

**AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE
NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 7694
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Page 1, insert after line 3 the following (and redesignate succeeding sections accordingly):

1 SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

2 The Congress finds as follows:

3 (1) Since taking office, President Trump has
4 granted 36 pardons and commutations.

5 (2) President Trump has used his pardon
6 power to grant clemency to individuals who received
7 an unjust sentence or prosecution.

8 (3) On May 24, 2018, President Trump post-
9 humously pardoned African-American boxer John
10 Arthur “Jack” Johnson, who was convicted in 1913
11 on seven counts of violating the White Slave Traffic
12 Act (Mann Act) by an all-white jury. Civil rights
13 groups and advocates petitioned past presidents to
14 “officially recognize that [Johnson’s] prosecution
15 and conviction embodied racial hostility and intoler-
16 ance”. When pardoning Johnson, President Trump
17 stated, “[Johnson] had a conviction that occurred
18 during a period of tremendous racial tension in the

1 United States more than a century ago. Johnson
2 served 10 months in federal prison for what many
3 view as a racially motivated injustice. He was treat-
4 ed very rough, very tough”.

5 (4) On June 6, 2018, President Trump com-
6 muted the life sentence of Alice Johnson, a first-time
7 offender who had already served 22-years for drug
8 related offenses. In a press release, the White House
9 noted that Alice Johnson had “accepted responsi-
10 bility for her past behavior” and been a “model pris-
11 oner”. The release stated that, “[w]hile this Admin-
12 istration will always be very tough on crime, it be-
13 lieves that those who have paid their debt to society
14 and worked hard to better themselves while in prison
15 deserve a second chance”.

16 (5) On February 18, 2020, President Trump
17 commuted the sentences of three mothers, based
18 upon the recommendation of their recently freed fel-
19 low inmate Alice Johnson, as follows:

20 (A) At the time of her commutation,
21 Tynice Hall had already served 14 years of her
22 18-year sentence for a drug-related conviction.

23 (B) Similarly, Crystal Munoz had been im-
24 prisoned for 12 years for her “small role in a
25 marijuana smuggling ring”.

1 (C) Judith Negrón received a 35-year pris-
2 on sentence for her role in a healthcare fraud
3 scheme and had already served 8 years.

4 (D) The White House stated the three
5 women had “paid their debts to society and []
6 worked to improve their lives and the lives of
7 others while incarcerated”.

