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A C O N C U R R E N T R E S O L U T I O N

To urge Congress to propose the Regulation Freedom 1
Amendment to the Constitution of the United States. 2

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF OHIO (THE SENATE CONCURRING):

WHEREAS, The growth and abuse of federal regulatory 3
authority threaten our constitutional liberties, including those 4
guaranteed by the Bill of Rights in the First, Second, Fourth, 5
and Fifth Amendments to the Constitution of the United States; 6
and 7

WHEREAS, Federal regulators must be more accountable to 8
elected representatives of the people and not immune from such 9
accountability; and 10

WHEREAS, The United States House of Representatives has 11
passed with bipartisan support the Regulations from the 12
Executive in Need of Scrutiny (REINS) Act to require that 13
Congress approve major new federal regulations before they may 14
take effect; and 15

WHEREAS, Even if enacted, a law may be repealed or waived 16
by a future Congress or President; and 17

WHEREAS, An amendment to the Constitution of the United 18

States does not require the President's approval and cannot be 19
waived by a future Congress or President; now therefore be it 20

RESOLVED, That the members of the 131st General Assembly of 21
the State of Ohio urge Congress to vote to propose the 22
Regulation Freedom Amendment to the Constitution of the United 23
States to read as follows: 24

"Whenever one quarter of the members of the United States 25
House of Representatives or the United States Senate transmits 26
to the President their written declaration of opposition to a 27
proposed federal regulation, it shall require a majority vote of 28
the House of Representatives and the Senate to adopt that 29
regulation."; and be it further 30

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives 31
transmit duly authenticated copies of this resolution to each 32
member of Congress and to the majority leadership of each house 33
of every state legislature in the United States. 34