
SENATE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THAT THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS PASS A LAW THAT
CRIMINALIZES ANY ACT BY A CURRENT OR FORMER LAW ENFORCEMENT
OFFICER, MILITARY PERSONNEL, OR POLITICIAN THAT IS CONTRARY
TO THEIR OATH TO UPHOLD THE CONSTITUTION.

1 WHEREAS, upon enlistment or taking office, law enforcement,
2 military personnel, and elected officials, take an oath to
3 support and defend the Constitution against all enemies, to
4 support and defend the Constitution of the United States, and to
5 perform the duties of the office they are about to enter; and
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7 WHEREAS, on January 6, 2021, the 117th Congress held a
8 joint session to count the results of the Electoral College vote
9 and certify the winning candidate of the 2020 presidential
10 election; and
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12 WHEREAS, around 1:00 p.m. the same day, protestors gathered
13 in the Ellipse at the National Mall and eventually marched to
14 the Capitol and began rioting; and
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16 WHEREAS, according to multiple media reports, Capitol
17 police officers did not stop the protestors from storming the
18 Capitol until the protestors reached the steps of the Capitol
19 and that during the riot, instead of detaining rioters, some of
20 the Capitol police stood by and merely observed, with evidence
21 of officers taking inappropriate actions including opening a
22 security fence to let protesters into the Capitol building; and
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24 WHEREAS, in addition to federal law enforcement and
25 politicians already present in the building, current military
26 officials, veterans, and state lawmakers were also present at
27 the march and the ensuing riot; and
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29 WHEREAS, the rioters at the Capitol caused material damages
30 currently estimated at \$30,000,000, the deaths of five people
31 and over a hundred injured; and
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1 WHEREAS, since then, over two hundred and fifty people have
2 been charged in federal court for their connection with the riot
3 at the Capitol and at least fourteen percent of those charged
4 have been found to have ties to the military or to law
5 enforcement; and

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7 WHEREAS, there are currently no specific criminal offenses
8 nor penalties for the violation by a current or former law
9 enforcement officer, military personnel, or politician of their
10 oath to uphold the Constitution; now, therefore,

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12 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-first
13 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2021,
14 that the United States Congress is requested to pass a law that
15 criminalizes any act by a current or former law enforcement
16 officer, military personnel, or politician that is contrary to
17 their oath to uphold the Constitution; and

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19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any violation of this law be
20 punishable by a loss of any benefits, including healthcare and
21 pension, that the violators would have been entitled to as a
22 result of their service; and

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24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
25 Resolution be transmitted to the Speaker of the United States
26 House of Representatives, Majority Leader of the United States
27 Senate, and members of Hawaii's congressional delegation.

