

118TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

S. J. RES. _____

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to reaffirm the principle that no person is above the law.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Ms. HIRONO introduced the following joint resolution; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on _____

JOINT RESOLUTION

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1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled*
3 *(two-thirds of each House concurring therein),* That the fol-
4 lowing article is proposed as an amendment to the Con-
5 stitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all
6 intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when
7 ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several
8 States:

1 “ARTICLE—

2 “SECTION 1. ACCOUNTABILITY TO THE LAW.

3 The Government established by this Constitution is a gov-
4 ernment of laws. The President, Vice President, and all
5 civil Officers of the United States are accountable to the
6 law for their actions, both official and unofficial; every
7 such Officer is liable to prosecution and punishment in
8 the ordinary course of law, specifically including the Presi-
9 dent once no longer in office. Laws of general applicability
10 shall be applicable to the President unless otherwise speci-
11 fied.

12 “SECTION 2. ENFORCEMENT. This article is self-
13 executing. Congress shall have the power to enact legisla-
14 tion to facilitate the implementation of this article.”.