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Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to clarify the authority of Congress and the States to regulate corporations, limited liability companies, and other corporate entities established by the laws of any State, the United States, or any foreign state.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 11, 2019

Mr. TESTER introduced the following bill; which was read twice and 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 That the following article is proposed as an amendment
4 to the Constitution of the United States, which shall be
5 valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitu-
6 tion when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of
7 the several States:

1 “ARTICLE —

2 “SECTION 1. The rights enumerated in this Constitu-
3 tion and other rights retained by the people shall be the
4 rights of natural persons.

5 “SECTION 2. As used in this Constitution, the terms
6 ‘people’, ‘person’, and ‘citizen’ shall not include a corpora-
7 tion, a limited liability company, or any other corporate
8 entity established by the laws of any State, the United
9 States, or any foreign state.

10 “SECTION 3. A corporate entity described in section
11 2 shall be subject to such regulation as the people, through
12 representatives in Congress and State representatives,
13 may determine reasonable, consistent with the powers of
14 Congress and the States under this Constitution.

15 “SECTION 4. Nothing in this Constitution shall be
16 construed to limit the rights enumerated in this Constitu-
17 tion and other rights retained by the people, which are
18 unalienable.”.

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