**A Bill to Discourage Private Prisons**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1**. The Bureau of Prisons shall refrain from building any new prisons in states which contract with private or for-profit prisons. All current construction projects in affected states will immediately cease. The BOP shall also relocate all federal prisoners from states which have such contracts by January 1, 2020.

**Section 2**. Private or for-profit prisons are defined as privately or publically held corporations which contract with state and local governments to handle corrections services. They may own or lease the buildings in which the prisoners are housed.

**Section 3.** The Bureau of Prisons shall oversee terms of this legislation. The Director of the BOP shall determine which states are not in compliance.

**SECTION 4.** This will take effect immediately upon passage.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by \_\_\_\_\_\_.*