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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 19, 2022

Mr. ARRINGTON (for himself, Ms. HERRELL, and Mr. FITZPATRICK) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. DUTIES OF ARCHIVIST RELATING TO STATE AP-**
4 **PLICATIONS FOR CALLING FOR CONVEN-**
5 **TIONS OF STATES FOR PROPOSING CON-**
6 **STITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.**

7 (a) DUTIES DESCRIBED.—Title 1, United States
8 Code, is amended by inserting after section 106b the fol-
9 lowing new section:

10 **“§ 106c. Duties relating to State applications calling**
11 **for Article V Conventions**

12 “(a) APPLICATIONS BY STATES; RESCISSIONS.—The
13 Archivist of the United States shall authenticate, count,
14 and publish all applications of States calling for a Conven-
15 tion for proposing amendments to the Constitution of the
16 United States pursuant to Article V of the Constitution,
17 together with resolutions of States to rescind previous ap-
18 plications.

19 “(b) CERTIFICATION AND NOTIFICATION REQUIRE-
20 MENTS.—Upon the receipt by the Archivist of non-re-
21 scinded applications calling for a Convention for proposing
22 amendments to the Constitution from two-thirds of the
23 several States, as provided under Article V of the Con-
24 stitution, the Archivist shall—

1 “(1) publish a certification that two-thirds of
2 the several States have called for the Convention, to-
3 gether with a list of the States submitting applica-
4 tions calling for the Convention; and

5 “(2) notify Congress that it is required under
6 the Constitution to call the Convention and set its
7 date and place forthwith, as set forth in Article V.”.

8 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
9 of chapter 2 of title 1, United States Code, is amended
10 by inserting after the item relating to section 106b the
11 following:

“106e. Duties relating to State applications calling for Article V Conventions.”.

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