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## 1 House Memorial

2 A memorial to the Congress of the United States,  
3 urging Congress to repeal the Leahy-Smith America  
4 Invents Act of 2011.

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6 WHEREAS, the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act, H.R. 1249,  
7 was passed by Congress and signed into law on September 16,  
8 2011, and

9 WHEREAS, the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act represents a  
10 negative legislative change to the United States patent system,  
11 and

12 WHEREAS, the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act negatively  
13 transformed the United States patent system from a "first to  
14 invent" system to a "first inventor to file" system, eliminated  
15 interference proceedings, and developed post-grant opposition,  
16 and

17 WHEREAS, every day that Congress is in session there are  
18 lobbyists trying to weaken the patent system, and

19 WHEREAS, the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act is not about  
20 strengthening the patent granting system but about making it  
21 harder for patent owners to assert patents to protect their  
22 rights, and

23 WHEREAS, patents help the "little guy" so a one-person  
24 company and a company with 10,000 employees each have the same

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25 | rights, a fact that may be considered repulsive to the company  
 26 | with 10,000 employees, and

27 |       WHEREAS, the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act is of dubious  
 28 | constitutionality and only helps big corporations, destroying  
 29 | the power of the small inventor, and

30 |       WHEREAS, the United States patent system should revert to  
 31 | the fair system that was in place before the passage of the  
 32 | Leahy-Smith America Invents Act, NOW, THEREFORE,

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34 | Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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36 |       That Congress is urged to repeal the Leahy-Smith America  
 37 | Invents Act of 2011.

38 |       BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be  
 39 | dispatched to the President of the United States, to the  
 40 | President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the  
 41 | United States House of Representatives, and to each member of  
 42 | the Florida delegation to the United States Congress.