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TITLE I – DEFEND THE REFEREES

SECTION 101 – INSPECTORS GENERAL INDEPENDENCE ACT (*Sen. Duckworth*)

Bars Presidents from nominating their own political appointees as Inspectors General to help keep these watchdogs independent and free from conflicts of interest that would compromise the integrity of their investigations, audits, and oversight of the Administration.

TITLE II – PROTECT THE INDEPENDENT, NON-PARTISAN CIVIL SERVICE

SECTION 201 – REDUCTION IN FORCE REVIEW ACT (*Sen. Merkley*)

Classifies any federal agency's decision to reduce its workforce—such as layoffs, office closures, or reorganizations—as a “rule” subject to formal congressional review. Agencies would submit a detailed justification to Congress, including the reasons for the decision, its anticipated impact on employees (especially veterans), alternatives considered, and summaries of consultations with affected staff and their representatives.

SECTION 202 – AGENCY REORGANIZATION

Requires any restructuring changes to a federal agency, including changing an agency's purpose, shuttering it altogether, or merging federal agencies, be subject to express consent from Congress.

TITLE III – CELEBRATE ONE NATION, INDIVISIBLE

SECTION 301 – ICE OUT OF OUR FACES ACT (*Sens. Markey and Merkley*)

Bans both Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and Customs and Border Protection (CBP) from using biometric surveillance technologies—such as facial recognition, palm print, or gait analysis—against individuals within the U.S. or at the border unless it's narrowly authorized by a judicial warrant. It also requires the deletion of all data collected for use in or by biometric identification systems and allow individuals and state attorneys general to seek civil penalties for violations.

SECTION 302 – ICE AND CBP CONSTITUTIONAL ACCOUNTABILITY ACT (*Sen. Merkley*)

Creates a civil cause of action allowing anyone within U.S. jurisdiction—including noncitizens—to sue ICE or CBP officers who violate their constitutional rights, such as by conducting warrantless searches, racial profiling, or infringing on due process. By waiving sovereign immunity and amending the Federal Tort Claims Act, it permits individuals to seek compensatory and punitive

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damages directly in court without first going through administrative claims.

SECTION 303 – PROHIBIT RACIAL PROFILING

Ensures that no law enforcement agent or law enforcement agency engages in racial profiling.

TITLE IV – REAFFIRM EQUAL JUSTICE UNDER LAW

SUBTITLE A, SECTIONS 401-486 – CHILDREN’S SAFE WELCOME ACT (*Sen. Merkley*)

Ensures that noncitizen children in federal immigration custody are protected by strong child welfare standards, prohibiting family separation, eliminating family detention centers, and setting clear requirements for health, safety, and placement in least-restrictive, family-like environments. It also mandates prompt legal representation, the swift release of children—especially those with disabilities—and enhances oversight through an ombudsperson and guarantees future access and transparency through stricter monitoring and data reporting provisions.

SUBTITLE B, SECTIONS 491-499 – REAL COURTS, RULE OF LAW ACT (*Sen. Gillibrand*)

Transitions the nation’s immigration court system into an independent judiciary. Currently, immigration judges are appointed by the Attorney General. As employees of the Department of Justice, immigration judges may be directed to adjudicate cases based on the policies and priorities of the governing administration.

TITLE V – STRENGTHEN FREE SPEECH

SECTIONS 501 – BROADCAST FREEDOM AND INDEPENDENCE ACT (*Sen. Luján*)

Prohibits the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) from revoking broadcast licenses or taking action against broadcasters based on the viewpoints they broadcast. It also reaffirms the importance of the independence of the FCC, including that the President should not mandate the FCC’s agenda.

TITLE VI – REASSERT CONGRESS’S POWER OF THE PURSE

SECTION 601 – PROHIBITION ON RESCISSIONS

Prohibits appropriated funds from being rescinded except through an appropriation Act.

SECTION 602 – EAST WING MODERNIZATION PROJECT

Prohibits federal funds and private donations from being used for the East Wing Modernization Project, absent express authorization from Congress.

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TITLE VII – FIGHT GOVERNMENT CORRUPTION

SECTION 701 – BRIBERY, GRAFT AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Ensures that the President, Vice President, President-elect, and Vice President-elect are covered by Chapter 11 of title 18, bribery, graft, and conflict of interest statutes.

SECTION 702 – ETHICS AND CONDUCT FOR THE PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

Prohibits the President and Vice President from accepting any direct or indirect remuneration nor emolument of any value from an entity, foreign or domestic, where the official has substantial influence or control. Limits use of image, likeness, or name of any sitting President or Vice President on federal buildings or passports.

SECTION 703 – BRINGING EXECUTIVE ACCOUNTABILITY, CLARITY, AND OVERSIGHT NOW (BEACON) ACT (Sen. Schiff)

Establishes an Office of the Inspector General (OIG) in the Executive Office of the President (EOP). Requires the same presidential appointment process as other inspectors general, with additional protections to ensure independence from the President. It also directs the Council of Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency (CIGIE) to annually audit the EOP OIG to ensure political pressure does not weaken the inspector general's ability to effectively conduct oversight of the President and the Executive Office of the President.

SECTION 704 - TRANSPARENCY IN THE ADMINISTRATION'S BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES OVERSEAS (TABOO) ACT (Sen. Merkley)

Ensures all individuals representing the United States government in negotiations with foreign governments and international multilateral organizations, whether they are a regular employee or volunteer, have no financial conflicts of interest in the country they are engaging with and follow financial reporting and ethics requirements. It also requires them to certify they have no financial interests with the countries they will be engaging with on behalf of the United States government within 30 days of starting the position.

SECTION 705 – END PREDICTION MARKET CORRUPTION ACT (Sen. Merkley)

Prohibits the President, Vice President, and members of Congress from trading event contracts and bars senior executive branch officials from trading in markets tied to matters in which they're involved.

SECTION 706 – END CRYPTO CORRUPTION ACT (Sen. Merkley)

Bans the President, Vice President, Senior Executive Branch Officials, Members of Congress, and their immediate families from financially benefiting from issuing, endorsing, or sponsoring crypto assets, such as meme coins and stablecoins.

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SECTION 707 – STOP CORRUPT GRATUITIES ACT (*Sen. Merkley*)

Clarifies that gratuities and other gifts of value outside of official duties are criminal acts under federal law. It also strengthens public trust in state and local government officials by clearly banning corrupt payments, veiled gifts, or the exchange of any valuables intended to influence decision-makers.

SECTION 708 - CHANGE CORRUPTION ACT (*Sen. Merkley*)

Prohibits use of any living or sitting President's or Vice President's likeness on U.S. coins and currency, prohibits the signature of any living former or sitting President or Vice President on U.S. currency or security, and creates a requirement for the Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee to review and approve any design before minting any U.S. coin.

SECTION 709 – STOP CORRUPT BETS ACT (*Sen. Merkley*)

Prohibits the listing of event contracts tied to elections, government actions across all branches, unless there's a commercial hedging need, sports, and U.S. or foreign military actions. It also clarifies that the Commodity Futures Trading Commission must enforce and prevent any market that doesn't have a commercial hedging value to prevent federal gambling.

SECTION 710 – PROHIBIT PARTISAN PARK PASSES ACT (*Sen. Merkley*)

Prohibits the National Park Service from issuing America the Beautiful Passes – physical or digital – with the image or likeness of any living political figures.

SECTION 711 – PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS BY GSA

Prohibits the General Services Administration from buying, selling, leasing or transacting if the Administrator determines the transaction violates Federal ethics requirements.

TITLE VIII – ENSURE LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL

SECTION 801 – DOJ DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENT

Requires that the Executive Office of the White House report all correspondence to the Department of Justice regarding past, current, or future court cases.

SECTION 802 – PROHIBITION ON PAYMENTS FROM JUDGMENT FUND WITHOUT CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL

No payment may be made from the Anti-Weaponization Fund.

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TITLE IX – PREVENT AUTHORITARIAN POLICING TACTICS ON AMERICA’S STREETS

SECTION 901 – PREVENTING AUTHORITARIAN POLICING TACTICS ON AMERICA’S STREETS ACT (*Sen. Merkley*)

Requires federal officers to clearly display identifying information, including agency and name or identification number, and prevents the use of unmarked vehicles in arrests.

SECTION 902 – INSURRECTION ACT OF 2025 (*Sen. Blumenthal*)

Narrows the criteria for the domestic deployment of military troops for law enforcement purposes, specifies that the use of the military is a last resort and is authorized only if the use of civil law enforcement authorities would be insufficient, clarifies that the law cannot be used to suspend habeas corpus, impose martial law, or deputize private militias to act as soldiers. It also requires the President to consult with Congress prior to invoking the Insurrection Act.

TITLE X – SAFEGUARD FREE AND FAIR ELECTIONS

SUBTITLE A, SECTION 1011-1016 – FRAUDULENT ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE REGULATIONS (FAIR) ELECTIONS ACT (*Sen. Merkley*)

Combats AI-driven election interference by banning knowingly distributing false or AI-generated content aimed at suppressing votes—such as deepfakes, misinformation about voting logistics, or deceptive depictions of election officials. It also allows voters to fight back against wrongful removals from voter rolls if they are erroneously removed due to the federal government’s actions.

SUBTITLE B, SECTION 1021 – ELECTION INTERFERENCE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT AT POLLS

Strengthens existing federal law to ensure the President is unable to deploy military personnel or federal agents—such as ICE, FBI, or active-duty troops to polling places, prevent intimidation leading to voter suppression, and election interference. Provides a private right of action for violations. Prohibits seizing of ballots by the federal government until an election has been certified.