



## A Bill to Eliminate the Death Penalty

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All issuances of death penalties by juries shall henceforth cease. All cases  
3 currently in progress with death penalty as the punishment being sought  
4 for the defendant will not be affected. All inmates currently on death row  
5 will not be affected. Henceforth, the highest form of punishment in the  
6 United States shall be a life sentence without parole.

7 **SECTION 2.** "Issuances" means that a jury has returned a unanimous verdict of guilty  
8 against a defendant who faces the death penalty.

9 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice shall oversee the remaining pending  
10 executions in the US.

11 A. The Department of Justice shall oversee the destruction of lethal  
12 chemicals used during executions once the last execution in the  
13 nation has been carried out.

14 B. The Department of Justice shall be charged with seeking sentences of  
15 life without parole for defendants in place of the capital punishment.

16 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall go into effect immediately upon its passage.

17 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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