabotage of Federal operations;

Whereas these violent activities are increasing in frequency and intensity, threatening the safety of Federal law enforcement and personnel and compromising the integrity of Federal operations;

Whereas, while peaceful protest and political activism are protected rights under the

Constitution, such rights do not extend to violent assaults on Federal facilities, intimidation of Federal law enforcement, or sabotage of lawful operations;

Whereas acts of lawlessness and anarchy cannot be disguised as activism and political violence cannot be legitimized;

Whereas certain far-left State and local governments operate under a distorted understanding of federalism that runs only 1 way, demanding and expecting Federal funding and assistance while rejecting any reciprocal obligation to cooperate with Federal law enforcement agencies to ensure public safety and protect the lives of their residents;

Whereas the success of Federal law enforcement operations in Washington, D.C., which resulted in a nearly 60 percent reduction in homicides and a 17 percent decrease in violent crime following enhanced Federal enforcement beginning August 7, 2025, demonstrates that dramatic crime reduction is possible when there is political will to enforce the law;

Whereas the Mayor of Chicago has signed an executive order preventing city cooperation with Federal immigration authorities and has repeatedly affirmed the city’s intent to resist lawful ICE operations;

Whereas the National Fraternal Order of Police, the largest police union in the country, has condemned orders that prevent Chicago officers from assisting ICE when agents face violent resistance, endangering both Federal officers and the public;

Whereas the Governor of Illinois has demonized brave Federal law enforcement agents, including by publicly calling them “jackbooted thugs”;

Whereas ICE is facing a 500 percent increase in assaults while carrying out enforcement operations;

Whereas these activities are not occurring in isolation but are similar to ongoing efforts in multiple other States and cities around the country to disrupt the faithful enforcement of Federal law;

Whereas such obstruction threatens public safety, particularly in disadvantaged communities that bear the brunt of violent crime; and

Whereas the Federal Government has both the authority and the obligation to ensure that Federal law enforcement personnel can execute their lawfully assigned duties without violent interference and that the residents of Illinois, particularly those in the most vulnerable communities, are protected from rampant violent crime: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) condemns all attacks on Federal law enforcement in the State of Illinois;

(2) recognizes that the State government of Illinois and the city government of Chicago have failed in their fundamental obligation to protect their residents from violent crime;

(3) commends the brave men and women of Federal law enforcement and all support personnel for their heroic work during this public safety crisis in Illinois;

(4) condemns any and all efforts by State or local governments, or by organized groups to obstruct, impede, or interfere with the lawful execution of Federal immigration law enforcement operations;

(5) condemns the implementation of pro-criminal prosecutorial policies that have contributed to the dramatic increase in violent crime in Chicago;

(6) condemns the prioritization of politics over the safety and well-being of Illinois residents, particularly those in vulnerable communities;

(7) reaffirms the exclusive authority of the Federal Government to regulate immigration and to enforce immigration laws;

(8) recognizes that the Federal Government has a responsibility to protect all people of the United States from violent crime, particularly when State and local governments have abdicated this fundamental obligation through the implementation of failed criminal justice policies;

(9) supports all necessary measures to protect Federal law enforcement personnel and Federal facilities in Illinois from violent assault, intimidation, and obstruction;

(10) supports the prosecution, to the fullest extent of Federal law, of all individuals and groups who engage in violence, intimidation, or sabotage against Federal law enforcement; and

(11) encourages all State and local governments to support and protect our brave Federal law enforcement officers and support staff.

SENATE RESOLUTION 452—DESIGNATING THE WEEK BEGINNING OCTOBER 19, 2025, AS “NATIONAL CHARACTER COUNTS WEEK”

Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Ms. ERNST, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. LANKFORD, Ms. WARREN, and Mr. LUJÁN) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 452

Whereas the well-being of the United States requires that the young people of the United States become an involved, caring citizenry of good character;

Whereas the character education of children has become more urgent, as violence by and against youth increasingly threatens the physical and psychological well-being of the people of the United States;

Whereas, more than ever, children need strong and constructive guidance from their families and their communities, including from schools, youth organizations, religious institutions, and civic groups;

Whereas the character of a nation is only as strong as the character of its individual citizens;

Whereas the public good is advanced when young individuals are taught the importance of good character and the positive effects that good character can have in personal relationships, in school, and in the workplace;

Whereas scholars and educators agree that individuals do not automatically develop good character and that, therefore, institutions and individuals that influence youth must make conscientious efforts to help young individuals develop the essential traits and characteristics that comprise good character;

Whereas, although character development is, first and foremost, an obligation of families, the efforts of faith communities, schools, and youth, civic, and human service organizations also play an important role in fostering and promoting good character;

Whereas Congress encourages students, teachers, parents, youth, and community leaders to recognize the importance of character education in preparing young individuals to play a role in determining the future of the United States;

Whereas effective character education is based on core ethical values, which form the foundation of a democratic society;

Whereas examples of character are trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, citizenship, and honesty;