

Some Proposed Amendments – taken from the “Thomas Database” at Congress.gov

109th Congress (2005-2006)

- To ensure reproductive rights of women
- To force the Congress and President to agree to a balanced budget, with overspending allowed only in the case of a three-fifths vote of Congress
- To ensure that all children who are citizens have a right to a "free and adequate education"
- To specifically permit prayer at school meetings and ceremonies
- To allow non-natural born citizens to become President if they have been a citizen for 20 years
- To specifically allow Congress to regulate the amount of personal funds a candidate to public office can expend in a campaign
- To ensure that apportionment of Representatives be set by counting only citizens
- To make the filibuster in the Senate a part of the Constitution
- To provide for continuity of government in case of a catastrophic event
- The "Every Vote Counts" Amendment - providing for direct election of the President and Vice President, abolishing the [Electoral College](#)
- To clarify eminent domain, specifically that no takings can be transferred to a private person except for transportation projects
- Providing a right to work, for equal pay for equal work, the right to organize, and the right to favorable work conditions
- To allow the President to reduce any Congressional appropriation, or to disapprove of same (akin to a line-item veto)

108th Congress (2003-2004)

- To lower the age restriction on Representatives and Senators from 30 and 25 respectively to 21
- To ensure that citizens of U.S. territories and commonwealths can vote in presidential elections
- To guarantee the right to use the word "God" in the [Pledge of Allegiance](#) and the national motto
- To restrict marriage in all states to be between a man and a woman
- To remove any protection any court may find for child pornography
- To allow Congress to pass laws for emergency replenishment of its membership should more than a quarter of either house be killed
- To place Presidential nominees immediately into position, providing the Senate with 120 days to reject the nominee before the appointment is automatically permanent

107th Congress (2001-2002)

- Calling for the repeal of the [8th Amendment](#) and its replacement with wording prohibiting incarceration for minor traffic offenses
- To specify that progressive income taxes must be used
- To specify a right to "equal high quality" health care
- To limit pardons granted between October 1 and January 21 of any presidential election year
- To require a balanced budget without use of Social Security Trust Fund monies
- To allow for any person who has been a citizen of the United States for twenty years or more to be eligible for the Presidency
- To force the members of Congress and the President to forfeit their salary, on a per diem basis, for every day past the end of the fiscal year that a budget for that year remains unpassed

106th Congress (1999-2000)

- To provide a new method for proposing amendments to the Constitution, where two-thirds of all state legislatures could start the process
- To allow Congress to enact campaign spending limits on federal elections
- To allow Congress to enact campaign spending limits on state elections
- To declare that life begins at conception and that the [5th](#) and [14th](#) amendments apply to unborn children
- To prohibit courts from instructing any state or lower government to levy or raise taxes

105th Congress (1997-1998)

- To force a national referendum for any deficit spending

- To provide for the reconfirmation of federal judges every 12 years
- To prohibit the early release of convicted criminals
- To establish the right to a home
- To define the legal effect of international treaties
- To clarify that the Constitution neither prohibits nor requires school prayer
- To establish judicial terms of office

104th Congress (1995-1996)

- To clarify the meaning of [the 2nd Amendment](#)
- To provide for the reconfirmation of federal judges every 6 years
- To force a two-thirds vote for any bill that raises taxes
- To repeal [the 16th Amendment](#) and specifically prohibit an income tax
- To provide for removal of any officer of the U.S. convicted of a felony
- To permit the States to set term limits for their Representatives and Senators

103rd Congress (1993-1994)

- To allow a Presidential pardon of an individual only after they have been tried and convicted of a crime
- To allow Congress to pass legislation to allow the Supreme Court to remove federal judges from office
- To provide for the reconfirmation of federal judges every 10 years
- To provide for the recall of Representatives and Senators
- To remove automatic citizenship of children born in the U.S. to non-resident parents
- To enable or repeal laws by popular vote
- To define a process to allow amendments to the Constitution be proposed by a popular ("grass-roots") effort
- To force a three-fifths vote for any bill that raises taxes
- To prohibit retroactive taxation
- To provide for run-off Presidential elections if no one candidate receives more than 50% of the vote
- To prohibit abortion
- To bar imposition on the States of unfunded federal mandates

102nd Congress (1991-1992)

- To disallow the desecration of the U.S. Flag
- To allow a line-item veto in appropriations bills
- To expand the term of Representatives to four years
- To force a balanced budget
- To prohibit involuntary busing of students
- To make English the official language of the United States
- To set term limits on Representatives and Senators
- To repeal [the 22nd Amendment](#) (removing Presidential term limits)
- To guarantee a right to employment opportunity for all citizens
- To grant protections to unborn children
- To provide for "moments of silence" in public schools
- To allow Congress to regulate expenditures for and contributions to political campaigns
- To provide for the rights of crime victims
- To provide for access to medical care for all citizens
- To repeal [the 2nd Amendment](#) (right to bear arms)
- To prohibit the death penalty
- To protect the environment
- To repeal [the 26th Amendment](#) and grant the right to vote to 16-year olds
- To provide equal rights to men and women