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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. FITZPATRICK (for himself and Mr. GALLAGHER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Citizen Legislature
5 Anti-Corruption Reform of Congress Act” or the
6 “CLEAN Congress Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITING MULTIPLE SUBJECTS IN SINGLE**
2 **BILL.**

3 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Each bill, order, resolution, or
4 vote submitted by Congress to the President under section
5 7 of article I of the Constitution of the United States shall
6 embrace no more than one subject, and that subject shall
7 be clearly and descriptively expressed in the title of the
8 bill, order, resolution or vote.

9 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—Subsection (a) shall apply
10 with respect to the One Hundred Sixteenth Congress and
11 each succeeding Congress.

12 **SEC. 3. REQUIRING EQUAL APPLICATION OF LAWS TO MEM-**
13 **BERS OF CONGRESS.**

14 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Notwithstanding any other provi-
15 sion of law, any provision of law that provides an exception
16 in its application to a Member of Congress or an employee
17 of the office of a Member of Congress shall have no effect.

18 (b) **CLARIFICATION RELATING TO EXERCISE OF OF-**
19 **FICIAL OR REPRESENTATIONAL DUTIES.**—Subsection (a)
20 shall not be construed to apply to provisions of law or rules
21 which permit Members of Congress or employees of offices
22 of Members of Congress to carry out official duties that
23 are tied directly to lawmaking, including provisions or
24 rules permitting Members and employees to enter and use
25 the United States Capitol, the United States Capitol
26 grounds, and other buildings and facilities.

1 (c) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “Member
2 of Congress” means a Senator or a Representative in, or
3 Delegate or Resident Commissioner to, the Congress.

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