

State of the Constitution, Q4 2026

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Preview, quarter in progress. Covers 2 of 14 weeks so far (2026-W40, 2026-W41). It is rebuilt each week until the quarter ends.

- Covers 2 of 14 weeks with a stored weekly report.
- The Constitution Index issued 734 grades: 488 A, 143 B, 60 C, 31 D, 12 F.
- 15 VFA SI Solutions published.
- 8 SI Think Tank proposals published.
- No Moved toward VFA entries were logged.
- 62 corrections logged.
- Most cited provision: Amendment V (500 items).

OVERVIEW

This is a preview edition of the State of the Constitution for Q4 2026, covering only the weeks listed in the data: 2026-W40 and 2026-W41. During this period, the Constitution Index issued 734 grades, with 488 A, 143 B, 60 C, 31 D, and 12 F. The busiest week was 2026-W41. No Moved toward VFA entries were logged, and 62 corrections were recorded.

THE CONSTITUTION INDEX

The Constitution Index graded 734 measures this quarter, including 583 bills and 151 executive orders. Among the highest-scoring measures were the Wyoming Education Trust Modernization Act, the Making America's Food Safer Act, and the Recognizing Community Organizations for Veteran Engagement and Recovery Act, each passing all checks. The lowest-scoring measures included Executive Order 14250 and several bills, each failing all checks. The most cited provision was Amendment V, appearing in 500 items.

Grade	A	B	C	D	F	Total
All grades issued	488	143	60	31	12	734
Bills	396	117	46	15	9	583
Executive orders	92	26	14	16	3	151

734 newly graded measures, 0 re-grades. At the end of the last week covered, the Index held 734 graded measures. Meanings: A Constitutional · B Mostly sound · C Significant issues · D Likely unconstitutional · F Direct violation.

Highest grades issued

1. A · S. 2273 Wyoming Education Trust Modernization Act (5/5 checks)
2. A · S. 4974 Making America's Food Safer Act (5/5 checks)
3. A · H.R. 2283 Recognizing Community Organizations for Veteran Engagement and Recovery Act (5/5 checks)
4. A · H.R. 9496 End Tax Penalties on American Hostages Act (5/5 checks)
5. A · H.R. 9340 Ratepayer Protection Act (5/5 checks)

Lowest grades issued

1. F · Executive Order 14250 Addressing Risks From WilmerHale (0/5 checks)
2. F · H.R. 3492 Protect Children's Innocence Act (0/5 checks)
3. F · H.R. 5625 Cashless Bail Reporting Act (0/5 checks)
4. F · H.R. 3486 Stop Illegal Entry Act of 2025 (0/5 checks)
5. F · H.R. 1442 To ban the sale of products with a high concentration of sodium nitrite to individuals, and for other purposes. (0/5 checks)

Provisions most cited

Provision	Items	Grades	Solutions	Think Tank
Amendment V	500	488	12	0
Amendment X	459	445	11	3
Amendment I	318	317	0	1
Article I, Section 8, Clause 3	279	270	6	3
Amendment IV	258	258	0	0
Article I, Section 8, Clause 1	244	234	8	2
Article I, Section 8, Clause 18	182	177	5	0
Amendment II	158	158	0	0
Article I, Section 8	135	132	1	2

Provision	Items	Grades	Solutions	Think Tank
Amendment IX	131	131	0	0

SOLUTIONS AND THE SI THINK TANK

The SI published 15 Solutions, with 9 automated and 6 editor-published. These Solutions targeted 7 bills, 7 executive actions, and 1 Supreme Court opinion. The SI Think Tank published 8 proposals. The provisions most frequently addressed by Solutions were Amendment V with 12, Amendment X with 11, and Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 with 8.

15 VFA SI Solutions published: 7 on bills, 7 on executive actions, 1 on Supreme Court opinions. 8 SI Think Tank proposals published.

ADOPTION, CORRECTIONS AND CHECKS

The gate review held 56 measures, published 57, and rejected 103, with a pass rate of 35.6%. Corrections totaled 62, including 43 withdrawals, 8 source changes, 7 superseded entries, 3 corrections, and 1 stage change. No Moved toward VFA entries were logged, meaning no new official bill text matched a VFA proposal during the covered weeks.

0 “Moved toward VFA” entries logged. 62 corrections logged (correction: 3, source changed: 8, stage changed: 1, superseded: 7, withdrawn: 43). The automated editorial gate published 57 of 160 items it decided (35.6%).

WEEK BY WEEK

Week	Grades	Solutions	Think Tank	Moved toward VFA	Corrections
2026-W40	0	6	0	0	0
2026-W41	734	9	8	0	62

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