

**Provisions of Law Named in
Donald Trump's Signing Statements**
Inauguration through December 31, 2020

SUMMARY OF COUNTS

Total Signing Statements	Total Congressional Enactments Receiving Signing Statements	Types of Statements	Number of Provisions of Law Specifically Named in Signing Statements	Mentions of Unnamed Provisions	Total Objections
70	66	Rhetorical 6	646	70	716
		Constitutional 63			
		Other 1			

DETAILS

Signing Statement Number	Act and Public Law Number	Rhetorical or Constitutional	Specific Provisions Named in Statement	Count of Specified Provisions	Unspecified Provisions	Number of Mentions of Unspecified Provisions
2017-01	H.R. 244, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017 (P.L. 115-31)	Constitutional	Division C § 8049 § 8058 § 8077 § 8081 § 8116 Division J one heading Division B § 527 Division C § 8101 Division F § 517 Division C § 8103 Division C § 8040 § 8075 § 8114 § 9005 § 9011 § 9014 four headings Division B § 509 § 519 § 530 Division J § 7010(c) § 7013(a)	91	0	3

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			§ 7025(c) § 7029 § 7031(e)(2) § 7037 § 7042 § 7043 § 7044 § 7045 § 7048 § 7060 § 7070 § 7071 Division J § 7031(c) Division J § 7070(b)(2)(A) Division E § 622 Division B § 537 Division C § 10006(b) Division D § 401 Division J § 7041(b)(3) Division N § 310 § 311 §402 § 502(d) § 503 Division E § 713(1) and (2) Division C § 8009			

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			Division C, § 8134 Division J § 7063 Division K § 418 Division A § 716 Division C § 8005 § 8014 § 8070(a)(2) § 8076 Division H § 210 Division C § 8012(b) § 8035(b) Division F § 532 Division G § 101 § 102 a proviso under the heading "Administrative Provisions— Forest Service" Division N § 605(c) § 610 Numerous provisions authorize congressional committees to veto a			

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			<p>particular use of appropriated funds (e.g., Division C, § 8058)</p> <p>Numerous provisions ... condition the authority of officers to spend or reallocate funds on the approval of congressional committees (e.g., Division A</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">§ 702</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">§ 706</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">§ 717</p> <p>Division D</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">§ 101(a)</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">§ 201(a)</p> <p>Division G</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">§ 403</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">§ 409</p> <p>Division K</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">§ 188</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">§ 222</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">§ 405</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">§ 406</p> <p>Provisions that allocate benefits on the basis of race, ethnicity, and gender (e.g., Division B under the heading "Minority Business Development"</p> <p>Division C</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">§ 8016</p>			

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			§ 8021 § 8038 § 8042 Division H under the headings: i. "Departmental Management Salaries and Expenses," ii. "School Improvement Programs," and iii. "Historically Black College and University Capital Financing Program Account" Division K under the heading "Native American Housing Block Grants" Division K § 213			
2017-02	H.R. 366, the DHS Stop Asset and Vehicle Excess Act (P.L. 115-38)	Constitutional	One provision of the bill ... purports to require the Under Secretary to recommend budget rescissions to the Congress if the Under Secretary determines that DHS component heads	1	0	0

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			have not taken adequate steps to achieve optimal vehicle fleet size in the previous fiscal year. My Administration ... will respectfully treat the provision in a manner consistent with Article II, section 3 of the Constitution			
2017-03	HR 3364, the Countering America's Adversaries Through Sanctions Act (P.L. 115-44)	Constitutional	sections 253 and 257 ... purport to displace the President's exclusive constitutional authority to recognize foreign governments, including their territorial bounds, in conflict with the Supreme Court's recent decision in <i>Zivotofsky v. Kerry</i> .	2	0	0
			section 216 seeks to grant the Congress the ability to change the law outside the constitutionally required process	1	0	0
			certain provisions, such as sections 254 and 257, purport to direct my subordinates in the executive branch to undertake certain diplomatic initiatives, in contravention of the	2	0	1

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			<p>President's exclusive constitutional authority to determine the time, scope, and objectives of international negotiations</p> <p>other provisions, such as sections 104, 107, 222, 224, 227, 228, and 234, would require me to deny certain individuals entry into the United States, without an exception for the President's responsibility to receive ambassadors under Article II, section 3 of the Constitution</p>	7	0	1
2017-04	HR 3364, the Countering America's Adversaries Through Sanctions Act (P.L. 115-44)	Constitutional	<p>Since this bill was first introduced, I have expressed my concerns to Congress about the many ways it improperly encroaches on Executive power, disadvantages American companies, and hurts the interests of our European allies.</p> <p>...the bill remains seriously flawed – particularly because it encroaches on the executive branch's authority to negotiate.</p>	1	0	1

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			Congress could not even negotiate a healthcare bill after seven years of talking. By limiting the Executive's flexibility, this bill makes it harder for the United States to strike good deals for the American people, and will drive China, Russia, and North Korea much closer together. The Framers of our Constitution put foreign affairs in the hands of the President.			
2017-05	S.J. Res. 49, the Charlottesville Resolution (P.L. 115-58)	Rhetorical	none	0	0	0
2017-06	H.R. 2989, the Frederick Douglass Bicentennial Commission Act (P.L. 115-77)	Constitutional	Consistent with Signing Statements issued by President Obama and President Reagan regarding similar legislation, I understand that, with respect to their work on the Commission, the members of the Congress and their appointees "will be able to participate only in ceremonial or advisory functions" and "not in matters involving the	0	1	0

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			administration of the act in light of the separation of powers and the Appointments and Ineligibility Clauses of the Constitution."			
2017-07	H.R. 2810, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (P.L. 115-91)	Constitutional	Several provisions of the bill, including sections 1046, 1664, 1680, and 1682, purport to restrict the President's authority to control the personnel and materiel	4	0	1
			Section 1601 provides that the Commander of Air Force Space Command ... has "sole authority" over certain matters	1	0	0
			Certain other provisions of the bill, including sections 350, 1011, 1041, 1202, and 1227, purport to require that the Congress receive advance notice before the President directs certain military actions.	5	0	1
			Sections 1033 and 1035 restrict transfers of detainees held at the United States Naval	2	0	0

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			Station, Guantanamo Bay.			
			Section 1035 could ...interfere with the ability of the United States to transfer a detainee who has been granted a writ of habeas corpus	1	0	0
			I also strongly object to section 1633, which threatens to undermine the effective operation of the Executive Office of the President	1	0	0
			Several provisions of the bill, including sections 1069, 1231, 1232, 1239, 1239A, 1258, 1259, 1263, 1271, 1279A, and 1607, could potentially dictate the position of the United States in external military and foreign affairs	11	0	1
			Section 1244(b) purports to limit certain expenditures unless... the President submits to the Congress a plan to impose sanctions –	1	0	0
			Section 1245 purports to direct the United States			

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			Government to consider the RS-26 ballistic missile to be a breach of the INF Treaty "for purposes of all policies and decisions," if the President, with the concurrence of certain other executive branch officials, were to make certain legal and factual determinations.	1	0	0
			... section 910, the provision raises constitutional concerns related to the President's appointment authority.	1	0	0
			Section 1097 purports to reauthorize the Office of Special Counsel, including by continuing the existing tenure protections for the Special Counsel.	1	0	0
			Section 1653 purports to require the Nuclear Weapons Council to make an assessment and provide a report to the congressional defense committees in response to legislative activity by a single house of Congress.	1	0	0
			Several provisions of the			

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			bill, including sections 737, 1097, 1244, 1631, 1632, and 1669, as well as language in the classified annex to the joint explanatory statement of the committee of conference, purport to mandate or regulate the submission to the Congress of information -- such as deliberative process and national security information -- protected by executive privilege.	7	0	1
			Several provisions of the bill, including sections 513, 572, 807, 1648, 1676, 1696, 2878, and 3117, purport to require executive branch officials under the President's supervision to recommend certain legislative measures to the Congress.	8	0	1
2018-01	S. 139, FISA Amendments Reauthorization Act of 2017 (P.L.115-118)	Constitutional	Numerous references to Section 702 of the Act with constitutional interpretations	1	0	0

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2018-02	H.R. 3445, the African Growth and Opportunity Act and Millennium Challenge Act Modernization Act (P.L. 115-167)	Constitutional	“My Administration will treat section 205 of the Act ... as advisory.... Mandatory consultation is not consistent with the Constitution’s separation of powers”	1	0	0
2018-03	H.R. 3210, the SECRET Act of 2018 (P.L. 115-173)	Constitutional	“The Act purports to require various reports relating to the security clearance and background-investigation processes from executive branch officers, including the Director of the Office of Administration, within the Executive Office of the President.”	0	?	1
			“section 6 of the Act requires a report from the Director of National Intelligence that includes “a review of whether the schedule for processing security clearances under section 3001 of the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 (50 U.S.C. 3341) should be modified.” The executive branch will implement this provision in	1	0	0

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			a manner consistent with the principles set forth above and with the President's constitutional authority to recommend to the Congress such measures as the President considers to be necessary and expedient."			
2018-04	S. 2155, the "Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act" (P.L. 115-174)	Constitutional	"Section 211(a) of the Act, though styled as a congressional finding, purports to direct my subordinates in the executive branch to take certain positions before international bodies and to "achieve consensus positions" with State insurance regulators in negotiations before such bodies. These directives contravene my exclusive constitutional authority to determine the time, scope, and objectives of international negotiations."	1	0	0
2018-05	S. 2372, VA MISSION Act of 2018 (P.L. 115-182)	Constitutional	I direct the Secretary to treat section 1703E(g)(2)(B)(iii) as advisory and non-binding Section 202(c)(2) of the	1 1	0	0

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			<p>Act would require the President to consult with members of Congress on the appointment of the members to the Asset and Infrastructure Review Commission</p> <p>Section 203(b)(6) and (c)(4) purport to require the Commission to make all information used in developing its recommendations to the President available to the Congress and the Comptroller General.</p> <p>Section 202(h)(5) purports to require all Federal agencies to make available to the Commission any information it considers necessary to perform its duties.</p>	<p>2</p> <p>1</p>		
2018-06	H.R. 2061, the North Korean Human Rights Reauthorization Act of 2017 (P.L. 115-198)	Constitutional	H.R. 2061 contains a number of provisions, including sections 5(3), 7(c), 7(d), and 8(a)(2), that could be read to require the President to adopt a	4	0	1

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			particular foreign policy of the United States or to direct negotiations with foreign governments and international organizations. (See Statement on Signing the North Korean Human Rights Act of 2004.) Accordingly, I am directing my Administration to implement these provisions in a manner consistent with the President's constitutional authority to conduct foreign affairs.			
2018-07	H.R. 5515, the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (P.L. 115-232)	Constitutional	Several provisions of the bill, including sections 112, 147, 936, 1017, 1665, and 1689, purport to restrict the President's authority to control the personnel and materiel	6		1
			Several other provisions of the bill, including sections 141, 147, 323, 1231, 1242, 1247, 1259, 1264, and 1290, purport to require that the Congress receive a certification or notification before the President directs certain military or diplomatic actions	9		1

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			Sections 1033 and 1035 purport to restrict transfers of detainees held at the United States Naval Station, Guantánamo Bay	2		0
			Several provisions of the bill, including sections 1207, 1241, 1257, and 1289, purport to dictate the position of the United States in external military and foreign affairs.	4		1
			section 739 would deepen existing violations of the Appointments Clause, the Incompatibility Clause, and the separation of powers contained within the statute that established the Henry M. Jackson Foundation for the Advancement of Military Medicine	1		0
			section 1051 purports to establish an advisory commission “in the executive branch” for the purpose of producing reports and recommendations on the national security uses of artificial intelligence and	1		0

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			<p>machine learning. Section 1051, however, empowers Members of Congress to appoint 12 of the commission's 15 commissioners</p> <p>A number of provisions of the bill, including sections 595, 842, 1031, 1043, 1062, 1212, 1231, 1233, 1236, 1245, 1262, 1265, 1274, 1280, 1281, 1287, 1294, and 1761, purport to mandate or regulate the submission to the Congress or the publication of information protected by executive privilege.</p> <p>A number of other provisions of the bill, including sections 218, 327, 335, 627, 1018, 1065, 1205, 1208, 1261, 1677, and 1793, purport to require executive branch officials under the President's supervision to recommend certain legislative measures to the Congress.</p>	<p>18</p> <p>11</p>		<p>1</p> <p>1</p>

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2018-08	H.R. 5895, the Energy and Water, Legislative Branch, and Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, 2019 (P.L. 115-244)	Constitutional	Two provisions of the bill (Division C, sections 113 and 129) purport to require that the Congress receive a notification or certification before the President may direct certain military actions.	2	0	0
			Numerous provisions of the bill (including, for example, Division A, section 101(a)(3)–(5), section 201(a)(3)–(7), and section 301(e); and Division C, sections 132, 201, 202, 218, 225, 229, 230, 231, 248, and 252) purport to condition the authority of the Executive to spend or reallocate funds on the approval of congressional committees.	13	0	1
2018-09	H.R. 6157, the Department of Defense and Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations Act, 2019 and Continuing Appropriations Act, 2019 (P.L. 115-245)	Rhetorical		0	0	0

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2018-10	H.R. 6157, the Department of Defense and Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations Act, 2019 and Continuing Appropriations Act, 2019 (P.L. 115-245)	Constitutional	Several provisions of the bill (Division A, sections 8068, 8075, 8080(b), 8099, and 8101) restrict the President's authority to control the personnel and materiel the President believes to be necessary or advisable for the successful conduct of military missions.	5	0	0
			Several provisions of the bill (Division A, sections 8068, 8115, and 9016) also require the Executive to notify the Congress and then wait a period of time before making certain military decisions.	3	0	0
			Section 8068 furthermore purports to permit the congressional defense committees to veto a proposed modification of a command structure during the 30-day waiting period, in violation of INS v. Chadha.	1	0	0
			One provision of the bill (Division B, title II, under the "National Institutes of Health" and "Office of the	1	0	0

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			Director (Including Transfer of Funds)” headings) authorizes a certain transfer of funds with “15 days prior approval of the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate.”			
			Two provisions of the bill (Division B, section 514(a) and (b)) condition the Executive’s authority to expend funds on consultation with congressional committees.	2	0	0
			Two provisions of the bill (Division A, section 8122, and Division B, section 210) could be read to prohibit the use of funds to recommend certain legislation to the Congress.	2	0	0
			Division A, section 8009 prohibits the use of funds to initiate a special access program unless the congressional defense committees receive 30 days’ advance notice.	1	0	0

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			My Administration will treat provisions that authorize allocating benefits on the basis of race, ethnicity, or gender (e.g., Division A, sections 8020 and 8040; Division B, title I, under the “Departmental Management” and “Salaries and Expenses (Including Transfer of Funds)” headings; Division B, title III, under the “School Improvement Programs” heading) in a manner consistent with the requirement to afford equal protection of the laws under the Due Process Clause of the Constitution’s Fifth Amendment.	5	0	1
2018-11	H.R. 302, the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2018 (P.L. 115-254)	Constitutional	Four provisions of the Act (sections 1305, 1413, 1421, and 1905) require the appointment of officers of the United States in a manner that does not comport with the Appointments Clause. The Act also raises other	4	0	0

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			<p>constitutional concerns. Section 1910 of the Act requires the TSA Administrator to transmit reports, legislative proposals, and other communications directly to the Congress. If understood to prohibit further supervisory review of these communications, this provision would inhibit the President's constitutional authority to supervise the unitary executive branch, particularly with respect to the dissemination of privileged information and legislative recommendations. My Administration will interpret this provision in a manner consistent with the constitutional authority and obligations of the President.</p>	1	0	1
			<p>Several other provisions of the Act (e.g., sections 304, 333(e) and (g), 562(2) and (3), 753(c)(9), and 1959(a)(1)) require the executive branch to adopt a particular foreign policy or to direct negotiations</p>	7	0	1

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			<p>with foreign governments and international organizations. My Administration will implement these provisions in a manner consistent with the President's constitutional authority to conduct foreign affairs.</p> <p>Finally, certain provisions of the Act (e.g., sections 364(b)(4), 574(c)(2)(I), 1220(b)(3), 1230(b), and 1804(1)) require executive branch officials under the President's supervision to recommend certain legislative measures to the Congress. My Administration will treat those provisions in a manner consistent with Article II, section 3 of the Constitution, which provides the President the discretion to recommend to the Congress only "such Measures as he shall judge necessary and expedient."</p>	5	0	1
2018-12	H.R. 2259, the Sam Farr and Nick Castle Peace Corps Reform Act of 2018	Constitutional	"...section 203, would forbid the Director of the Peace Corps from	1	0	

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	(P.L. 115-256)		opening, closing, reducing, or suspending a domestic or overseas Peace Corps office or country program 'unless the Director has notified and consulted with the appropriate congressional committees at least 15 days in advance.' ... a requirement to consult with the Congress in executive decision-making violates the separation of powers."			
2018-13	H.R. 1551, Orrin G. Hatch Bob Goodlatte Music Modernization Act (P.L. 115-264)	Constitutional	One provision, section 102, authorizes the board of directors of the designated mechanical licensing collective to adopt bylaws for the selection of new directors subsequent to the initial designation of the collective and its directors by the Register of Copyrights and with the approval of the Librarian of Congress (Librarian). Because the directors are inferior officers under the Appointments Clause of the Constitution, the Librarian must approve each subsequent selection	1	0	0

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			<p>of a new director. I expect that the Register of Copyrights will work with the collective, once it has been designated, to ensure that the Librarian retains the ultimate authority, as required by the Constitution, to appoint and remove all directors.</p> <p>Another provision, section 105, calls on the executive branch to give the Congress advance notice of the filing of any motion to lift a consent decree involving a performing rights society. In accordance with section 105, my Administration will strive to provide the Congress with notice in advance of such filings. Consistent with the separation of powers and my constitutional responsibility to take care that the laws be faithfully executed, however, my Administration does not understand section 105 to require advance notice in the unusual cases when immediate action related to litigation is required.</p>	1	0	0

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2018-14	S. 3508, the Save Our Seas Act of 2018 (P.L. 115-265)	Constitutional	Sections 206(b), 208(a)(1), and 216 of the Act purport to dictate the position of the United States in external foreign affairs, and section 208(a)(2) of the Act purports to require an update to certain congressional committees on the progress of international negotiations. My Administration will treat these provisions in a manner consistent with the President's constitutional authority as the sole representative of the Nation in foreign affairs, and with the President's constitutional authority to withhold information protected by executive privilege, the disclosure of which could impair foreign relations.	4	0	0
2018-15	H.R. 6, the Substance Use Disorder Prevention that Promotes Opioid Recovery and Treatment for Patients and	Constitutional	Section 8202(a)(1) of the Act revives and restores the Office of National Drug Control Policy	6	0	1

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	Communities Act (P.L. 115-271)		<p>Reauthorization Act of 1998 (the "1998 Act"). Certain provisions of the 1998 Act, such as section 704(d)(8)(E)(i), impermissibly require congressional approval for executive action taken after the bill's enactment. Other provisions of the 1998 Act (sections 704(b)(21), 706(b)(4), 706(c)(2), and 709(d)(4)(A)) purport to require that the executive branch consult with the Congress before taking certain actions. These provisions impermissibly expand the role of the Congress in the execution of the laws.</p> <p>Sections 706(b)(4) and (c)(3) of the 1998 Act also purport to require consultation with foreign officials. In executing the Act, my Administration will treat these provisions in a manner consistent with the President's constitutional authority to conduct foreign affairs and international negotiations.</p>	2	0	0

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			Sections 706(c)(3)(A) and 706(c)(4) of the 1998 Act, as well as section 8003 of the Act, purport to mandate or regulate the submission to the Congress of information protected by executive privilege.	2	0	0
			Section 6086 of the Act and section 704(c)(3)(C) of the 1998 Act interfere with the President's authority to recommend legislation, either by requiring legislative recommendations or mandating budget submissions that meet certain criteria.	2	0	0
2018-16	S. 1595, Hizballah International Financing Prevention Amendments Act of 2018 (P.L. 115-272)	Constitutional	Sections 101 and 201 purport to require the President to deny certain aliens entry into the United States, without a sufficient exception for the exercise of the President's responsibility to receive ambassadors under Article II, section 3 of the Constitution.	1	0	0
			Section 104 purports to direct negotiations with	1	0	0

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			foreign governments or to require the Executive to adopt a particular foreign policy.			
2018-17	H.R. 6758, the “Study of Underrepresented Classes Chasing Engineering and Science Success Act of 2018” or the “SUCCESS Act” (P.L. 115-273)	Constitutional	Section 3 of the Act would require the Director of the USPTO to submit legislative recommendations to the Congress. My Administration will treat this provision in a manner consistent with Article II, section 3 of the Constitution, which provides the President the discretion to recommend to the Congress only “such measures as he shall judge necessary and expedient.”	1	0	0
2018-18	S. 140, the “Frank LoBiondo Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2018” (P.L. 115-282)	Constitutional	Several provisions of this Act, however, raise constitutional concerns. One provision, section 319, purports to require the Secretary of the respective department in which the Coast Guard is operating to notify the Congress and then wait 18 months before closing, ceasing operations, or	1	0	1

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			<p>significantly reducing personnel at a Coast Guard air facility.</p> <p>Two provisions, sections 317 and 508, purport to require executive branch officials under my supervision to recommend legislative measures to the Congress.</p> <p>Finally, the reference in section 709(a)(2) of the Act to the “antitrust laws” should not be interpreted to give the Federal Maritime Commission (FMC) the authority to construe the antitrust laws in the first instance, which is a responsibility traditionally within the province of the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice.</p>	2	0	0
			<p>Finally, the reference in section 709(a)(2) of the Act to the “antitrust laws” should not be interpreted to give the Federal Maritime Commission (FMC) the authority to construe the antitrust laws in the first instance, which is a responsibility traditionally within the province of the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice.</p>	1	0	0
2018-19	H.R. 390, the Iraq and Syria Genocide Emergency Relief and Accountability Act of 2018 (P.L. 115-300)	Constitutional	Sections 4, 5, and 6 of the Act purport to require the executive branch to adopt a particular foreign policy or direct certain negotiations with foreign persons and entities.	3	0	0

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			... section 7 of the Act purports to require the Secretary of State to make certain legislative recommendations	1	0	0
2018-20	H.R. 2, Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 (P.L. 115-334)	Constitutional	Section 12303 of the Act requires the Secretary of Agriculture... to establish a Tribal Advisory Committee predominantly composed of individuals appointed by Members of Congress, to advise the Secretary on matters relating to tribal and Indian affairs	1	0	0
			In addition, section 3201 permits the Department of Agriculture to use funds to carry out certain programs in Cuba. The Act prohibits such funds from being used in contravention of the policy outlined in National Security Presidential Memorandum 5 of June 16, 2017, (Strengthening the Policy of the United States Toward Cuba).	1	0	0

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2018-21	H.R. 1918, the Nicaragua Human Rights and Anticorruption Act of 2018 (P.L. 115-335)	Constitutional	Section 6(c) of the Act, in conjunction with section 6(a), purports to require the Secretary of State to consult with certain congressional committees while preparing annual reports regarding the activities of the Nicaraguan Government. My Administration will treat section 6(c) as advisory. Mandatory consultation is not consistent with the Constitution's separation of powers. I hope that consultation will be possible while preparing the reports required by section 6(a)	2	0	0
2018-22	S. 756, the First Step Act of 2018 (P.L. 115-391)	Constitutional	A new 18 U.S.C. Section 3634(4)(C), added by section 101(a) of the Act, purports to require the Attorney General to submit to the Congress an annual report that includes discussion of legal authorities useful or necessary to achieve certain goals. My Administration will treat this provision in a manner consistent with Article II,	1	0	0

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			section 3 of the Constitution			
2018-23	H.R. 7213, the Countering Weapons of Mass Destruction Act of 2018 (P.L. 115-387)	Constitutional	<p>Section 2(a)(10) of the Act purports to require the Assistant Secretary for the CWMD Office, a position created by the Act, to consult with certain congressional committees before making any changes in the structure or requirements of the "Securing the Cities" program. My Administration will treat this provision as advisory.</p> <p>Section 2(g)(6) of the Act purports to require the Secretary of Homeland Security annually to provide a report to the Congress that includes recommendations for any necessary statutory changes regarding the CWMD Office, or, if no statutory changes are deemed necessary, an explanation of that conclusion. My Administration will treat this provision in a manner</p>	1	0	0
				1	0	0

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			consistent with Article II, section 3 of the Constitution			
2018-24	H.R. 3342, the Sanctioning the Use of Civilians as Defenseless Shields Act (P.L. 115-348)	Constitutional	Section 3 of the Act purports to require the President to impose mandatory sanctions, including asset blocking and restrictions on entry into the United States, on certain foreign nationals. My Administration will apply these provisions consistent with the constitutional authority to conduct foreign relations, including the President's authority under Article II, Section 3 of the Constitution....Furthermore, my Administration will apply the provisions of section 3 consistent with 8 U.S.C. section 1182(d)(5)(A) (section 212(d)(5)(A) of the Immigration and Nationality Act), as amended by section 402 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002, Public Law 107-296	1	0	0

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2018-25	S. 1311, the Abolish Human Trafficking Act of 2017 (P.L. 115-392)	Constitutional	The Act, however, raises a constitutional concern. Section 5 of the Act requires the Department of Homeland Security to take “affirmative measures to avoid arresting, charging, or prosecuting human trafficking victims for any offense that is the direct result of their victimization.” My Administration will interpret this provision consistent with the prosecutorial discretion of the executive branch and the President’s constitutional responsibility to faithfully execute the laws of the United States.	1	0	0
2018-26	S. 1312, the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2017 (P.L. 115-393)	Constitutional	The Act, however, raises a constitutional concern. Section 502 of the Act requires the Department of Justice to take “affirmative measures to avoid arresting, charging, or prosecuting human trafficking victims for any offense that is the direct result of their victimization.” My Administration will interpret	1	0	0

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			this provision consistent with the prosecutorial discretion of the executive branch and the President's constitutional responsibility to faithfully execute the laws of the United States.			
2018-27	H.R. 5509, the Innovations in Mentoring, Training, and Apprenticeships Act (P.L. 115-402)	Constitutional	Section 5(b) of the Act, however, purports to require the Director of the National Science Foundation to submit a report to the Congress and to the public that includes legislative recommendations that could optimize the effectiveness of certain grant programs. My Administration will treat this provision in a manner consistent with Article II, section 3 of the Constitution	1	0	0
2018-28	S. 943, the Johnson-O'Malley Supplemental Indian Education Program Modernization Act (P.L. 115-404)	Constitutional	Section 2 of the Act amends the Johnson-O'Malley Act of 1934, creating a new section 7 that purports to require the Secretary of the Interior to submit an annual report recommending appropriate	1	0	0

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			funding levels for a statutory program. My Administration will treat this provision in a manner consistent with Article II, section 3 of the Constitution			
2018-29	S. 1520, Modernizing Recreational Fisheries Management Act of 2018 (P.L. 115-405)	Constitutional	<p>Keeping with past practice of the executive branch, my Administration will treat the plans promulgated by the Council as advisory only; the adoption of the plans will be subject to the discretion of the Secretary of Commerce as part of the regulatory process described in section 304 of the Magnuson-Stevens Act</p> <p>The Act, however, further strengthens the Regional Fishery Management Councils, which were first established by the Magnuson-Stevens Act of 1976 to promulgate fishery management plans. The power of these Councils has steadily increased over time, raising constitutional concerns related to the manner of the appointment and</p>	1	0	0
				0	1	1

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			removal of their members and of members of certain scientific and statistical committees that assist them.			
2018-30	S. 2726, the Asia Reassurance Initiative Act of 2018 (P.L. 115-409)	Constitutional	<p>Several provisions of the Act, including sections 101, 102, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 208, 209, 210, 211, 213, 216, 306, 307, 406, and 410, purport to dictate the policy of the United States in external military and foreign affairs, or to require the executive branch to undertake certain diplomatic initiatives with international partners. My Administration will treat these provisions consistent with the President's exclusive constitutional authorities as Commander in Chief</p> <p>Other provisions of the bill, including sections 201 and 213, purport to restrict the President's authority to control the personnel and materiel the President believes are necessary or advisable for the successful conduct of</p>	17	0	1
				2	0	1

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			<p>military operations.</p> <p>...a number of provisions in the bill, including sections 210 and 214, purport to mandate or regulate submission to the Congress or publication of information protected by executive privilege.</p>	2	0	1
2019-01	S. 3191, Civil Rights Cold Case Records Collection Act of 2018 (P.L. 115-426)	Constitutional	<p>...section 4 of the Act, which enumerates exceptions from the general requirement to release cold case records, could be read to compel disclosure of material covered by executive privilege...</p> <p>...section 3(f) of the Act could require disclosure, without regard to executive privilege, after 25 years of the date of enactment...</p> <p>...Related constitutional concerns arise with respect to the provision purporting to give the Civil Rights Cold Case Records Review Board ... authority to compel agency heads to provide cold case records</p>	1	0	0
			<p>...section 3(f) of the Act could require disclosure, without regard to executive privilege, after 25 years of the date of enactment...</p>	1	0	0
			<p>...Related constitutional concerns arise with respect to the provision purporting to give the Civil Rights Cold Case Records Review Board ... authority to compel agency heads to provide cold case records</p>	1	0	0

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			to the Board ...			
			...section 5 of the Act raises serious concerns under the Appointments Clause of the Constitution	1	0	0
			... section 5(f) of the Act purports to protect the members of the Review Board from removal by the President except on grounds of "inefficiency, neglect of duty, malfeasance in office, physical disability, mental incapacity, or any other condition that substantially impairs the performance of the member's duties."	1	0	0
			section 5(i)(2) of the Act provides that a Federal court may enforce a subpoena issued by the Review Board pursuant to a "lawful request of the Review Board." I have signed the Act on the understanding that the Board must request judicial enforcement of a subpoena through the Department of Justice, consistent with 28 U.S.C. 516 and the President's	1	0	0

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			<p>supervisory authority under Article II of the Constitution.</p> <p>I have, therefore, signed this Act without generally endorsing the establishment of independent agencies to review and facilitate the declassification and release of Government records. I</p>	0	1	0
2019-02	S. 1862, Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act (P.L. 115-427)	Constitutional	Several provisions of the Act, including sections 6, 7, and 8, purport to dictate the position of the United States in foreign affairs and to direct certain diplomatic actions. My Administration will treat these provisions consistent with the President's exclusive constitutional authority as the sole representative of the United States in foreign affairs.	3	0	1
2019-03	S. 512, the Nuclear Energy Innovation and Modernization Act (P.L. 115-439)	Constitutional	Several provisions of the Act, including sections 102(a)(1) and (3), 103(b)(3), (c)(3), (d)(3), (e)(3), purport to require	6	0	1

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			<p>the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to submit budget requests to the Congress to implement certain programs or to limit the amount it may request for those programs.</p> <p>Other provisions of the Act, sections 103(e)(4)(B) and (D), purport to require the Commission to evaluate whether additional legislative authority or appropriations are needed to implement a certain program envisioned by the Congress.</p>	2	0	0

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2019-04	H.R. 7318, An act to amend the Federal Assets Sale and Transfer Act of 2016 to ensure that the Public Buildings Reform Board has adequate time to carry out the responsibilities of the Board, and for other purposes (P.L. 115-437)	Constitutional	The Act, however, fails to address a constitutional concern related to the Federal Assets Sale and Transfer Act of 2016 (2016 Act). The 2016 Act requires the President to appoint 6 of the 7 members of the Public Buildings Reform Board from recommendations provided by Members of the Congress. ...the President cannot, consistent with the separation of powers, be constrained by recommendations of the legislative branch in appointing the members of an executive branch entity. I will, therefore, continue to treat this appointment requirement as advisory.	1	0	0

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2019-05	HJR 31, Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2019 (P.L. 116-6)	Constitutional	Certain provisions of the Act (such as Division F, under the heading “Contribution for International Peacekeeping Activities”) would require advance notice to the Congress before the President may direct certain military actions or provide certain forms of military assistance.	1	0	1
			Division C, section 527, and Division A, section 516, both restrict the transfer of Guantanamo detainees to the United States.	2	0	0
			Numerous provisions could, in certain circumstances, interfere with the exercise of the President’s constitutional authorities to negotiate international agreements (such as Division C, sections 509, 518, and 530; and Division F, sections 7010(c) and 7013(a)), to articulate the position of the United States in international fora	15	0	1

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			(such as Division F, sections 7025(c), 7029(a), (b)(1), 7031(d)(2), 7042(h)(1), 7043(g)(1), 7047(b)(3), 7054(b), and 7060(c)(2)(D), (3)), to receive ambassadors (such as Division F, section 7031(c)), and to recognize foreign governments (such as Division F, section 7047(b)(2)(A)).			
			Division C, section 537, provides that the Department of Justice may not use any funds to prevent implementation of medical marijuana laws by various States and territories.	1	0	0
			Certain provisions within Division D, title II, under the heading "Office of Management and Budget — Salaries and Expenses" impose restrictions on supervision by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) of work performed by executive departments and agencies, including provisos that no funds	0	0	1

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			<p>made available to OMB “may be expended for the altering of the annual work plan developed by the Corps of Engineers for submission to the Committees on Appropriations”; that “none of the funds provided in this or prior Acts shall be used, directly or indirectly, by the Office of Management and Budget, for evaluating or determining if water resource project or study reports submitted by the Chief of Engineers acting through the Secretary of the Army are in compliance with all applicable laws, regulations, and requirements relevant to the Civil Works water resource planning process”; and that “none of the funds appropriated in this Act for the Office of Management and Budget may be used for the purpose of reviewing any agricultural marketing orders or any activities or regulations under the provisions of the</p>			

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			<p>Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937 (7 U.S.C. 601 et seq.).”</p> <p>Several provisions (such as Division F, section 7041(b)(3)) mandate or regulate the submission of certain executive branch information to the Congress.</p> <p>In particular, Division D, section 713, prohibits the use of appropriations to pay the salary of any Federal officer or employee who interferes with or prohibits certain official communications between Federal employees and Members of Congress or of any Federal officer or employee who takes adverse action against an officer or employee because of such communications.</p> <p>Certain provisions (such as Division F, section 7064; and Division G, section 418) prohibit the use of funds to deny an Inspector General access</p>	<p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>2</p>	<p>0</p> <p>0</p> <p>0</p>	<p>1</p> <p>0</p> <p>1</p>

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			to agency records or documents. Certain provisions prohibit the use of funds to recommend certain legislation to the Congress (Division B, section 715), or require recommendations of certain legislation to the Congress (Division A, section 537). Numerous provisions purport, in certain circumstances, to condition the authority of officers to spend or reallocate funds on the approval of congressional committees (Division B, sections 702, 706, and 716(a), (b); Division E, sections 403 and 409; Division G, sections 188, 405, and 406).	2	0	1
				9	0	1
2019-06	S. 47, the John D. Dingell, Jr. Conservation, Management, and Recreation Act (P.L. 116-9)	Constitutional	... section 2406 establishes the Adams Memorial Commission While Members of Congress on the Commission are welcome to provide advice and	1	0	0

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			<p>recommendations and to participate in ... ceremonial activities ..., they may not participate in matters involving the execution of the laws, consistent with the separation of powers and the Appointments and Ineligibility Clauses of the Constitution.</p> <p>...section 4301 amends section 3 of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (16 U.S.C. 704) to direct the Secretary of the Interior...to adopt the recommendation of a regional migratory bird Flyway Council....The Flyway Councils are not composed of officers of the United States, raising constitutional concerns related to the manner of their appointment and removal.</p>	1	0	0
2019-07	H.R. 3151, The Taxpayer First Act (P.L. 116-25)	Constitutional	Sections 1001(a) and 2101(a) of the Act require the Commissioner of Internal Revenue to appoint persons to positions responsible for significant functions of the	2	0	0

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			Internal Revenue Service (IRS). Such persons are likely inferior officers under the Appointments Clause of the Constitution. Because the IRS is a component of the Department of the Treasury, the Commissioner is not the head of a department and thus lacks constitutional authority to appoint inferior officers.			
2019-08	S. 1838, the Hong Kong Human Rights and Democracy Act of 2019 (P.L. 116-76)	Constitutional	Certain provisions of the Act would interfere with the exercise of the President's constitutional authority to state the foreign policy of the United States. My Administration will treat each of the provisions of the Act consistently with the President's constitutional authorities with respect to foreign relations.	0	1	1
2019-09	S. 1838, the Hong Kong Human Rights and Democracy Act of 2019 (P.L. 116-76) AND S. 2710, a bill to prohibit the	Rhetorical		0	0	0

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	commercial export of covered munitions items to the Hong Kong Police Force (P.L. 116-77)					
2019-10	H.R. 5363, the Fostering Undergraduate Talent by Unlocking Resources for Education Act (or the FUTURE Act) (P.L. 116-91)	Rhetorical		0	0	0
2019-11	H.R. 1158, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020 (P.L. 116-93) AND S. 1790, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (P.L. 116-92) AND H.R. 1865, the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020 (P.L. 116-94)	Rhetorical		0	0	0
2019-12	S. 1790, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (P.L. 116-92)	Constitutional	Several provisions of the Act, including sections 1254, 1273, 1698(a), and 2810, purport to restrict the President's authority to manage personnel, materiel, and logistical	4	0	1

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			matters...			
			Other provisions of the Act, including sections 1216, 1231, 1234(a), 1242, 1258(a), 2863(a)(2), 3534, 3541, 3543(d), 3551(c)(6), (8), and (11), 6701, 7124, 7125, 7402, 7412(b)(1)(B), and 7426, purport to dictate the position of the United States in external military and foreign affairs.	18	0	1
			Some provisions of the Act in particular, including sections 1222(a), 1234(a), 1237(b), 1686(a), and 6704, purport to require that the Congress receive a certification, notification, or report before the President directs certain military or diplomatic actions.	5	0	1
			I note also the understanding of the executive branch that the definition of the "exclusive economic zone" in section 3532(3) of the Act is provided for purposes of the Maritime SAFE Act only (Division C, title 35,	1	0	0

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			<p>subtitle C) and does not purport to alter the definition of the United States' exclusive economic zone for all other purposes...</p> <p>Sections 1042 and 1043 of the Act purport to restrict transfers of detainees held at United States Naval Station, Guantánamo Bay.</p> <p>Other provisions of the Act present concerns under the Constitution's Appointments Clause and the separation of powers.</p> <p>section 953(b)(1) section 953(b)(2) section 6306 section 733 section 3203 section 1034(a) sections 1639, 1735, 1738, 6741, and 7221</p> <p>A number of provisions of the Act, including sections 1236(b)(5), 1261, 1264, 1277, 1285, 1644, 1650, 1686(b), 1691, 1711, 1722, 1744, 1753(a)(3), 3134(b)(2)(A), 3202(c), 5102(b), 5501,</p>	<p>2</p> <p>11</p> <p>47</p>	<p>0</p> <p>0</p> <p>0</p>	<p>1</p> <p>0</p> <p>1</p>

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			<p>3554(b)(1)(A) and (c)(1), 5502(b), 5511, 5502(b)(3)–(4), 5709(a) and (c), 5713, 5714, 5715, 5721, 5722(d)(1), 5304(b), 5602(b)(3)–(4) and (c)(1), 6310(a), 6315(b)(1), 6507(c)(1)(B), 6603(b), 6604(a) and (b), 6705, 6716, 6718(a), 6719, 6729(b), 6741, and 7221(e), purport to mandate or regulate the dissemination of information that may be protected by executive privilege</p> <p>A number of other provisions of the Act, including sections 231(e)(2), 739(g)(2)(B)(v), 800(f)(2)(D), 1246(b)(5), 1260C(b)(2)(B), 1260E(b)(6), 5705, 6712(c)(1)(B), 6728(4), and 7145(2), purport to require the President or executive branch officials under the President's supervision to recommend certain legislative measures to the Congress.</p> <p>...section 633(c) of the Act</p>	10	0	1
				1	0	0

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			purports to condition the authority of the Secretary of Defense to consolidate military exchanges and commissaries on notification by the Committees on Armed Services			
2019-13	H.R. 1158, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020 (P.L. 116-093)	Constitutional	Certain provisions of the Act (such as Division A, section 8070) purport to restrict the President's constitutional authority as Commander in Chief	1	0	1
			Others provisions (such as Division A, sections 8075, 8078, 8110, 9013, and 9016) purport to require advance notice to the Congress before the President may direct certain military actions or provide certain forms of military assistance	5	0	1
			Division C, section 534 and Division D, section 516 of the Act restricts transfers of detainees held at United States Naval Station Guantanamo Bay.	2	0	0

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			Certain provisions of the Act (such as Division B, sections 509, 516, and 526; Division D, section 523) could, in certain circumstances, interfere with the exercise of the President's constitutional authority to conduct diplomacy.	4	0	1
			Division B, section 531 of the Act provides that the Department of Justice may not use any funds made available under this Act to prevent implementation of medical marijuana laws by various States and territories.	1	0	0
			Certain provisions of the Act within Division D, title II, under the heading "Office of Management and Budget—Salaries and Expenses," impose restrictions on supervision by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) of work performed by executive departments and agencies...	0	1	1
			Certain provisions of the Act (such as Division C,	2	0	1

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			sections 713 and 743) purport to prohibit the use of appropriations to supervise communications by employees of the executive branch to the Congress and to Inspectors General.			
			Other provisions (such as Division C, section 616) purport to prohibit the use of funds to deny an Inspector General access to agency records or documents.	1	0	1
			...certain provisions of the Act (such as Division B, section 112) purport to mandate or regulate the dissemination of information that may be protected by executive privilege.	1	0	1
			Certain provisions of the Act (such as Division D, section 536) purport to require recommendations regarding legislation to the Congress.	1	0	1
			Certain provisions of the Act (such as Division C, sections 101, 112, 113,	13	0	1

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			116, 117, 201, 541, 608, 609, 717, 730, 803(a), and 815) purport to condition the authority of officers to spend or reallocate funds on the approval of one or more congressional committees.			
2019-14	H.R. 1865, the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020 (P.L. 116-94)	Constitutional	Certain provisions of the Act (such as Division J, sections 203 and 206) purport to restrict the President's constitutional authority as Commander in Chief...	2	0	1
			Other provisions of the Act (such as Division F, section 110, and language under the heading "Contributions for International Peacekeeping Activities") purport to require the President to receive the recommendation of subordinates in the executive branch...	1	1	1
			Numerous provisions of the Act could, in certain circumstances, interfere with the exercise of the President's constitutional authorities to articulate the	18	0	1

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			<p>position of the United States in international negotiations or fora (such as Division F, under the heading "Contributions for International Peacekeeping Activities"; Division G, sections 7010(c) and 7013(a); Division I, section 403; and Division J, sections 113(b), 143(a), 161(a)–(b), 203, 208, 403, 503, 504(b), 506(7), 903(b)(1)(C), and 7059), to receive ambassadors (such as Division G, section 7031(c)(1); and Division J, section 132), and to recognize foreign governments (such as Division G, section 7047(b)(2)(A); and Division J, section 112(c)).</p> <p>Division J, title VIII of the Act reauthorizes the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom, which comprises both congressional and Presidential appointees, as well as the Ambassador at Large for International Religious Freedom. Because this commission</p>	1	0	1

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			includes members appointed by the legislative branch, under the separation of powers it cannot be an executive branch entity, which must be subject to the supervision of the President under Article II.			
			Division P, section 1603(b)–(c) of the Act purports to empower special agents under the Inspectors General for the Architect of the Capitol and the Government Publishing Office to execute warrants for search, seizure, and arrest...	2	0	0
			Several provisions of the Act (such as Division J, sections 131(a)–(b), 162, 163(d), 164(a), and 903(b)(3)) purport to mandate or regulate the submission of certain executive branch information to the Congress or the public, including by mandating the declassification of certain information (Division J, section 902).	7	0	1

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			In addition, certain provisions of the Act purport to prohibit the use of funds to deny an Inspector General access to agency records or documents (such as Division F, section 214(a)–(b); Division H, section 418).	2	0	1
			Division B, section 715 of the Act purports to prohibit the use of funds to recommend certain legislation to the Congress.	1	0	0
			Numerous provisions purport, in certain circumstances, to condition the authority to spend or reallocate funds on the approval of congressional committees (such as Division B, sections 701, 702, 706, 716(a)–(c), and 726; Division C, sections 101(a)(3)–(5), 201(a)(3)–(7), and 301(e); Division D, section 301(e), 403, 409, and 426; Division F, sections 130, 201, 202, 218, 225, 229, 230, 231,	60	0	1

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			and 248; Division H, section 188, 218, 231(b), and 406; and Division J, section 901(f)(2)) or on prior consultation with congressional committees (such as Division A, section 514(a)–(b); Division G, sections 7009(c)(1), 7009(f), 7032(i)(2), 7034(e)(3), 7034(j), 7034(o)(3), 7041(a)(3), 7041(c)(2), 7041(i)(4), 7041(k)(4), 7045(e)(2), 7048(f), 7050(e), 7052(b), 7058(b)(4), 7059(e), 7060(a)(2), and 7062(a); and Division J, sections 505(a)–(b), 510(b)(1), 510(c)(1), 510(c)(3), and 904(a)(3)).			
2020-01	H.R. 6201, the Families First Coronavirus Response Act P.L. 116-127	Constitutional	One provision of the bill (division B, section 2302(c)) purports to require the Secretary of Agriculture... to submit a report to the Congress.... My Administration...will respectfully treat this provision in a manner consistent with Article II, section 3 of the Constitution....	1	0	1

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2020-02	S. 893, the Secure 5G and Beyond Act of 2020 P.L. 116-129	Constitutional	...section 4 of the Act purports to require the President to engage in international diplomacy in order to share information and pursue policy goals specified by the Congress.	1	0	0
			Section 5 of the Act further purports to condition the President's authority to implement parts of the strategy upon the approval of the Federal Communications Commission.	1	0	0
2020-03	H.R. 4334, the "Supporting Older Americans Act of 2020" P.L. 116-131	Constitutional	Section 127 of the Act requires the Assistant Secretary for Aging of the Department of Health and Human Services to appoint a person to a position that may qualify as an inferior office under the Appointments Clause. My Administration will interpret section 127 in a manner that ensures that this appointment is made consistent with the Constitution.	1	0	1

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2020-04	H.R. 748, the "Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act" (the CARES Act) P.L. 116-136	Constitutional	Section 15010(c)(3)(B) of Division B of the Act purports to require the Chairperson of the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency to consult with members of the Congress regarding the selection of the Executive Director and Deputy Executive Director for the newly formed Pandemic Response Accountability Committee.	1	0	0
			Section 4018 of Division A of the Act establishes a new Special Inspector General for Pandemic Recovery (SIGPR) within the Department of the Treasury to manage audits and investigations of loans and investments made by the Secretary of the Treasury under the Act.	1	0	0
			Section 4018(e)(4)(B) of the Act authorizes the SIGPR to request information from other government agencies and requires the SIGPR to report to the Congress "without delay" any refusal	1	0	0

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			of such a request that “in the judgment of the Special Inspector General” is unreasonable. I do not understand, and my Administration will not treat, this provision as permitting the SIGPR to issue reports to the Congress without the presidential supervision required by the Take Care Clause, Article II, section 3.			
			Certain other provisions (such as sections 20001, 21007, and 21010 of Division B of the Act) purport to condition the authority of officers to spend or reallocate funds upon consultation with, or the approval of, one or more congressional committees.	3	0	1
			...several provisions (such as sections 3511(d)(4) and 3862 (creating section 744N(d)(1) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act) of Division A of the Act) purport to require recommendations regarding legislation to the	2	0	1

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			Congress.			
2020-05	H.R. 7010, the Paycheck Protection Program Flexibility Act of 2020 P.L. 116-142	Constitutional	"...given the uncertain constitutionality of the Act in light of an unprecedented proxy voting system used by the House of Representatives that permitted Members to cast votes on behalf of, and record the presence of, other Members who were not actually present, I urge the Congress to pass the Act anew through traditional in-person voting at the earliest available opportunity."	0	1	0
2020-06	S. 3744, the Uyghur Human Rights Policy Act of 2020 P.L. 116-145	Constitutional	...section 6(g) of the Act purports to limit my discretion to terminate inadmissibility sanctions under the Act. In some circumstances, this limitation could be inconsistent with my constitutional authorities to receive as diplomatic representatives certain foreign officials under	1	0	0

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2020-09	S. 881, the Promoting Research and Observations of Space Weather to Improve the Forecasting of Tomorrow Act (PROSWIFT Act) P.L. 116-181	Constitutional	I note, however, that certain provisions of the Act, while generally unobjectionable as a matter of policy, could limit my discretion under Article II of the Constitution to conduct the Nation's foreign affairs. These include applicable parts of section 2(a) and 51 U.S.C. 60601(c)(3) and 60603(c), as added by section 2(b). My Administration will treat these limitations as advisory and non-binding.	3	0	1
2020-10	S. 209, the PROGRESS for Indian Tribes Act of 2019 P.L. 116-180	Constitutional	"...section 408(g)(3)(B)(ii) of the ISDEAA, as amended by the Act, purports to prohibit the Secretary of the Interior from reducing the amount of funding under title IV of the ISDEAA... My Administration will give appropriate consideration to these accompanying reports but will not consider them legally binding."	1	0	0
			"Second, section 105(p) of the ISDEAA, as amended	1	0	0

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			<p>by the Act, purports to apply a rule of interpretation in the administration of the ISDEAA to “all Federal laws . . . and Executive orders.” One of the means by which I carry out my constitutional responsibility under Article II, section 3, to “take Care that the Laws be faithfully executed,” is through the issuance of Executive Orders to supervise the executive branch. It is thus my responsibility to ensure that any Executive Order I issue heeds the rule of interpretation for Federal laws in amended section 105(p), but that provision cannot itself amend or change the meaning of Executive Orders....”</p> <p>“...section 407(i) of the ISDEAA, as amended by the Act, purports to negate the application of any “law or regulation pertaining to Federal procurement (including Executive Orders)” to construction programs carried out under title IV of the</p>	1	0	0

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			ISDEEA. I understand this provision only to change the governing law, not to rescind or direct the withdrawal of any Executive Order or to negate the legal effect of any Executive Order insofar as it may be designed to ensure compliance with the Constitution or is otherwise an exercise of those Article II powers with which the Congress may not interfere (such as the President's power to "require the Opinion, in writing, of the principal Officer in each of the executive Departments, upon any Subject relating to the Duties of their respective Offices")"			
2020-011	S. 3051, the America's Conservation Enhancement Act P.L. 116-188	Constitutional	Section 104(b)(2)(A) of the Act interferes with my exclusive authority under Article II of the Constitution ...Accordingly, my Administration will treat it as advisory and non-binding.	1	0	0

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2020-12	H.R. 835, Rodchenkov Anti-Doping Act of 2019 P.L. 116-206	Constitutional	My Administration will treat section 6 of the Act consistent with the President's constitutional authority to control the dissemination of information, the disclosure of which could impair national security, foreign relations, law enforcement, or performance of the President's constitutional duties	1	0	0
2020-13	H.R. 8247, the "Veterans Comprehensive Prevention, Access to Care, and Treatment of 2020 (COMPACT Act) P.L. 116-214	Constitutional	Two provisions of the Act (section 101(b)(2) and section 202(d)(2)(B)) purport to require the VA Secretary to evaluate whether additional legislative action is needed.... My Administration will treat these provisions in a manner consistent with Article II, section 3 of the Constitution Title II of the Act requires VA to establish or expand mental health services for eligible veterans and requires VA to provide or pay for eligible veterans to	2 1	0 1	0 1

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			<p>receive emergency suicide care at a VA facility or a facility outside of the department. The Act, however, does not require the providers who might render such care to veterans to have any relationship with VA. As a result, such providers may eventually try to seek payment from sources other than VA, including the veterans the Act seeks to protect. My Administration will work to ensure that the operation of Title II meets the needs of our veterans. Nevertheless, I call on the Congress to remain vigilant and prepared to act should additional legislation be required to meet any implementation challenges that may arise</p>			
2020-14	<p>S. 1982, the Save Our Seas 2.0 Act</p> <p>P.L. 116-224</p>	Constitutional	<p>Section 112(b) of the Act requires the Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere to appoint, and allows the Under Secretary to remove, members of the Board of</p>	1	0	0

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			<p>Directors of the Marine Debris Foundation, who would be inferior officers. The Appointments Clause authorizes the Congress to vest the authority to appoint inferior officers only in the President...</p> <p>Several other provisions of the Act (including sections 201, 202(a), 203, and 204(b)) require the executive branch to adopt a particular foreign policy or purport to direct negotiations with foreign governments and international organizations.</p>	4	0	1
2020-15	<p>S. 2981, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Commissioned Officer Corps Amendments Act of 2020</p> <p>P.L. 116-259</p>	Constitutional	<p>"... section 207 of the Act purports to authorize NOAA officers to communicate directly with the Congress, free from supervision within the executive branch"</p> <p>"... provisions of this nature cannot detract from my constitutional authority to supervise, control, and correct NOAA officers' communications with the Congress related to their official duties, including in</p>	1	0	0

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			cases where such communications reveal sensitive information protected by executive privilege.			
2020-16	S. 1014, Route 66 Centennial Commission Act P.L. 116-256	Constitutional	I also expect that the General Services Administration...will be able to fulfill the intent of section 7(d) Consistent with the separation of powers, however, a directive from a legislative branch entity cannot be understood as binding on an executive branch entity like the GSA	1	0	0
2020-17	H.R. 133, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 P.L. 116-260	Unclassifiable (designated by the GPO as a "Statement on the President's Intention to Sign the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021")	The statement is unusual. It seems more to be a statement of frustration and anger, rather than a statement that raises constitutional concerns or announces the administration's approach to enforcement or execution of the law. Readers are referred to the text of the statement itself. This website will conform to the classification assigned by	0	0	0

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			the GPO when it publishes the document in the Compilation of Presidential Documents.			
2020-18	S. 914, the Coordinated Ocean Observations and Research Act of 2020 P.L. 116-271	Constitutional	Section 103(b) of the Act ... contravenes the Recommendations Clause, United States Constitution Article II, Section 3, which gives the President the constitutional prerogative to recommend to the Congress only such measures as the President shall judge necessary and expedient	1	0	0
2020-19	S. 3989, the United States Semiquincentennial Commission Amendments Act of 2020 P.L. 116-282	Constitutional	...because the Commission includes Members of Congress and congressional appointees, the Commission may provide advice and recommendations, and may participate in ceremonial activities, but may not participate in matters involving the execution of the laws, in light of the separation of powers and the Appointments and	0	1	0

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			Ineligibility Clauses of the Constitution.			