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## Constitutional Amendment

**Subject: Financial Transparency** 

### **Text:**

"The Internal Revenue Service shall release to the public all tax-related filing documents, covering the last five tax years or the last five tax years for which a return was filed, for all candidates for President, Vice-President, Senate, or House of Representatives, within one month of the public announcement of their candidacy.

The Internal Revenue Service shall release to the public all tax-related filing documents, covering the last five reporting years or the last five tax years for which a return was filed, for all persons granted interim appointments as Vice-President, Senator, or Member of the House of Representatives, within one month of their assumption of such a position."

### **Reform Category(ies):**

Justification:		
[x] Legislative		[ ] Judicial
Branch(es) target	ed:	
[ ] Separation of P	owers/Check and ba	lances
[x] Responsible Go		
[ ] Necessary Clar		
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[ ] Enhanced Righ		
[ ] Democratic Pro	ocesses	
[ ] Counter-Major	itarian Requirements	
[x] Anti-Corruption	n, Transparency, Acc	countability

Politicians cannot be trusted to be financially transparent with voters, which limits the ability of voters to make fully informed choices about the likelihood of official corruption, conflicts of interest, and potential disloyalty. This Administration has denied Congressional requests for President Trump's tax returns, contrary to its clear legal obligations.

**Alternatives to Amendment?** Even if eventually there is a court order directing the Administration to comply with the Congressional request, and even if the Administration ultimately complies, Americans will have been deprived of essential information for years.

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