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# **A Bill to Establish Penalties for “Sanctuary” Jurisdictions’ Existence**

1     **Whereas.** Sanctuary jurisdiction establishment is defined as the establishment of  
2                   regulations, either formal or informal, that prevent or restrict any level of  
3                   enforcement from involvement or activity in or around the field of federal  
4                   immigration policy; and

5     **Whereas.** Numerous states, cities, and counties, totalling to above one hundred and  
6                   seventy one jurisdictions, including but not limited to: The State of  
7                   California, The City of Philadelphia, and The City of New York, have all  
8                   implemented policies, both formal and informal, that fit the definition of a  
9                   sanctuary jurisdiction; and

10    **Whereas.** These sanctuary jurisdictions exist to obstruct the work of law enforcement  
11                  officials, and exist to the detriment of all existing laws, detainers, and other  
12                  pending judicial decisions; therefore be it

13    **Resolved.** That all jurisdictions that currently fall under the above definition of a  
14                  sanctuary jurisdiction will have its federal funding, from all sources within  
15                  the United States Federal Government, cut by  $\frac{1}{4}$  (25%) each year, until  
16                  the Department Of Homeland Security certifies that these jurisdictions are  
17                  once again in compliance; and all jurisdictions that fit into the the definition  
18                  of a sanctuary jurisdiction will be subject to the same punishment, until the  
19                  DHS certifies compliance; noting that the Office of the President  
20                  reserves the right to temporarily override this punishment, in the case that  
21                  there is determined to have been, or have an imminent threat of, an  
22                  emergency, and that all laws and regulations in conflict with this law  
23                  are declared null and void.

Respectfully introduced for Congressional Debate by  
Pelham Memorial High School

## **A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION**

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

### **ARTICLE XXVIII**

8 SECTION 1: The thirteenth article of amendment to the Constitution of  
9 the United States is hereby repealed.

10 SECTION 2: Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude shall exist within  
11 the United States, or any place subject to their jurisdiction.

12 SECTION 3: The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by  
13 appropriate legislation.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Msgr. Farrell High School*

# A Bill to Institute Police Body Cameras

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1           **SECTION 1.**    In order to combat instances of misconduct police  
2           departments are hereby required to mandate the use of body cameras for  
3           all law enforcement. Footage must be released to the public within 30 days  
4           of any incident involving unwarranted injury or death to a civilian during  
5           confrontation with the police.
- 6           **SECTION 2.**    A) “Law enforcement” shall be defined as all local and state  
7           police and sheriff departments.
- 8                            B) “Misconduct” shall be defined as any injustice that  
9           negatively impacts an individual.
- 10          **SECTION 3.**    Failure to comply with these guidelines will result in the  
11          immediate dismissal of an officer, unless otherwise justified by the  
12          Department of Justice.
- 13          **SECTION 4.**    The Department of Justice shall oversee the implementation  
14          of this legislation in conjunction with the Federal Bureau of Investigation.
- 15          **SECTION 5.**    This bill will go into affect January 2019.
- 16          **SECTION 6.**    All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared  
            null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Bronx High School of Science*

## THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY GLASS STEAGALL ACT OF 2019

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The full text of the 21<sup>st</sup> century glass Steagall Act of 2015(H.R. 3054) is  
3 hereby enacted.

4 **SECTION 2.** The 21<sup>st</sup> century Glass-Steagall Act amends the Federal Deposit insurance  
5 act to prohibit any FDIC-insured financial institutions from becoming or  
6 affiliating with any insurance company or securities entity, thereby  
7 separating commercial from investment banking

8 **SECTION 3.** The department of commerce will oversee the enactment of this  
9 legislation.

10 **SECTION 4.** This bill will take effect within 90 days of passage.

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

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Rep. Suhail Younus  
Syosset High School*

**A Bill to Impose Economic Sanctions on the Nation of Saudi Arabia**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1.)**SECTION 1.** Implement economic sanctions on the Nation of Saudi Arabia due to Saudi
- 2.)Arabia's blatant human rights abuses in Yemen, their own country, and other neighboring
- 3.)nations of the middle east. Also The United States will stop providing weapons, and military
- 4.)equipment to the Nation Saudi Arabia. This bill is a direct response to the murder of the
- 5.)Washington Post journalist Jamal Khashoggi to show that the murder of innocent civilians is
- 6.)not supported by the United States of America.
- 7.)**SECTION 2.** Economic sanctions will be defined as a financial the withdrawal of customary
- 8.)trade & financial relations for foreign and security policy purposes. Military equipment shall
- 9.)be defined as all weapons, weapons systems & platforms, vehicles, aircrafts, & munitions.
- 10.)**SECTION 3.** The Office of Economic Sanctions Policy and Implementation, a subsidiary of
- 11.)the U.S. State Department, will oversee the implementation of the economic sanctions.
- 12.)The Department of Defense (DOD) will oversee the halt of military equipment to the Nation
- 13.)of Saudi Arabia.
- 14.)**SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect immediately after passage.
- 15.)**SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Rep. Aaron Stein  
Cold Spring Harbor Jr./Sr. High School*

**A BILL TO REINSTATE VOTING RIGHTS TO  
EX-FELONS**

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States hereby mandates that unrestricted voting rights  
3 automatically be restored to people with felony convictions only after the completion  
4 of his/her full sentence.

5 **SECTION 2.** ‘Full sentence’ is defined as the period of incarceration, parole, and/or  
6 probation of an individual with a felony conviction.

5 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Justice will oversee this piece of  
6 legislation.

7 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect on January 1, 2019.

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

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Rep. Neeya Shetty  
Half Hollow Hills High School East*

**A Bill to create better infrastructure to improve the United States by increasing excise  
taxes and combining federal agencies**

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

2. **SECTION 1.** This policy shall enstate an increase on excise taxes on fuel to 35 cents a gallon of
3. gasoline. This shall increase taxes enough to allow funding of new and needed infrastructure and
4. help us wean off of non-renewable energy. Also as a means to increase funding we shall create a
5. unified department to merge the federal highway, transit, aviation, maritime, and railroad
6. administrations; the Army Corps of Engineers; and the Environmental Protection Agency's programs
7. to reduce inefficiencies and better secure federal funding. This new department will be called the
8. Department of Infrastructure and Safety.
9. **SECTION 2.** Infrastructure shall be defined as "the system of public works of a country, state, or
10. region also : the resources (such as personnel, buildings, or equipment) required for an activity"
11. which is seen in the Merriam-Webster Dictionary. The Internal Revenue Service define excise tax
12. by saying it is "Excise taxes are taxes paid when purchases are made on a specific good, such as
13. gasoline. Excise taxes are often included in the price of the product."
14. **SECTION 3.** The Department of Infrastructure and Safety shall oversee the implementation of this
15. legislation.
16. **A.** Since we combine all of Infrastructure main departments this will also be overseen by Congress
17. and there will be evaluations done by outside engineers to of make sure this new agency offers
18. maximum efficiency.
19. **B.** This will also include the IRS as a means to regulate the excise tax
20. **SECTION 4.** January 1, 2020
21. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.



## **A Bill to Improve the Water System of the United States**

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Agency of Sustainable Drinking Water is hereby

3 created and given an initial budget of \$1,000,000,000 annually.

4 **.SECTION 2.** This agency shall be responsible for ensuring the availability and safety of

5 drinking water for the future of the United States.

6 A. It shall be composed of a series of researchers, engineers, lawyers and

7 policy makers.

8 B. Six months after the passage of this legislation, the United States

9 Agency of Sustainable Drinking Water shall report back to congress on

10 any potential changes to its composition and funding.

11 **SECTION 3.** The United States Agency of Sustainable Drinking Water shall work in

12 cooperation with the Environmental Protection Agency, Department of

13 Energy, Department of Agriculture and the Department of the Interior.

14 A.The United States Agency of Sustainable Drinking Water shall

15 be able to include further agencies to work with as needed.

16 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go in effect one month after its passage.

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

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Rep. Krystian Makocki  
Christ the King Regional High School*

**Priority Bill for Prelims**

## A Resolution for the National Alliance For Taiwanese Autonomy

**WHEREAS,** The Chinese government refuses to acknowledge Taiwan as a sovereign nation, exploiting it both politically and economically; and

**WHEREAS,** Millions of people have not been able to exercise their political rights, depriving them both of international recognition and domestically mandated requirements for civil and human rights; and

**WHEREAS,** These abuses have harmed the United States' ability to claim itself as a protector of rights and the Chinese government has weakened the economy of Taiwan as a result of their policies; and

**WHEREAS,** The US maintains the importance of both trade and politics to influence the most change within Asia; and be it

**RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled officially recognize Taiwan as a sovereign nation; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the US will further encourage China to remove its presence from Taiwan

Respectfully Submitted,

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**A Bill to Discourage the Use of Gas/Diesel Fueled Vehicles and  
Promote the Use of Alternative Energy Vehicles**

- 1.)SECTION 1. This bill will put a 5% tax on every new gas/diesel powered car bought
- 2.)in the United States. The money made by the action previously stated will be used to aid
- 3.) any person who buys a new alternative fuel vehicle.
- 4.)SECTION 2. An alternative fuel vehicle (AFV) is a vehicle that runs on substances
- 5.)other than the conventional petroleum gas and diesel. Examples of alternate fuels include
- 6.)electric, solar, biodiesel, ethanol, propane, compressed air, or hydrogen.
- 7.)A Gas/Diesel powered vehicle shall be defined as any vehicle that is powered by an engine
- 8.)that runs on natural gas, compressed natural gas, petrol/gasoline, Diesel or propane.
- 9.)SECTION 3. The IRS, and the U.S. Department of Commerce, and the U.S. Department
- 10.)of the Treasury. will oversee the implementation of this bill.
- 11.)SECTION 4. This bill will go into effect January 1st 2020
- 12.)SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and 13.)void.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rep. Aaron Stein  
Cold Spring Harbor High School

# **A Bill to Reduce Civilian Ability to Construct IEDs**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **Section 1.** The purchase of powdered sulfur shall require a Civilian Permit to Purchase  
3 Sulfur.

4 **Section 2.** “Civilian Permit to Purchase Sulfur” shall be defined as a new permit that must  
5 be applied for and will be distributed by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and  
6 Explosives.

7 **Section 3.** The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives shall be responsible  
8 for the implementation of this legislation.

9 A. The application for this new permit for civilians shall require the recipient to not have  
10 committed violent crime in the past five years and to be a citizen of the United States.

11 B. Companies that purchase sulfur to produce goods shall require the CEO or founder to  
12 have a Civilian Permit to Purchase Sulfur for the corporation to continue purchasing sulfur.

13 C. Applications shall be reviewed and accepted by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco,  
14 Firearms and Explosives.

15 **Section 4.** This bill shall go into effect on July 1st, 2019.

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

*Respectfully Submitted by Christ the King High School*

**Supersession**

**A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO ABOLISH THE ELECTORAL COLLEGE**

1 **WHEREAS,** The Electoral College allows a president to be elected without a majority  
2 of voters and

3 **WHEREAS,** The Electoral College allows electors to disregard the will of the people  
4 and

5 **WHEREAS,** A democracy should be based on the will of the majority

6 **RESOLVED,** By a  $\frac{3}{4}$  vote of these houses and a  $\frac{3}{4}$  vote of the State Legislature that the  
7 following amendment be added to the constitution:

8 **ARTICLE --**

9 SECTION 1: the Electoral College is hereby abolished

10 SECTION 2: On a date designated by congress, voters shall vote for the  
11 President and the Vice president on a single ballot

12 SECTION 3: If no candidate receives a majority, there will be a runoff  
13 exactly one week after the original election date.

14 SECTION 4: The Department of Justice will establish voter eligibility  
15 and voting procedures which must be implemented in all  
16 states

17 SECTION 5: this amendment will be null and void unless it is passed by  
18 the aforementioned legislative bodies by January 1, 2020

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*Respectfully submitted,*

*Rep. Coopa Scher  
Syosset Highschool*

## A Bill to Preserve Commerce for Large-Capacity Firearms Magazines

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1       **SECTION 1.** Congress shall ensure the national market for high-capacity  
2               magazines is not infringed for a period of 10 years.

**SECTION 2.** When the state interests infringe upon the production and sale of high-capacity firearms magazines, federal powers shall take precedence and the limiting law shall yield.

6 A. "Limiting law" is defined as any state law excluding  
7 possession, manufacture, loan, import, or sale of firearms  
8 components on the basis of high capacity.

9      **SECTION 3.** The definition of high-capacity magazine is deferred to the state.

10     **SECTION 4.** Enforcement is deferred to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco,  
11             Firearms and Explosives.

12 A. The powers available to Congress arise from the  
13 Commerce Clause, the Taxing and Spending Clause, and  
14 the Police Power.

15     **SECTION 5.** This bill will go into effect no later than January 1st, 2020.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Senator Blackburn of Pelham Memorial High School*

**A RESOLUTION TO LEGALIZE MEDICAL MARIJUANA**

1       **WHEREAS**, medical marijuana is currently federally outlawed, and  
2       **WHEREAS**, marijuana assists in treating chronic pain and other medical  
3       problems, and  
4       **WHEREAS**, marijuana is a Schedule I drug; therefore, be it  
5       **RESOLVED**, by the Student Congress here assembled that marijuana shall  
6       become a Schedule III drug, and be it  
7       **FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Congress urges the DEA to act on this  
resolution.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Rep. Neeya Shetty*

*Half Hollow Hills High School East*



A BILL TO PREVENT PUBLIC COLLEGES IN THE UNITED STATES FROM RESTRICTING  
CONSTITUTIONALLY PROTECTED SPEECH

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2. **SECTION 1:** Funding of public colleges and universities in the US will be
3. reduced if they restrict constitutionally protected speech. Funding
4. of these institutions will decrease by 12% if the college does not
5. comply when the legislation is first enacted. Funding will be reduced 1%
6. more every single year until it reaches a cap of 20%.
7. **SECTION 2:** A. Public colleges shall be defined as any institution of higher education
8. or any technical or vocational school above the secondary school level,
9. that is operated by a State, subdivision of a State, or governmental agency
10. within a State, or operated wholly or predominantly from or through the
11. use of governmental funds or property, or funds or property derived from a
12. governmental source.
13. B. Constitutionally protected free speech shall be defined as the right to
14. express information, ideas, and opinions free of government restrictions
15. based on content and subject only to reasonable limitations (as the power
16. of the government to avoid a clear and present danger) especially as
17. guaranteed by the First and Fourteenth Amendments to the U.S.
18. Constitution.
19. **SECTION 3:** The Department of Education will enforce this legislation.
20. **SECTION 4:** This bill will take effect at the beginning of the 2020 school year.
21. **SECTION 5:** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rep. Andreas Pantazakos  
Chaminade High School

# A Bill to Support the Mexican Agricultural Industry

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1   **SECTION 1.**   The United States shall provide 500 million dollars in Development Aid to  
2                   the nation of Mexico as well as provide Developmental Services to improve  
3                   the nation's agricultural sector.

4   **SECTION 2.**   “Developmental Aid” shall be defined as direct financial assistance in the  
5                   development of improved agricultural processes, purchase of agricultural  
6                   technology to increase yields and subsidization of the sale of agricultural  
7                   goods.

8                   “Developmental Services” include both

9                   A. The modernization of the Mexican agricultural industry through  
10                  providing the country with modern technology

11                  B. Education for farmer’s on how to use this new technology, develop  
12                  their skills, find problems and/or opportunities in agricultural  
13                  production, conservation, marketing, and family livelihood through  
14                  the use of USAID’s Rural Extension and Advisory Services

15 **SECTION 3.**   USAID shall oversee this piece of legislation and shall work in conjunction  
16                   with the Mexican agricultural ministry to identify the farms and regions of  
17                   Mexico most in need of assistance. Funding for this legislation will be  
18                   reallocated from the State Department’s share of the Congressional  
19                   Discretionary Spending Budget.

20 **SECTION 4.**   This piece of legislation shall go into effect after 6 months after passage.

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

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*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Joseph Wisidagama.*