

# T-Bird Tempest

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# SESSION 1

## A Bill to Regulate Pharmaceutical Drug Prices

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1.** Pharmaceutical drug companies will now have to be regulated on their pricing.

Their prices will not exceed a 15% profit margin.

**SECTION 2.** Pharmaceutical drug companies are defined as any company that sales a drug that requires a doctor's note to use. Profit margins is defined as the amount by which revenue from sales exceeds costs in a business which includes research and development, employees costs, marketing, etc.

**SECTION 3.** The Food and Drug Administration will oversee the implementation of this bill.

**SECTION 4.** This will be in effect on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019

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

*Submitted by Preston Knutson of Grantsville High School.*

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by \_\_\_\_\_.*

## **A Resolution to Convert the United States to a Single-Payer Healthcare System**

**WHEREAS,** the healthcare crisis in the United States seemingly sees no end on its current course of action; and

**WHEREAS,** Social Security and other forms of alternative medicine payment such as Medicare and Medicaid are predicted to run out of sufficient funding; and

**WHEREAS,** without alternative payment many citizens in the lower and middle class will have no methods of receiving quality healthcare; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled that the United States Federal Government will progressively make the switch to a Single-Payer healthcare system by 2021, strictly emulating the Danish health care system.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Copper Hills High School*

## **A Resolution to Outlaw Direct-to-Consumer Prescription Advertisements**

1 WHEREAS, The United States is one of two countries in the developed world where  
2 direct-to-consumer (DTC) prescription drug advertisements are legal, which  
3 ultimately misinform consumers; and

4 WHEREAS, Spending on DTC prescription drug advertisements has increased 62% from  
5 2012 to 2017 and are ever more present in the media; and

6 WHEREAS, The FDA does not approve DTC prescription drug advertisements before they  
7 are broadcasted, yet 50% of consumers believe these advertisements are  
8 approved by the government, giving them false trust in the claims presented;  
9 and

10 WHEREAS, DTC advertising inflates demand for new and more expensive drugs, even  
11 when these drugs may not be appropriate and; now, therefore be it

12 RESOLVED, by the Congress here assembled that direct-to-consumer advertisements for  
13 prescription drugs will be illegal in any form.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Miramonte High School

## **A Resolution to Ban the Confederate Flag from Government Property**

- WHEREAS,** the Confederate Flag, also known as the Tennessee Battle flag, has been a symbol of hate since 1948; and
- WHEREAS,** the majority of states from the south have removed the flag from their own state flags; and
- WHEREAS,** the majority of the population doesn't support the flag on government grounds; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled that we take any sign of the Tennessee Battle flag, more commonly known as the Confederate flag, off of federal grounds, with the exception of educational purposes.

*Submitted by Preston Knutson of Grantsville High School.*

**SESSION 2**  
**A Resolution to Limit Civil Asset Forfeiture**

**WHEREAS,** The practice of civil forfeiture allows law enforcement to seize people's property without due process.

**WHEREAS,** Police nationwide have seized \$2.5 billion in cash from almost 62,000 people since 2001 without warrants or indictments.

**WHEREAS,** Many states have recognized this issue by implementing civil forfeiture reform and restrictions.

**WHEREAS,** Iowa has been a pioneer of limiting civil asset forfeiture

**RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled for local law enforcement agencies to receive federal funding they can only seize civil assets if the owner is first convicted in criminal court.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Clearfield High School*

## **A Resolution to Leave the United Nations**

**WHEREAS,** the United Nations is dangerously close to becoming a one-world government;  
and

**WHEREAS,** NATO is more effective than UN troops; and

**WHEREAS,** the Iraqi people have suffered greatly by UN economic sanctions; and

**WHEREAS,** the UN lacks any real substance of enforcement; and

**WHEREAS,** the United Nations has five nations that can veto any resolution that the  
majority of the U.N. members agreed upon; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled that we disband our ties with the United  
Nations; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** that we also recommend that the United Nations moves its  
headquarters outside the United States.

## **A Bill to Shut Down Guantanamo Bay**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1.** The Guantanamo Bay Detention Camp is now shut down.

**SECTION 2.** All prisoners located at the camp will be moved to federal prisons. Those who have yet to be convicted will undergo due process.

**SECTION 3.** Bureau of Federal Prisons shall work in joint with U.S. Navy to oversee enforcement of this bill.

**SECTION 4.** This shall take effect immediately.

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

*Submitted by Preston Knutson of Grantsville High School.*

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by \_\_\_\_\_.*



## **A Bill to Federally Abolish Plea Bargains**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 SECTION 1. The United States federal government will discontinue the practice of  
3 plea bargains in all criminal federal trials.

4 SECTION 2. A plea bargain is an agreement between the prosecutor and the  
5 defendant, which entails that the accused will plead guilty to the crime  
6 for a lesser sentence.

7 SECTION 3. This United States Department of Justice will oversee the enforcement of  
8 the bill.

9 SECTION 4. This law shall go into effect immediately upon passage.

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

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