

A Bill To Cease All Military Action Against Al-Shabaab

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** The U.S. will no longer send military forces to fight against Al-Shabaab.

2 **SECTION 2.** Al-Shabaab is a terrorist group in Somalia who has pledged allegiance to
3 Al-Qaeda.

4 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Defense will cease all military action against
5 Al-Shabaab.

6 A. All personnel and weapons currently being used against Al-Shabaab
7 will be transported back to the U.S, and transferred to the Defense
8 Logistics Agency.

9 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect March 1st 2019.

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

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Introduced for Congressional Debate by Randall K. Cooper High School (Senator Syed).

A Bill to Require High Schools to Provide Condoms to Students

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

2 **SECTION 1.** All public high schools in the US shall be required to provide condoms to students
3 through the school nurse.

4 **SECTION 2.** To be eligible to receive the condom, the student must go through a sex education
5 class. This bill will also require that all public schools have a nurse on staff.

6 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Health and Human Services shall be responsible for Section 1
7 of this bill, as they will distribute and enforce that all public high schools have the condoms
8 available. They will also be in charge of enforcing that every public school has a nurse on staff.
9 The Department of Education shall be responsible for Section 2 as they will write and provide
10 curriculum for the sex education class.

11 **SECTION 4.** \$2,000,000 shall be allocated to the Department of Health and Human Services
12 and \$1,000,000 shall be allocated to the Department of Education from the federal budget in
13 2019.

14 **SECTION 5.** This bill will come into effect on 08/01/19.

15 **SECTION 6.** All other laws and passages of Congress that conflict with this bill will be
16 considered null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Lafayette High School.

A Bill to Ban Non-Prescription Appetite Suppressants and Detox Products

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Section 1: The sale or importation of appetite suppressants and detox products without a prescription is hereby banned, whether over-the-counter or as a supplement.

Section 2:

- A. An ‘appetite suppressant’ is defined as any product claiming to cause or facilitate weight loss through curbing the user’s appetite.
- B. A ‘detox product’ is defined within the context of this bill as products claiming to contribute to weight loss by ‘detoxifying’ the user’s body of harmful substances.

Section 3: Enforcement of this law will be overseen by the Food and Drug Administration.

Section 4: This law will come into effect on January 1st, 2020.

Section 5: All laws in conflict with this legislation is hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for congressional debate by Abby Adams-Smith of Bowling Green High School

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Institute Nationwide Compulsory Voting

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

RESOLVED, By two-thirds of the Congress here assembled, that the following article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution one year after being ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states within ten years from the date of its submission by the Congress:

Article XXVIII

SECTION 1. Voting in federal elections shall henceforth be compulsory, with those who choose to violate this law being subject to a fine set by the Congress that shall never be in excess of \$250. Exceptions may be granted on the basis of illness, injury, and/or religious obligations.

SECTION 2. Election day shall henceforth be a federal holiday.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Lafayette High School.

A Bill Relating to Parental Incarceration

SECTION 1. The United States will give parental inmates convicted of any class misdemeanor or Class C or D felonies eligibility for in-home incarceration or outpatient care. Misdemeanors and felonies relating to the abuse and mistreatment of a child, domestic abuse of any kind, violent or sexual in any nature, or would pose a threat to public safety are excluded from this legislation.

SECTION 2. The United States has the highest rate of imprisonment of parents with 46%. The absence of a parent from their children's lives is detrimental to their upbringing and unfair to the child.

SECTION 3. The Federal Bureau of Prisons will enact and enforce this bill.

SECTION 4. The BOP will not require additional funding, as it costs over \$20,000 to imprison someone per year while it only requires \$6,000 to home incarcerate.

SECTION 5. This legislation will go in affect at the beginning of 2020.

SECTION 6. All other laws and/or passages of Congress that conflict with this bill will be considered null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Paul Laurence Dunbar High School.

A Bill to Re-Institute the Iran Nuclear Deal

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The United States will reinstate the Iran nuclear deal with all of its previously-established terms both on the United States and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

SECTION 2. By allowing the Iranian regime to manufacture a nuclear weapon, the United States is undermining the terms of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT). In order to maintain global peace, the United States, along with the United Nations, must prevent the Iranian government from obtaining a nuclear weapon. Nuclear weapons are defined as explosive devices whose destructive potentials derive from the release of energy that accompanies the splitting or combining of atomic nuclei.

SECTION 3. The United States Department of State will enact and enforce this bill.

SECTION 4. Failure to comply with the terms will result in the reinstallation of all sanctions back on the country of Iran.

SECTION 5. The government will bear no fiscal responsibility in the passing of this bill.

SECTION 6. This legislation will go into effect immediately upon passage.

SECTION 7. All other laws and/or passages of Congress that conflict with this bill will be considered null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Paul Laurence Dunbar High School.

A Bill to Regulate Ghost Guns and Correlating Parts

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

2 **SECTION 1.** This bill will regulate ghost guns and kits by eliminating loopholes with new
3 classifications and requirements.

4 **SECTION 2.** “Ghost Guns” are firearms without serial numbers that are often personally assembled.
5 They are a product of a loophole in federal law that allows unserialized and unregistered guns to be
6 completely legal and additionally untraceable by law enforcement. The correlating federal loopholes, Gun
7 Control Act of 1968 (GCA or GCA68) and 18 U.S.C. 922(o), (p) and (r); 26 U.S.C. 5822; 27 CFR
8 478.39, 479.62 and 479.105, must be addressed and evaluated for the welfare of the general public of the
9 United States.

10 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice (DOJ) and Department of Homeland Security (DHS) would
11 enforce the following: integrate the classification of unfinished lower receivers (80% receivers) and 80%
12 finished gun kits as firearms and thereby require background checks and serialization, the requirement of
13 all homemade gun owners must acquire serialization for their firearm, and the requirement of licensed
14 sellers to keep sales records of unfinished gun kits and components.

15 **SECTION 4.** This bill will come into effect months after passage.

16 **SECTION 5.** All other laws and passages of Congress that conflict with this bill will be
17 considered null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Lafayette High School.

A Bill Allowing Prisoners on Death Row to Become Organ Donors

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Section 1. With the thousands of people in need of an organ transplant everyday in the United States, prisoners will now have the capability to feel as if they're doing good before they pass on by having the opportunity before their death sentence to choose if they would be willing or not willing to donate their organs to those who are in need.

Section 2. Traditionally, organ transplants are done when someone dies in a fatal car crash, and the deceased victim registered themselves as an organ donor when they received their drivers license. However, it is evident that there is simply not enough donors for those in need of a transplant.

Section 3. The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) is the federal agency that will help in taking action in this bill.

Section 4. This shall take effect on January 5th, 2019.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Dixie Heights High School

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Repeal the 17th Amendment

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

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

ARTICLE 28

SECTION 1. The seventeenth article of amendment to the Constitution of the United States is hereby repealed and replaced with the following: “The Senate of the United States shall be composed of two senators from each state elected by the legislatures thereof, serving for six years; each senator will have one vote. The senators shall be nominated in any manner that the state finds appropriate. The electors in the state’s legislature shall be comprised of the maximum number chambers of that state’s legislature. If a vacancy were to occur in the state’s representation, the executive shall nominate a temporary replacement to be voted on by the state legislature. The temporary appointment shall remain in office until the next election by the state legislature. This amendment shall not be so construed as to affect the election or term of any Senator chosen before it becomes valid as part of the Constitution. The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Lafayette High School.

A RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE TAIWANESE INDEPENDENCE

Whereas, The Republic of China Taiwan is currently not recognized as a sovereign state; **and**

Whereas, The United States has an ethical obligation to support the sovereignty of democratic nations and interests such as Taiwan; **and**

Whereas, China is using its power in Asia and over Taiwan to leverage control over its trade with the United States; **and**

Whereas, China is using Taiwan as a tool to increase oppression within the South China Sea and harm United States interests; **and**

Be It Resolved, The United States will formally recognize The Republic of China Taiwan as a sovereign nation independent of China.

Respectfully Submitted by Samuel Chang

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A Resolution to Solitary Confinement in Prisons

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Whereas, Prisoners who are labeled as “unsafe” or “dangerous” are put into solitary confinement; however, it is being taken advantage of by the prisons.

Whereas, There’s a difference between giving someone space because they’re sick, and putting someone in a space for a long period of time, which has been proven to be unhealthy.

Whereas, Be it that solitary confinement is psychological torture and can make a prisoner even more sick than they already are.

Resolved, By this Congress that solitary confinement be banned in the United States and put all prisoners together in their age groups, of course.

Further Resolved, That solitary confinement be used only as necessary and never a default solution; if not used, as recommended.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Dixie Heights High School

A Bill to Implement a Tiered Corporate Tax System

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** A tiered system based on employee size will be put in place
2 to determine the corporate tax rate.

3 **SECTION 2.** A. A “small business” shall be defined as a business that
4 employs less than 50 workers. B. A medium sized business has between 51
5 and 249 employees. A large sized business has greater than or equal to 250
6 employees. A multinational corporation or worldwide enterprise is a
7 corporate organization that owns or controls production of goods or
8 services in at least one country other than its home country.

9 **SECTION 3.** The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) will oversee the
10 enforcement of this bill and allocate the revenue from the tax to the US
11 Department of Treasury.

12 A. Small businesses will be taxed at a rate of 15%.
13 B. Medium businesses will be taxed at a rate of 21%.
14 C. Large businesses will be taxed at a rate of 28%.
15 D. Multinational corporations will be taxed at a rate of 36%.

SECTION 4. This will go into effect at the start of the fiscal year 2019.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Ronit Patel

The African Infrastructural Achievement Act of 2020

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** Various economic policies will be enacted to strengthen
2 both the economic growth of and the United State’s relationship with Pan-
3 African region.

4 **SECTION 2.** The following investments will hereby be enacted:

- 5 A. 100 billion dollars per year will be invested to the Power Africa
6 program and restructure the program to favor investments in
7 sustainable energy and technologies. “Sustainable Energy” will be
8 defined further by the USAID after the passage of the legislation
9 B. 50 billion dollars will be invested into foreign aid towards Nigeria,
10 Cameroon, and Ethiopia, specifically to fund counter-terrorism efforts
11 through military assistance.

12 **SECTION 3.** The USAID will fund, implement, and enforce the proper
13 spending of all investments outlined in Section 2.

14 **SECTION 4.** This will go into effect at the start of the fiscal year 2020.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Rep. Christian Butterfield; Bowling Green High

A Resolution to Declare US Neutrality in the Yemeni Civil War

1 **Whereas**, past United States interventionism in Middle Eastern conflict has come at great cost to
2 our country, and has often made regional issues worse.

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4 **Whereas**, the Saudi-led coalition, which the United States has allied with heretofore, has used
5 weapons sold by the US to target children and civilians.

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7 **Whereas**, neither side in the Yemeni conflict is likely to ally with the United States at the war's
8 resolution, and so US interest does not justify our intervention.

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10 **Whereas**, killing civilians and inspiring terror is the antithesis of our national ideals.

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12 **Whereas**, continuing to be a participant in this conflict will damage our moral and diplomatic
13 authority around the globe.

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15 **Resolved**, the US shall declare itself a neutral party in the civil war in Yemen, and will not
16 provide or sell weapons to Saudi Arabia, the embroiled Yemeni government, or Yemeni Houthi
17 rebels.

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19 Introduced for Congressional Debate by Lafayette High School.