### A Resolution to Partially Privatize Social Security

| 1  | WHEREAS,       | The social security trust fund currently pays more to citizens than it collects from |
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| 2  |                | taxes; and   |
| 3  | WHEREAS,       | The social security programs funds are projected to run out by 2034; and             |
| 4  | WHEREAS,       | With our current system, our current generation will not receive retirement          |
| 5  |                | benefits; and  |
| 6  | WHEREAS,       | With the privatization of social security, in which workers manage their own         |
| 7  |                | retirement funds through personal investment accounts, workers, instead of the       |
| 8  |                | government, will manage their social security funds; and                             |
| 9  | WHEREAS,       | This will allow the social security fund to exist past 2034, unlike the current      |
| 10 |                | system; and  |
| 11 | WHEREAS,       | Change must be made in order to provide for the retirement funds for our current     |
| 12 |                | generation; now, therefore, be it  |
| 13 | RESOLVED,      | That the Student Congress here assembled call for a partial privatization of social  |
| 14 |                | security   |
| 15 | Introduced for | · Congressional Debate by Nivedan Dharmavaram of Hillsborough High School            |

### **A Bill To Lower the Federal Income Tax**

|    | BE IT ENACTED B    | Y THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:                             |
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| 1  | SECTION 1. The     | Census Bureau shall lower the federal income tax by 7 per-      |
| 2  | cen                | t for all with a salary of \$200,000 or less.                   |
| 3  | SECTION 2. A. T    | The Federal Income tax is defined as a tax levied by the United |
| 4  | stat               | es Internal Revenue Service (IRS) on the annual earnings on     |
| 5  | indi               | viduals, corporations, trusts, and other legal entities.        |
| 6  | B. F               | or those who earn \$157,501 to \$200,000 pay 32% tax, for       |
| 7  | tho                | se who earn \$82,501 to \$157,500 pay 24% tax, for those who    |
| 8  | ear                | n \$38,701 to \$82,500 pay 22% tax, for those who earn \$9,526  |
| 9  | to \$              | 338,700 pay 12% tax, and for those who earn less than \$9,526   |
| 10 | pay                | 10% tax.  |
| 11 | SECTION 3. The     | Federal Department of Treasury will be responsible for en-      |
| 12 | ford               | cing the provisions of this bill.                               |
| 13 | SECTION 4. The     | provisions of this bill shall take effect 1 year after passage. |
| 14 | SECTION 5. All     | laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null |
| 15 | and                | void.   |
| 16 | Introduced for Con | gressional Debate by Simon Hanna.                               |
| 17 | Carrollwood Day S  | School  |
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| I  |            | A Bill to invest in High-Speed Rail  |
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| 2  | BE IT ENAC | TED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:                                       |
| 3  | SECTION 1. | The United States shall provide funding to create high-speed rail lines in excess of   |
| 4  |            | 250 miles to the 65 most populous cities in the United States and to research          |
| 5  |            | future methods of rail travel.   |
| 6  | SECTION 2. | A. Research funded under this bill must study technologies or methods that             |
| 7  |            | improve the safety, efficiency, or affordability of passenger rail travel.             |
| 8  |            | B. Rail travel is defined as any form of transportation that follows a pre-built       |
| 9  |            | track, rail, path, or tube. High-speed rail is any rail vehicle that has a cruising    |
| 10 |            | speed in excess of 180 miles per hour.   |
| 11 | SECTION 3. | The Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) shall be responsible for enforcing the       |
| 12 |            | provisions of this bill.   |
| 13 |            | B. All funding will be provided by a Railroad Investment Tax, which will be an         |
| 14 |            | extra 0.1% tax on corporate and individual incomes. Five percent of the tax            |
| 15 |            | revenue will be allocated to the FRA for research and the remaining 95 percent         |
| 16 |            | will be allocated to Amtrak.   |
| 17 |            | C. The provisions of this bill shall terminate on January 1, 2049.                     |
| 18 | SECTION 4. | The provisions of this bill shall take effect immediately upon passage.                |
| 19 | SECTION 5. | All laws in conflict with the provisions of this bill shall be declared null and void. |
|    |            | Respectfully submitted,  |
|    |            | Gary Huddleston<br>Jesuit High School  |

#### **A Bill to End Affirmative Action Policies**

| 2 | SECTION 1. | The use of Affirmative Action policies and the collection of ethnic origin in       |
|---|------------|---|
| 3 |            | university admissions shall hereby be banned.                                       |
| 4 | SECTION 2. | A. Affirmative action policies shall be defined as policies that intentionally give |

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

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- B. Universities shall be defined as any post-secondary education institution.
- SECTION 3. A. The Department of Education shall be responsible for enforcing the provisions
   of this bill.

advantages to underrepresented minorities over other applicants.

- B. Any university that is found to be utilizing affirmative action policies shall be fined 1% of their endowment for admission cycle after the implementation date of this bill that the policies are in effect.
- 12 **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this bill shall take effect July 1, 2020.
- SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with the provisions of this bill shall be declared null and void.

  Introduced for Congressional Debate by St. Petersburg High School.



### A Bill to Recognize Climate Refugees

| 1 | BE IT ENIACTED   | <b>BV THE</b> | CONGRESS HERE  | ASSEMBLED THAT:    |
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2 SECTION 1. A. The Immigration and Nationality Act (1965) shall be amended to include climate change displaced persons as eligible for refugee status. 3 B. A quota of 100,000 eligible climate change displaced person shall be granted refugee status each fiscal year in perpetuity. 5 Climate change displaced persons shall be defined as individuals **SECTION 2.** 6 originating from a foreign country whose lives and/or livelihoods have 7 been directly threated by anthropogenically induced sea-level rise, 8 extreme weather, and/or drought. 9 SECTION 3. The United States Citizenship & Immigration Services and Immigration & 10 Customs Enforcement shall be responsible for enforcement and oversight 11 of this legislation. 12 **SECTION 4.** Indicate the implementation date/timeframe. 13 All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void. SECTION 5. 14 Introduced for Congressional Debate by Ben Nicholson of Pine View School

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### A Resolution to Halt Arms Sales to Bahrain

| 1  | WHEREAS,  | Bahrain is participating in the Saudi Arabian led military conflict in   |
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| 2  |           | Yemen; and   |
| 3  | WHEREAS,  | the civilian death toll and overall humanitarian state of Yemen is       |
| 4  |           | becoming increasingly dangerous as the war carries on; and               |
| 5  | WHEREAS,  | Bahrain is increasingly limiting the rights of activists, lawyers and    |
| 6  |           | journalists against the democratic interests of the United States of     |
| 7  |           | America; and   |
| 8  | WHEREAS,  | these weapon sales encourage violence in the Middle East and Africa;     |
| 9  |           | now, therefore, be it  |
| 10 | RESOLVED, | By the Congress here assembled that the United States shall halt its arm |
| 11 |           | sales to Bahrain.  |

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Marco Scalera of Southeast High School



### A Bill to Amend Title IX

| 1 | BE IT ENACTED    | <b>BV THE</b> | CONGRESS   | HERE ASSEMBLED THAT: |  |
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| 2  | SECTION 1.    | Title IX shall be amended to read the following, "No person in the United     |
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| 3  |               | States shall, on the basis of sex or sexual orientation, be excluded from     |
| 4  |               | participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to               |
| 5  |               | discrimination under any educational program or activity receiving            |
| 6  |               | Federal financial assistance."  |
| 7  | SECTION 2.    | Sexual orientation shall be defined as a person's sexual identity in          |
| 8  |               | relation to the gender to which they are attracted.                           |
| 9  | SECTION 3.    | A. The U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights shall be        |
| 10 |               | responsible for the enforcements of this amendment.                           |
| 11 |               | B. The enforcement mechanism shall be identical to those of the original      |
| 12 |               | Title IX which is a potential withdrawal of federal funding to the            |
| 13 |               | institution that is not in compliance with the title.                         |
| 14 | SECTION 4.    | The provisions of this bill shall take effect on January 1, 2020.             |
| 15 | SECTION 5.    | All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void. |
|    | Introduced fo | or Congressional Debate by Arianne Shedlock                                   |



### A Resolution to Increase Water Conservation Areas

| 1  | WHEREAS,  | Every American needs access to the water, food, and shelter to         |
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| 2  |           | participate fully in society; and                                      |
| 3  | WHEREAS,  | Nearly 1.6 million Americans do not have clean drinking water; and     |
| 4  | WHEREAS,  | Water conservation areas provide flood control and clean water supply; |
| 5  |           | and  |
| 6  | WHEREAS,  | An increase in water conservation areas will result in decreased water |
| 7  |           | deficiency in the United States and decreased consequences from        |
| 8  |           | polluted water; now, therefore, be it                                  |
| 9  | RESOLVED, | By the Congress here assembled call for an increase in water           |
| 10 |           | conservation areas.  |

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Baylee Stepina, Sarasota High School



### A Bill to Eliminate Solitary Confinement

- BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
- 2 **SECTION 1**. Solitary confinement shall be prohibited from all correctional facilities
- 3 nationwide.
- 4 **SECTION 2**. "Solitary confinement" includes administrative segregation, special or
- restrictive housing units, and any other form of confinement
- 6 characterized by isolation in a cell.
- 7 Current solitary confinement inmates will be gradually transitioned into
- the general population unit, provided regular re-socialization and mental
- 9 health counseling.
- SECTION 3. The Department of Justice shall be responsible for enforcing the
- provisions of this bill.
- **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this bill shall take effect on January 1, 2019.
- SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Melanie Van Peenen of Southeast High School

#### A Bill to Modernize the Sanitation of America's Public Schools

- 1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
- 2 SECTION 1. 800 million shall be put towards improving the standards, infrastructure, and
- 3 facilities of U.S. public school sanitation systems.
- 4 SECTION 2. Sanitation systems shall include, but are not limited to: bathrooms, showers,
- 5 sinks, water fountains, plumbing, waste disposal systems, and any water supplies.
- 6 **SECTION 3.** A. The United States Environmental Protection Agency, in conjunction with state
- 7 agencies, shall be responsible for enforcing the provisions of this bill.
- B. 10 million shall be given to the EPA in order to fund administration costs.
- 9 **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this bill shall take effect immediately upon passage.
- 10 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with the provisions of this bill shall be declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

Sahas Chintakayala King High School



# A Resolution to Increase Standards for Appointed Attorneys in Capital Cases

| 1  | WHEREAS,  | Many defendants in capital cases do not have the necessary funds for     |
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| 2  |           | effective representation; and  |
| 3  | WHEREAS,  | Attorneys appointed to capital cases are often overworked, underpaid, or |
| 4  |           | inexperienced; and   |
| 5  | WHEREAS,  | The inaccessibility of competent legal defense for defendants in capital |
| 6  |           | cases may lead to later appeals; and                                     |
| 7  | WHEREAS,  | The extensive process of appeals on death row may subject defendants     |
| 8  |           | to harsh conditions for years; and                                       |
| 9  | WHEREAS,  | The housing and appeals process for death row inmates can cost millions  |
| 10 |           | in taxpayer dollars; now, therefore, be it                               |
| 11 | RESOLVED, | By the Congress here assembled call upon the American Bar Association    |
| 12 |           | and Department of Justice to increase standards for appointed attorneys  |
| 13 |           | in capital cases.  |
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Introduced for Congressional Debate by Elijah Gelongo of Southeast High School



#### A Bill to Include Women in the Draft

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- SECTION 1. All female citizens of the United States shall register with the Selective 2 Service System within 30 days of their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday. 3 SECTION 2. A. Selective Service System is defined as the United States agency that 4 maintains information on those possibly subject to conscription. 5 B. Exceptions to this bill include women physically or mentally 6 incapacitated as verified by a physician, and women who are 7 incarcerated. 8 **SECTION 3.** The Selective Service System in conjunction with the Department of 9 Defense shall be responsible for enforcement of this bill. 10 A. Women that do not register will not qualify for federal student loans 11 or grant programs and are not eligible for jobs in the Executive Branch of 12 the Federal Government and the U.S. Postal Service. 13 B. Punishment for not registering is a felony punishable by a fine of up to 14 \$250,000 and/or a prison term of up to five years, or a combination of 15 both. 16 SECTION 4. The provisions of this bill shall be effective January 1, 2020. 17 SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void. 18
  - Introduced for Congressional Debate by Harley Haas



### A Bill to Ensure Taiwanese Sovereignty

- BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
- 2 **SECTION 1**. The United States will hereby formally recognize Taiwan as an
- independent country from the People's Republic of China as the Republic
- 4 of Taiwan.
- 5 **SECTION 2**. Recognition of Taiwan shall be defined as a formal denouncement of the
- "One China Policy" as well as the placement of formal embassies and
- 7 ambassadors to the Republic of Taiwan.
- 8 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. State Department will oversee the enforcement of the bill
- 9 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect immediately upon passage.
- SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Race Lamboley Sarasota High School



### A Bill to Restore Voting Rights to Released Felons

- 1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
- 2 **SECTION 1**. Former felons may not be disenfranchised by the United States or by any
- 3 State on account of one's previous actions.
- 4 **SECTION 2**. "Former felons" shall be defined as anyone who has been convicted of a
- felony that had completed their sentences including any period of
- 6 probation or supervised release.
- 7 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice shall be responsible for enforcing the provision
- 8 of this bill.
- 9 **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this bill shall take effect on January 1, 2020.
- SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by ChenJishi Lin of Southeast High School



### A Bill to Repeal a Portion of the Trade Expansion Act of 1962

- 1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
- 2 **SECTION 1**. Section 232 of the Trade Expansion Act of 1962 shall hereby be repealed.
- 3 **SECTION 2.** Section 232 of the Trade Expansion Act of 1962 authorizes the Secretary
- of Commerce to conduct comprehensive investigations to determine the
- effects of imports of any article on the national security of the United
- States and subsequently adjust imports without congressional approval.
- 7 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Commerce shall be responsible for upholding the
- provisions of this bill.
- 9 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall take effect immediately.
- SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Jack McKyton of St. Petersburg High School



### A Bill to Reform the Nuclear Policy

| 1  | BE IT ENACTE | D BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:  |
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| 2  | SECTION 1.   | A. The US shall cease the proliferation of Nuclear Warheads                   |
| 3  |              | B. All current Nuclear Warheads shall have their nuclear power                |
| 4  |              | converted to nuclear energy.  |
| 5  |              | C. The US shall allocate 500 million dollars to the Department of Energy.     |
| 6  |              | D. The US shall allocate 500 million dollars to the Department of Defense.    |
| 7  | SECTION 2.   | A. Nuclear Energy is defined as energy that is created through nuclear        |
| 8  |              | fission or fusion.  |
| 9  |              | B. Proliferation is defined as the spread of Nuclear Weapons                  |
| 10 |              | C. Nuclear Warheads shall be defined as weapons that receive explosive        |
| 11 |              | forces by nuclear fission or fusion reactions.                                |
| 12 | SECTION 3.   | The United States Department of Energy and the Department of Defense          |
| 13 |              | shall create a joint task force responsible for enforcing the management      |
| 14 |              | of the transfer of nuclear energy and weapons.                                |
| 15 | SECTION 4.   | The provisions of this bill shall take effect immediately after passage. The  |
| 16 |              | department of Defense shall have 30 years upon passage to convert             |
| 17 |              | nuclear weapons and warheads.   |
| 18 | SECTION 5.   | All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void. |
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Introduced for Congressional Debate by Ray Min, Pine View School



## A Bill to Incentivize Citizens to Become Organ Donors

- BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
- 2 **SECTION 1**. Registered organ donors and their immediate family members shall be
- prioritized if awaiting an organ transplant.
- 4 **SECTION 2.** A. Organ donors shall be defined as those who are officially recorded
- 5 with their state organ donor registry.
- **B.** Prioritized shall be defined as being placed on the transplant list above
- those who are not an organ donor or do not have a family member who
- 8 has donated organs.
- 9 C. Priority placement shall not supersede patients who are deemed in
- immediate critical condition.
- 11 **SECTION 3.** Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network (OPTN) and The United
- Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS) shall work in conjunction with The
- United States Department of Health & Human Services who shall be
- responsible for implementing the provisions of this bill.
- 15 **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this bill shall take effect on July 1, 2019.
- SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Garrett Olson

### A Bill to Provide Aid to MERCOSUR Countries

| 1  | BE IT ENACT       | TED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:                                       |
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| 2  | SECTION 1.        | The United States shall send \$800 million in total to the countries within the        |
| 3  |                   | MERCOSUR bloc.   |
| 4  | SECTION 2.        | A. The \$800 million will be divided among the countries based on Department of        |
| 5  |                   | State reports in order to accommodate for a particular country's needs.                |
| 6  |                   | B. The aid will be used for infrastructure and humanitarian aid.                       |
| 7  |                   | C. The MERCOSUR countries that will receive aid are Brazil, Argentina,                 |
| 8  |                   | Paraguay, Uruguay, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana, Peru, and                |
| 9  |                   | Suriname.  |
| 10 | SECTION 3.        | A. The Department of State and USAID shall be responsible for enforcing the            |
| 11 |                   | provisions of this bill.   |
| 12 |                   | B. If a country is found to be misusing the aid, the United States will implement      |
| 13 |                   | economic sanctions on the country.   |
| 14 | <b>SECTION 4.</b> | The provisions of this bill shall take effect 30 days after passage.                   |
| 15 | SECTION 5.        | All laws in conflict with the provisions of this bill shall be declared null and void. |

Respectfully submitted,

Riya Patel C. Leon King High School



### A Bill to Provide a Public Option

| 1  | BE IT ENACTE  | D BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:  |
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| 2  | SECTION 1.    | A public option for health insurance will be offered nationwide on the        |
| 3  |               | marketplace created by the Affordable Care Act.                               |
| 4  | SECTION 2.    | A public option will be defined as a publicly funded health insurance plan    |
| 5  |               | that will compete with private insurers to provide coverage for those         |
| 6  |               | ineligible for Medicare.  |
| 7  | SECTION 3.    | The Department of Health and Human Services shall be charged with             |
| 8  |               | implementation of this legislation.   |
| 9  |               | A. The public option shall be funded by a 0.1% financial transaction tax      |
| 10 |               | on high frequency trading.  |
| 11 |               | B. The Internal Revenue Services, in conjunction with the Securities          |
| 12 |               | Exchange commission, shall be charged with the implementation of              |
| 13 |               | the financial transaction tax.  |
| 14 | SECTION 4.    | This legislation shall go into effect immediately upon passage.               |
| 15 | SECTION 5.    | All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void. |
|    | Introduced fo | r debate by Christopher Patrick of Pine View School                           |



### A Bill to Repeal the Three Strikes Law

- 1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
- 2 **SECTION 1**. The Three Strikes Law shall be repealed from federal law.
- 3 **SECTION 2**. The Three Strikes Law shall be defined as the clause currently in effect
- 4 that sentences persons convicted in a court of the United States to life
- imprisonment after a serious violent felony if the person has previous
- 6 convictions of two or more serious violent felonies or one or more
- 7 serious violent felonies and one or more serious drug offenses.
- 8 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice shall be responsible for enforcing the
- 9 provisions of this bill.
- SECTION 4. The provisions of this bill shall take effect immediately upon passage.
- SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Jonathan Sullivan, Sarasota High School

### A Resolution to Eliminate Cash Bail

| 1  | WHEREAS,  | The cash bail system functions by allowing pre-trial defendants, who are not        |
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| 2  |           | released on their own recognizance, to post some amount of bail; and                |
| 3  | WHEREAS,  | People of color disproportionally receive higher bail amounts as well as an         |
| 4  |           | increased chance of being detained without bail; and                                |
| 5  | WHEREAS,  | By eliminating the cash bail system, low-risk pretrial defendants have the ability  |
| 6  |           | to get released without having to worry about the burden of posting bail; and       |
| 7  | WHEREAS,  | Lower-income Americans who cannot afford to stay in jail often plead guilty to      |
| 8  |           | crimes they did not commit in order to be released; and                             |
| 9  | WHEREAS,  | Bail inefficiently and unjustly detains people since the majority of defendants     |
| 10 |           | detained in jail are not convicted but awaiting trial; and                          |
| 11 | WHEREAS,  | The for-profit bail industry traps defendants unable to afford bail by establishing |
| 12 |           | required non-refundable fees whether the defendant flees or does not flee; and      |
| 13 | WHEREAS,  | It is for the common interest of all American citizens to ensure that the criminal  |
| 14 |           | justice system is fair and efficient; now, therefore, be it                         |
| 15 | RESOLVED, | That the Student Congress here assembled calls for the elimination of cash bail.    |
|    |           | Respectfully submitted,   |

Eric Xie Hillsborough High School



## A Resolution to Implement Sex Education in all Public High Schools

| 1 | WHEREAS,  | The United States has the most uneducated teens when it comes to sex     |
|---|-----------|--|
| 2 |           | education; and   |
| 3 | WHEREAS,  | Teens need to be aware of the correct healthy sexual decisions; and      |
| 4 | WHEREAS,  | Sex education can provide the correct knowledge for teens to prevent     |
| 5 |           | pregnancies, and STD breakouts in the teen age group; and                |
| 6 | WHEREAS,  | This education will also allow for a strong foundation to have a healthy |
| 7 |           | sex life in years to come; now, therefore, be it                         |
| 8 | RESOLVED, | By the Congress here assembled call to implement sex education in all    |
| 9 |           | public high schools.   |
|   |           |  |

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Johnna Bowden, Sarasota High School

#### A Resolution to Abolish Columbus Day as a Federal Holiday

- 1 WHEREAS, Columbus Day should not be a federal holiday; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Christopher Columbus is celebrated federally without public approval nor
- 3 representation; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Repealing Columbus Day would lead to greater representation of the people; now,
- 5 therefore, be it
- 6 **RESOLVED,** That the Student Congress here assembled calls for Columbus Day to be
- 7 abolished as a federal holiday.

Respectfully submitted,

Francis M. Garcia Southeast High School



### A Bill to Require Asimov's Three Laws of Robotics in all Future Artificially Intelligent Robots

- BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
- 2 **SECTION 1**. Asimov's three laws of robotics shall be programmed into all future
- 3 artificially intelligent robots.
- 4 **SECTION 2**. A. Asimov's three laws of robotics shall be defined as
- 1: A robot may not injure a human being or, through inaction, allow a
- 6 human being to come to harm.
- 2: A robot must obey orders given it by human beings except where such
- 8 orders would conflict with the First Law.
- 3: A robot must protect its own existence as long as such protection does
- not conflict with the First or Second Law.
- B. Artificial intelligence shall be defined as a computer that has the
- ability to learn without human input.
- 13 **SECTION 3.** The National Science Foundation shall be required to enforce the
- provisions of this bill.
- 15 **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this bill shall be enforced by January 1, 2020.
- **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Anthony Habas, Sarasota High School.



## A Bill to Provide Tax Incentives to Homeowners to Switch to Clean Energy Sources

- BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
- 2 **SECTION 1**. Tax incentives will be provided to all U.S. homeowners to switch to clean
- 3 energy sources for their homes.
- 4 **SECTION 2.** A. U.S. homeowners will be defined as the persons whose name is on the
- 5 deed/ title of the home.
- 6 B. Clean energy sources are defined as renewable resources that do not
- 7 use fossil fuels or any type of polluting energy. These clean energy
- sources include wind, solar, and hydro power.
- 9 C. The tax incentive will be defined as a reduction in property tax rates by
- 10 0.3%.
- SECTION 3. Each individual state tax collector shall be responsible for enforcing the
- provisions of this bill.
- SECTION 4. The provisions of this bill shall take effect January 1, 2020.
- **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Kylie Kauffman



### A Bill to Provide Foreign Aid to Djibouti

- 1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
- 2 **SECTION 1**. The United States shall provide \$500 million in developmental aid to
- 3 Djibouti.
- 4 **SECTION 2**. Developmental Aid shall be defined as financial aid to support the
- 5 economic, environmental, social, and political development of less
- 6 developed countries.
- 7 **SECTION 3.** USAID shall oversee the enforcement of this legislation.
- A. \$360 million shall be allocated to the pre-existing pilot WASH project
- 9 in Djibouti Department of Rural Hydraulics.
- B. \$140 million shall be allocated to the Power Africa, Workforce
- Development and the UN World Food Programme.
- **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect at the beginning of FY 2020.
- SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Noah Berg



### A Bill to Cut Funding to Saudi Arabia

- 1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
- 2 **SECTION 1**. In order to cut back unnecessary spending, all foreign aid to Saudi Arabia
- will be ceased.
- 4 **SECTION 2**. Foreign aid shall be defined as any contribution, whether it is in the form
- of money, food, water, or any other resource provided from the United
- 6 States to Saudi Arabia.
- 7 **SECTION 3.** The Department of State shall be responsible for the provisions of this
- 8 bill.
- 9 **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this bill shall take effect immediately upon passage.
- SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Kevin Steinfeld, Sarasota High School.



## A Bill to Ban the Use of High Fructose Corn Syrup in Foods and Beverages

- BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
- 2 **SECTION 1**. All U.S. food and beverage producers shall be required to eliminate the
- 3 use of high fructose corn syrup in their products.
- 4 **SECTION 2.** A. U.S. food and beverage producers shall be defined as business entities
- that specialize in the production and distribution of different foods and
- 6 beverages.
- B. High fructose corn syrup is defined as a sweetener made from corn
- starch that has been processed by glucose isomerase to convert some of
- 9 its glucose into fructose.
- SECTION 3. A. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) shall be responsible for
- the implementation of this bill.
- B. If a food producer fails to meet the standards set by this bill, then they
- will receive a \$10,000 fine.
- **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this bill shall take effect within 3 years of the passing of
- this bill.
- SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Alexander Stephan of Sarasota High School



# A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Ensure the Rights of LGBTQ+ People

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

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| 2             | RESOLVED,     | By two-thirds of the Congress here assembled, that the following article  |
| 3             |               | is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States,   |
| 4             |               | which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution  |
| 5             |               | when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states  |
| 6             |               | within seven years from the date of its submission by the Congress:   |
| 7             |               | ARTICLE   |
|               |               |   |
| 8             | SECTION 1.    | Citizens may not discriminate against people based upon sexual  |
| 8             | SECTION 1.    | Citizens may not discriminate against people based upon sexual orientation or gender identity including the denial of goods and services.   |
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| 9             |               | orientation or gender identity including the denial of goods and services.  |
| 9             |               | orientation or gender identity including the denial of goods and services.  Discrimination shall be defined as unfair or unequal treatment of an  |
| 9<br>10<br>11 | SECTION 2.    | orientation or gender identity including the denial of goods and services.  Discrimination shall be defined as unfair or unequal treatment of an individual (or group) based on certain characteristics |

Introduced for Congressional Debate by William Boutelle