

HOUSE No. 928

By Mr. Christopher A. Iannella of Boston, petition of Christopher A. Iannella for adoption of resolutions by the General Court memorializing Congress to require all federal employees to sign statements that they are not members of the Communist Party and will not invoke the protection of the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution at any time relative to such membership. Constitutional Law.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-Four.

RESOLUTIONS MEMORIALIZING CONGRESS TO REQUIRE ALL FEDERAL EMPLOYEES TO SIGN A STATEMENT UNDER OATH THAT THEY ARE NOT MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY AND WILL NOT INVOKE THE PROTECTION OF THE FIFTH AMENDMENT OF THE CONSTITUTION AT ANY TIME RELATIVE TO SUCH MEMBERSHIP.

Resolved, That the general court of Massachusetts hereby urges and petitions the Congress of the United States to enact legislation requiring all federal employees to subscribe to a statement under oath that they are not members of the communist party and will not invoke the protection of the Fifth Amendment of the Constitution of the United States at any time relative to such membership; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be sent forthwith by the secretary of the commonwealth to the President of the United States, to the presiding officer of each branch of Congress and to the members thereof from this commonwealth.

The Constitution of the United States

Article I, Section 1

All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives.

Representatives and direct Taxes shall be apportioned among the several States which may be admitted to or separated from the Union, according to their respective Numbers, which shall be determined by the whole Number of free Persons, or Persons bound to Service, in each State, excluding Indians not taxed, but including three fifths of all other Persons.

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