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CitizenHelton United Governance Accountability Act of 2025

To promote fiscal responsibility, reduce partisan gridlock, and strengthen government efficiency.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES / SENATE

[Date of Introduction]

Mr./Ms. [Sponsor] (for himself/herself and others) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____.

A BILL

To promote fiscal responsibility, reduce partisan gridlock, and strengthen government efficiency.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “CitizenHelton United Governance Accountability Act of 2025”.

SECTION 2. FINDINGS.

Congress finds that partisan gridlock, debt-ceiling brinkmanship, and inefficient operations cost the American people hundreds of billions annually in economic damage and lost opportunity.

SECTION 3. NATIONAL COMPROMISE COMMISSION.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established an independent National Compromise Commission consisting of 20 members—10 appointed by Republican congressional leadership and 10 by Democratic congressional leadership.

(b) DUTIES.—Whenever Congress fails to enact annual appropriations or raise the statutory debt limit by the required dates, the Commission shall develop consensus legislative recommendations that receive guaranteed up-or-down votes in each chamber within 30 legislative days.

SECTION 4. AUTOMATIC CONTINUING RESOLUTION AND DEBT-LIMIT SUSPENSION.

- (a) If appropriations lapse, funding shall continue at the prior fiscal year level minus a 1-percent across-the-board reduction until regular appropriations are enacted.
- (b) The statutory debt limit shall be automatically suspended during any funding lapse.

SECTION 5. PAYROLL TAX CAP REFORM.

Section 3101(a) and section 3111(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 are amended by striking “on wages above the contribution and benefit base” for earnings above \$400,000 beginning in taxable year 2027, with a minimum benefit floor adjustment to protect low- and middle-income workers.

SECTION 6. WAR POWERS AND SPEECH PROTECTION.

- (a) The War Powers Resolution (50 U.S.C. 1541 et seq.) is amended to require explicit congressional authorization for any introduction of United States Armed Forces into hostilities exceeding 60 days.
- (b) No federal funds may be used to coerce or compel content moderation on interactive computer services.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Act shall take effect on the date of enactment, with payroll tax provisions applicable to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2026.

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CitizenHelton United Working Families Empowerment Act of 2025

To provide comprehensive paid family leave, childcare support, and wage enhancements for working families.

A BILL

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Be it enacted...

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “CitizenHelton United Working Families Empowerment Act of 2025”.

SECTION 2. PAID FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE BENEFIT.

Title XXII of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1397 et seq.) is amended by adding a new program providing up to 52 weeks of wage replacement per child (100 % of wages for weeks 1–12, 80 % for weeks 13–26, 60 % for weeks 27–52), funded by a new 0.4 percent payroll contribution (0.2 percent employee, 0.2 percent employer).

SECTION 3. CHILDCARE TAX CREDIT EXPANSION.

Section 21 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended to make the credit fully refundable and increase the maximum to \$5,000 per qualifying child under age 13.

SECTION 4. MINIMUM WAGE AND OVERTIME REFORM.

(a) Section 6(a)(1) of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 (29 U.S.C. 206(a)(1)) is amended to increase the federal minimum wage to \$15.00 per hour, phased in over four years beginning January 1, 2027.

(b) Overtime after 30 hours is required for employees earning \$45,000 or less annually.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Paid leave shall phase in: 26 weeks in FY 2027, 39 weeks in FY 2028, and 52 weeks in FY 2029 and thereafter.

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CitizenHelton United Education Empowerment Act of 2025

To invest in educator compensation, student opportunity, and long-term workforce development.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES / SENATE

[Date of Introduction]

A BILL

To invest in educator compensation, student opportunity, and long-term workforce development.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “CitizenHelton United Education Empowerment Act of 2025”.

SECTION 2. FINDINGS.

Congress finds that competitive teacher pay, expanded scholarships, and loan forgiveness in high-need fields are essential to improving educational outcomes and reducing long-term turnover costs.

SECTION 3. TEACHER COMPENSATION AND RETENTION GRANTS.

(a) There is authorized to be appropriated \$10,000,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2027 through 2031 to the Department of Education for competitive grants to States and local educational agencies.

(b) Grants shall be used to provide salary increases of 10 to 20 percent for teachers in high-need subjects and schools, and to provide annual \$1,000 technology stipends.

SECTION 4. STEM AND TRADE SCHOLARSHIPS AND PARTNERSHIPS.

There is authorized to be appropriated \$5,000,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2027 through 2031 for scholarships and industry partnership slots in science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and skilled trades.

SECTION 5. STUDENT LOAN FORGIVENESS EXPANSION.

Section 455(m) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1087e(m)) is amended to provide up to \$10,000 per year (not to exceed \$50,000 total) in forgiveness for service in high-need fields or underserved areas.

SECTION 6. OFFSET.

Amounts authorized under this Act shall be offset by reductions in Department of Education administrative accounts identified as duplicative or lower-priority by the most recent Government Accountability Office reports.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Act shall take effect in fiscal year 2027.

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CitizenHelton United Immigration Security and Pathways Act of 2025

To secure America's borders while providing legal immigration pathways and workforce integration.

A BILL

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Be it enacted...

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "CitizenHelton United Immigration Security and Pathways Act of 2025".

SECTION 2. BORDER SECURITY INVESTMENT.

There is appropriated \$10,000,000,000 for fiscal year 2027 for physical barriers, advanced technology, and the hiring and training of 5,000 additional Border Patrol agents and support personnel.

SECTION 3. NATIONWIDE E-VERIFY MANDATE AND ENFORCEMENT.

(a) Section 274A of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1324a) is amended to make E-Verify mandatory for all employers, with civil penalties beginning at \$5,000 for first violations and escalating for repeat offenses.

(b) Employers with two or more violations shall be permanently lose access to future work-visa programs.

SECTION 4. LEGAL PATHWAYS AND FEES.

A new temporary work-visa category is established with an application fee of \$6,000 per visa. Dreamers and TPS holders who meet background and integration requirements shall be eligible for permanent residency.

SECTION 5. STATE AND LOCAL COOPERATION INCENTIVES.

Five to ten percent of certain discretionary Department of Homeland Security and Justice grants shall be conditioned on State and local cooperation with federal immigration enforcement.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Act shall take effect 180 days after enactment.

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CitizenHelton United Foreign Policy Reform Act of 2025

To prioritize American interests and ensure allied burden-sharing in foreign assistance.

A BILL

To prioritize American interests and ensure allied burden-sharing in foreign assistance.

Be it enacted...

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “CitizenHelton United Foreign Policy Reform Act of 2025”

SECTION 2. CONVERSION OF FOREIGN AID TO LOANS.

Fifty percent of non-humanitarian foreign assistance shall be provided as low- or zero-interest loans with repayment schedules tied to measurable U.S. job creation or strategic benefit.

SECTION 3. BURDEN-SHARING REQUIREMENTS.

Foreign military financing and economic support funds to NATO allies and other strategic partners shall be conditioned on those nations meeting or exceeding their agreed defense-spending targets.

SECTION 4. ANNUAL REPORT. REPORT.

The Secretary of State shall submit an annual report to Congress detailing loan repayments received and compliance with burden-sharing requirements.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Act shall take effect in fiscal year 2027.

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CitizenHelton United Healthcare Reform Act of 2025

To lower prescription drug costs and reduce waste in federal health programs.

A BILL

To lower prescription drug costs and reduce waste in federal health programs.

Be it enacted...

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “CitizenHelton United Healthcare Reform Act of 2025”.

SECTION 2. MEDICARE DRUG PRICE NEGOTIATION EXPANSION.

Section 1192 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1320f–1) is amended to remove numerical limits and allow negotiation for all high-cost Part B and Part D drugs.

SECTION 3. INTERNATIONAL PRICE BENCHMARKING.

Medicare payments for covered Part B and Part D drugs shall not exceed 120 percent of the volume-weighted average price in OECD countries with per-capita GDP greater than 75 percent of the United States.

SECTION 4. FRAUD DETECTION AND PREVENTION.

There is appropriated \$2,000,000,000 for fiscal years 2027 through 2031 to deploy artificial intelligence and advanced analytics for real-time fraud detection across Medicare, Medicaid, and other federal health programs.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Negotiation and benchmarking provisions shall apply to plan years beginning after December 31, 2026.

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CitizenHelton United Fairness in Sports and Programs Act of 2025

To ensure fairness, safety, and privacy in federally funded athletic programs and facilities.

A BILL

To ensure fairness, safety, and privacy in federally funded athletic programs and facilities.

Be it enacted...

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “CitizenHelton United Fairness in Sports and Programs Act of 2025”.

SECTION 2. FINDINGS.

Congress finds that biological sex is a meaningful category in certain competitive sports and single-sex facilities for reasons of fairness, safety, and privacy, while personal gender identity remains protected.

SECTION 3. BIOLOGICAL SEX-BASED CATEGORIES.

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(c) Athletic programs and facilities receiving Federal financial assistance shall provide categories based on biological sex as determined at birth. Separate women’s categories shall be designated for biological females only. Co-ed or open categories may be offered in addition.”

SECTION 4. PROTECTION OF PRIVATE SELF-IDENTIFICATION.

Nothing in this Act shall be construed to restrict personal gender identity or expression outside of athletic and facility contexts.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Act shall take effect in academic year 2027–2028.

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CitizenHelton United Environmental Stewardship Act of 2025

To accelerate clean energy deployment and conservation through permitting reform and targeted incentives.

A BILL

To accelerate clean energy deployment and conservation through permitting reform and targeted incentives.

Be it enacted...

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “CitizenHelton United Environmental Stewardship Act of 2025”.

SECTION 2. PERMITTING REFORM FOR CLEAN-ENERGY PROJECTS.

Section 102 of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4332) is amended to require completion of environmental impact statements for clean-energy, transmission, and conservation projects within 2 years, with an average 50 percent reduction in current review times.

SECTION 3. STATE-LED POLLUTION AND CONSERVATION GRANTS.

There is authorized to be appropriated \$10,000,000,000 annually for fiscal years 2027 through 2031 for competitive grants to States for pollution reduction, land conservation, and resilience projects.

SECTION 4. RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES.

There is authorized to be appropriated \$5,000,000,000 annually for fiscal years 2027 through 2031 for research in renewables, carbon capture, and next-generation nuclear technologies.

SECTION 5. OFFSET.

Amounts authorized shall be offset by reductions in lower-priority Environmental Protection Agency administrative and regulatory programs identified by the most recent Government Accountability Office duplication reports.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Act shall take effect in fiscal year 2027.

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CitizenHelton United Infrastructure Modernization Act of 2025

To rebuild American infrastructure through targeted reallocations and efficiency measures.

A BILL

To rebuild American infrastructure through targeted reallocations and efficiency measures.

Be it enacted...

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “CitizenHelton United Infrastructure Modernization Act of 2025”.

SECTION 2. REALLOCATIONS FOR PRIORITY PROJECTS.

There is reallocated from unobligated balances and lower-priority programs:

- (1) \$3,500,000,000 annually for rural broadband deployment,
- (2) \$7,500,000,000 annually for electric-grid hardening and resilience,
- (3) \$1,000,000,000 annually for critical mineral and supply-chain security,
- (4) \$6,000,000,000 annually for domestic energy production and transmission.

SECTION 3. ANTITRUST ENFORCEMENT AND COST REDUCTION.

There is authorized \$500,000,000 annually for increased antitrust enforcement and tax credits for domestic suppliers of construction materials.

SECTION 4. PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP PRIORITY.

Federal agencies shall give priority in grant scoring to projects leveraging significant private investment.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Act shall take effect in fiscal year 2027.

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CitizenHelton United Mixed-Income Housing Stability Act of 2025

To increase housing supply and affordability through mixed-income development incentives and gentle federal preemption.

A BILL

To increase housing supply and affordability through mixed-income development incentives and gentle federal preemption.

Be it enacted...

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “CitizenHelton United Mixed-Income Housing Stability Act of 2025”.

SECTION 2. FEDERAL INCENTIVE PACKAGE FOR PARTICIPATING JURISDICTIONS.

States and localities that adopt the standards in section 3 shall receive:

- (a) priority scoring and bonus points in all competitive HUD grants,
- (b) a 20-percent increase in Low-Income Housing Tax Credit ceiling allocation,
- (c) expedited federal permitting for compliant projects,
- (d) access to a new \$10,000,000,000 annual Housing Stability Fund.

SECTION 3. MIXED-INCOME DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS.

For developments on parcels of 5 acres or larger or receiving any federal funds:

- (1) at least 40 percent of units must be multi-family,
- (2) income mix shall be no more than 40 percent low-income (<80% AMI), at least 40 percent moderate-income (80–150% AMI), and at least 20 percent high-income (150%+ AMI, market rate),
- (3) compliant projects shall receive by-right approval with no discretionary delays.

SECTION 4. GENTLE PREEMPTION AND OFFICE CONVERSION FUND.

Localities that systematically block compliant projects shall lose eligibility for discretionary HUD grants. There is authorized \$5,000,000,000 annually for office-to-residential conversion grants under the same mixed-income standards.

SECTION 5. TAX INCENTIVES.

Developers of compliant projects shall receive a 25-percent investment tax credit, and high-income buyers/renters in such projects shall receive a \$15,000 one-time credit.

SECTION 6. OFFSET.

All new spending authorized under this Act shall be fully offset by reductions in existing HUD programs identified as duplicative or lower-priority by the Government Accountability Office.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Act shall take effect in fiscal year 2027, with HUD implementing regulations issued within 180 days of enactment.