

## **Lincoln Southwest Silver Talon Congressional Debate Docket**

- 1. This docket is set and must be debated in this order.**
- 2. All bills/resolutions will be debated with at least an authorship/sponsorship, one affirmative and one negative before voting.**
- 3. The novice docket will only include the first seven bills.**

1. A Resolution to Give all Students Free Breakfast and Lunch at School -- Ralston
2. A Resolution to Enact a Federal Recycling Program in the United States -- Hastings
3. A Bill to Prohibit Concealed Carry Permits -- Norfolk
4. A Bill to Create a Universal and Unified Healthcare System -- Omaha Marian
5. The Disaster Relief Fund Act of 2019 -- Creighton Prep
6. A Resolution to Demand The United Nations Investigate Russian Campaign of Assassination of Political Enemies -- Millard North
7. A Bill to Increase Funding for all Police Stations For Stronger Non-Lethal Weapons -- Lincoln Southeast
8. A Bill to End Tax Exempt Status For Religions Institutions -- Elkhorn South
9. A Bill to Protect Hibernating Animals -- Millard West
10. A Bill to Amend the Constitution and Abolish the Electoral College -- Lincoln East
11. A Bill to Demobilize the United States Armed Force -- Millard South
12. A Bill to Eliminate an Insensitive Holiday
13. The Comprehensive Immigration Reform Act of 2018
14. A Bill to Increase Public Investment in Geothermal Energy

A Resolution to Give All Students Free Breakfast and Lunch at School

1. **WHEREAS**, It is proven that having breakfast and lunch helps students' performance
2. and,
3. **WHEREAS**, Students in poverty often face a stigma for using the Free and Reduced
4. Lunch program and,
5. **WHEREAS**, Students above the poverty line who may not qualify for Free and Reduced
6. Lunch may still have to choose between food and other necessities and,
7. **WHEREAS**, A similar program to the one advocated here has successfully been
8. implemented in several districts across the United States, be it
9. **RESOLVED** by the student Congress here assembled that all public school districts in
10. the United States must provide breakfast and lunch for free to all students.

Submitted by Ralston High School

## **A Resolution to Enact a Federal Recycling Program in the United States**

1. **WHEREAS**, the current state of the environment is deteriorating, and
2. **WHEREAS**, the environment suffers from waste made by humans, and
3. **WHEREAS**, the United States puts over 247 million tons of recyclable waste in
4. dumps and landfills in a single year, and
5. **WHEREAS**, other countries have decreased the amount of recyclable waste put into
6. dumps and landfills by implementing recycling programs; now, be it
7. **RESOLVED** by the Student Congress here assembled to enact a federal recycling
8. program to help fix the environmental problem.

*Submitted by Hastings Senior High School*

## A BILL TO PROHIBIT CONCEALED CARRY PERMITS

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED  
THAT:

SECTION 1. States will be prohibited from being issuing permits for concealed weapons to civilians

SECTION 2. Concealed carry permits include any permit that grants any non-law enforcement individuals the right to carry weapons hidden from view.

SECTION 3. The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives will oversee the enforcement of the bill. States that continue to issue concealed carry permits will lose all federal grant funding distributed through the Department of Justice.

SECTION 4. This bill will go into effect on May 10th 2020

SECTION 5. All laws that are in conflict with this policy shall hereby be declared null and void.

Submitted by Norfolk Senior High

## **A Bill to Create a Universal and Unified Health Care System**

BE IT ENACTED BY THIS CONGRESS THAT:

1. SECTION 1. A unified, universal health care system will be created in the United States. Every United States citizen will have a health care tax taken out of their paycheck. For individuals making less than \$100,000 a year, the tax will be 1.5% of the individual's monthly income. For individuals making more than \$100,000 per year, the tax will be 5% of the individual's monthly income. This tax will go into a single public health care system that will be used to cover the cost of essential healthcare for all residents. All medical bills for essential health care services will be paid out of this single government-run pool of money.
2. SECTION 2. "Single public health care system" shall be defined as a pool of money, overseen by the federal government, that combines taxes from each worker's paycheck, and all current Medicaid and Medicare funds. "Essential healthcare services" shall be defined as doctor, hospital, preventive, and long-term care, mental health care, reproductive health care, dental, vision, prescription drug and medical supply costs; "essential healthcare services" does not include cosmetic procedures.
3. SECTION 3. This bill will be enforced and overseen by the United States Health & Human Services.
4. SECTION 4. This bill will be enforced starting January 1, 2020
5. SECTION 5. All other laws and policies in conflict with the bill will be considered null and void.

Submitted for debate by Marian High School.

## The Disaster Relief Fund Act of 2019

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- SECTION 1.** FEMA’s Disaster Relief Fund annual budget minimum will be set at \$10 billion USD. This bill will be referred to as the “Disaster Relief Fund Act of 2019.”
- SECTION 2.** The Federal Emergency Management Agency supports citizens and first responders in the mission of building, sustaining, and improving our capability to prepare for, protect against, respond to, recover from, and mitigate all hazards. The Disaster Relief Fund (DRF) is used to direct, coordinate, manage, and fund eligible response and recovery efforts associated with domestic major disasters and emergencies that overwhelm State resources pursuant to the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act. It also funds (1) the repair and restoration of qualifying disaster-damaged public infrastructure; (2) hazard mitigation initiatives; (3) financial assistance to eligible disaster survivors; and (4) Fire Management Assistance Grants for qualifying large forest or grassland wildfires.
- SECTION 3.** The Federal Emergency Management Agency alongside the US Department of Treasury will oversee the implementation and administration of this legislation.
- SECTION 4.** This bill will be in effect beginning FY 2020. Unless Congress acts to extend the provisions enacted into law under the Disaster Relief Fund Act of 2019, the act will sunset on December 31, 2030.
- SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Submitted by Creighton Preparatory School*

# A Resolution to Demand the United Nations Investigate Russian Campaign of Assassination of Political Enemies

- 1   **WHEREAS,**    A number of political enemies of the Russian government have recently  
2                    died under suspicious and mysterious circumstances; and
- 3   **WHEREAS,**    Coincidence can only cast away suspicions in so many instances of  
4                    untimely death; and
- 5   **WHEREAS,**    The world owes protection to political dissidents, whistle blowers, and  
6                    those who speech freely to power; now, therefore, be it
- 7   **RESOLVED,**   That the Congress here assembled demands that the United Nations  
8                    begin the process to investigate accusations of Russian assassinations of  
9                    political enemies of the administration of Vladimir Putin.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Millard North.*

## **A Bill to Increase Funding for all Police Stations for Stronger Non-Lethal Weapons**

BE IT ENACTED THAT THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. **Section 1.** The United States will hereby allocate an additional \$5 million nationally to
2. transition U.S. police armaments to nonlethal arms until each officer is armed with a non
3. lethal weapon.
4. **Section 2a.** “Non-Lethal Arms” shall be defined as police small arms and light weapons
5. designed to stun rather than kill.
6. **Section 2b.** Lethal Firearms will be kept at the respective police stations for crisis
7. events, with a minimum requirement of one armed and hostile assailant to be called
8. a crisis event.
9. **Section 3.** The United States Department of Justice Office of the Inspector General
10. will oversee the implementation of this bill.
11. **Section 4.** This bill will go into one year after passage.
12. **Section 5.** All laws in conflict with this bill are hereby declared null and void.

Submitted by Lincoln Southeast High School



**A Bill to End Tax Exempt Status for Religious Institutions**

**1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:**

**2 SECTION 1. Religion will no longer be an acceptable reason to be exempt from taxes.**

**3 SECTION 2. Religion will be defined as any belief or system of beliefs related to one  
4 or more deities or an afterlife of any kind.**

**5 SECTION 3. The implementation of this revised tax code will be coordinated or  
6 performed by the Internal Revenue Service.**

**7 SECTION 4. Churches, Mosques, Synagogues, and other religious institutions will pay  
8 their first taxes in January of 2021.**

**9 SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.**

**Introduced for Congressional Debate by Elkhorn South High School.**

# Bill To Protect Hibernating Animals

Be it enacted by this congress that:

1. Section 1: The act of killing hibernating animals should be punishable
2. with no more than a two years in jail and a thousand dollar fine or both.
3. Section 2: Let a hibernating animal be known as an animal that spends
4. the winter in a dormant state.
5. Section 3: The US Fish and Wildlife Service will be responsible for the
6. reinforcement of this act.
7. Section 4: This act will take effect Aprril 1st, 2019.
8. Section 5: Any laws in conflict with this bill are hereby declared null and
9. void.

## **A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Abolish the Electoral College**

1 **RESOLVED**, By two-thirds of the Congress here assembled, that the following article is  
2 proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which  
3 shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when  
4 ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states within  
5 seven years from the date of its submission by the Congress:

### **ARTICLE --**

7 **SECTION 1**: The Electoral College is hereby abolished.

8 **SECTION 2**: The President of the United States of America shall now be  
9 elected by a popular vote.

10 **SECTION 3**: The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by  
11 appropriate legislation.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Lincoln East High School.*

## **A Bill to Demobilize the United States Armed Force**

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2. **SECTION 1.** All Branches of the Military, and all military personnel that are in foreign
3. countries or not in any U.S. state/territory shall be immediately demobilized.
4. **SECTION 2-**
5. **A.** All Branches of the Military shall be defined as "Navy, Army, Marine Corps, Air Force,
6. and Coast Guard, as well as any and all Special Operation Forces."
7. **B.** Military personnel shall be defined as "any person that is currently in the United
8. States Armed Forces."
9. **C.** Demobilize shall be defined as "the taking of troops from active service."
10. **SECTION 3.** The Department of Defense will be tasked with enforcing this legislation.
11. **SECTION 4.** This piece of legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.
12. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Millard South High School.



## A Bill to Eliminate an Insensitive Holiday

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 SECTION 1. Columbus Day, traditionally recognized on the second Monday in

3 October, shall no longer be recognized as a federal holiday.

4 SECTION 2. No observances of this holiday, including closure of federal offices, shall

5 be permitted.

6 SECTION 3. All branches of the United States government, including all executive

7 departments, shall immediately create contingency plans for operation

8 on that day.

9 SECTION 4. This shall take effect upon passage.

10 SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.



## The Comprehensive Immigration Reform Act of 2018

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Individuals currently residing in the United States without proper  
3 documentation or authorization shall be permitted to apply for  
4 citizenship provided that they meet the following conditions:

5 A. They have previously met the qualifications for the Deferred Action  
6 for Childhood Arrivals program, or

7 B. They can demonstrate that they have resided in the United States for  
8 ten consecutive years, have not been arrested for any crime, and  
9 have paid all applicable taxes on income earned.

10 **SECTION 2.** Upon demonstration of the above, the person may apply for citizenship  
11 following the process currently in place.

12 **SECTION 3.** Fees for this form of citizenship application shall be set at \$1500 per  
13 applicant, with \$500 of that fee placed in an account for the purpose of  
14 strengthening border security.

15 **SECTION 4.** The Department of Homeland Security, through Immigration and  
16 Customs Enforcement, shall oversee implementation of this legislation.

17 **SECTION 5.** This shall take ninety days after passage.

18 **SECTION 6.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

# **A Bill to Increase Public Investment in Geothermal Energy**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- SECTION 1.** \$500 million shall be allocated toward the subsidization of the US geothermal energy industry.
- SECTION 2.** Geothermal energy shall be defined as energy derived and generated from heat stored in the Earth.
- SECTION 3.** The U.S. Department of Energy shall be charged with the implementation of this legislation.
- A. Funding for this legislation shall come from an increase in the federal gas tax of 2 cents per gallon.
  - B. All additional or leftover funds shall be redirected to the National Highway Trust Fund.
- SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go into effect FY 2019.
- SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.