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## Cornyn, Tuberville Introduce No Sharia Act

Legislation Would Ban Sharia Law, Preserve Freedom of Religion in U.S.

**WASHINGTON** – U.S. Senators John Cornyn (R-TX) and Tommy Tuberville (R-AL) introduced the *No Sharia Act* to prohibit the application of Sharia Law in the United States:

"Sharia Law is an affront to our Constitution and the values Texans hold close," said Sen. Cornyn. "The No Sharia Act would install commonsense guardrails to ensure Sharia Law is kept out of our justice system and that freedom of religion ispreserved. Sharia Law has no place in Texas or America, and this bill would make sure of that."

"Sharia Law is fundamentally anti-American and has no place in our country," said Sen. Tuberville. "If you want to peacefully practice your religion, you have every right to do so under the Constitution. But if you want to come to the United States and advocate for the practice of Sharia Law over U.S. law, you should not be here. We do not want people who chant 'death to America' residing in our communities and endangering our families. We must protect American values, not apologize for them. I hope my colleagues can come alongside me in this effort to preserve our Constitutional and God-given rights."

## **Background:**

The *No Sharia Act* would:

- Prohibit courts from enforcing judgments, decrees, or contracts relying on foreign laws that violate the Constitution;
- Invalidate contract provisions based on foreign laws if they violate Constitutional rights;
- And bar application of marriage, divorce, custody, adoption, or inheritance if inconsistent with U.S. law.

The legislation builds on Sen. Cornyn's efforts to keep Sharia Law out of Texas. In April, he <u>called on</u> the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) to investigate the East Plano Islamic Center's (EPIC) planned Muslim community, EPIC Ranches City, in Josephine, Texas, following accusations of risking religious discrimination of Christians, Jews, and other non-Muslim minorities. In May, the DOJgranted Sen. Cornyn's request.

Senator John Cornyn, a Republican from Texas, is a member of the Senate Finance, Judiciary, Intelligence, Foreign Relations, and Budget Committees.

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