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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 131

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Memorializing Congress regarding birthright citizenship.

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Referred to Committee on Rules

Whereas the illegal immigration is costing the Commonwealth of Virginia and other states billions of dollars on an annual basis;

Whereas that Congress by its inaction has shown a complete disregard to solve this issue;

Whereas each year millions of illegal immigrants are coming into to the United States to give birth to children who are then considered US citizens;

Whereas, the Fourteenth Amendment of the US Constitution guarantees that all person born in the United States are US citizens;

Whereas the only manner to prevent children of illegal immigrants from automatically becoming US citizens is to amend the Fourteenth Amendment of the US Constitution

Whereas States can call for a constitutional convention pursuant to Article V of the United States Constitution;

Be it resolved that, the Commonwealth of Virginia petition the United States Congress under the provisions of Article V of the United States Constitution to call a constitutional convention to amend the Section 1 Fourteenth Amendment to the following:

Section 1. All persons born *to at least one parent who is already a US Citizen* or who are naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the State wherein they reside. No state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any state deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws.

Be if further resolved that this Resolution be sent to other State legislatures for approval.

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