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# S. 810

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. BRAUN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration

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## 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 **SECTION 1. TRANSPARENCY RELATING TO MEMORIALS**  
4 **SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE V OF**  
5 **THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES.**

6 (a) DEFINITION.—In this Act, the term “Article V  
7 Convention” means a convention as described in Article  
8 V of the Constitution of the United States that is called  
9 by Congress on the application of the legislatures of  $\frac{2}{3}$   
10 of the several States for proposing amendments that shall

1 be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Con-  
2 stitution of the United States when ratified by the legisla-  
3 tures of  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the several States, or by conventions in  $\frac{3}{4}$   
4 thereof, as one or the other mode of ratification may be  
5 proposed by Congress.

6 (b) TRANSPARENCY REQUIREMENTS.—Not later  
7 than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, with  
8 respect to any memorial purporting to be an application  
9 of the legislature of a State calling for an Article V Con-  
10 vention or a rescission of any such prior application by  
11 the legislature of a State that is presented under Rule VII  
12 of the Standing Rules of the Senate, or under clause 3  
13 of Rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives,  
14 as applicable—

15 (1) if the memorial is presented in the Senate,  
16 the Secretary of the Senate shall—

17 (A) make each memorial publicly available  
18 in a searchable electronic format on a page of  
19 the official website of the Senate, organized by  
20 State of origin and year of receipt;

21 (B) indicate whether the memorial was  
22 designated as an application or a rescission;  
23 and

1 (C) provide the citation to the Congres-  
2 sional Record at which the application or rescis-  
3 sion was recorded; and

4 (2) if the memorial is presented in the House  
5 of Representatives, the Clerk of the House of Rep-  
6 resentatives shall—

7 (A) make each memorial publicly available  
8 in a searchable electronic format on a page of  
9 the official website of the House of Representa-  
10 tives, organized by State of origin and year of  
11 receipt;

12 (B) indicate whether the memorial was  
13 designated as an application or a rescission;  
14 and

15 (C) provide the citation to the Congres-  
16 sional Record at which the application or rescis-  
17 sion was recorded.

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