

A Bill to Abolish the Legality of Government Shutdown

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. This bill will make government shutdowns illegal in order to keep all workers paid and the country fully functioning for the safety of the citizens in this nation.

SECTION 2. Making government shutdowns illegal would make all parts of the government fully functioning, consistently.

SECTION 3. This will be carried out by the United States Department of Homeland Security. Failure to follow this law will result in a fine of 50% of their salary from Congress and from the President. This fine will be used to pay workers who aren't being paid due to the shutdown.

SECTION 4. Implication of this bill will be upon passage.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Sayre Area School District.

A Resolution to Remove Tariffs on Turkey to Maintain Peace and Trade Affairs

1 WHEREAS, Turkey is currently imposing tariffs on goods from the United States and
2 threatens to further raise retaliatory tariffs against the United States; and

3 WHEREAS, The United States has contributed to a currency crisis in Turkey causing
4 their export market to struggle to maintain stability of their financial
5 sector; and

6 WHEREAS, The impact of severe stress will jeopardize the U.S-led anti-terrorist
7 coalition with Turkey; and

8 WHEREAS, If the United States fails to take action, we may risk a cohesive partnership
9 against terrorist groups and risk a drastic decrease in trade volume; now,
10 therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the Student Congress here assembled encourage the President to
12 maintain peace and trade affairs with Turkey by lifting tariffs on its goods.

Respectfully submitted,
State College Area High School

**A Bill to Mandate Plain Packaging for Cigarettes to
Decrease Smoking Rates**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Article I: The federal government will implement a plain packaging law for all individual packs and cartons of cigarettes sold in the United States.

Article II: Cigarette manufacturers will be required to package cigarettes in logo-free, dark brown packaging that contains an explicit warning on the dangers of smoking in a font that is at least twice the size of the brand name. No other text or images are permitted on the packaging.

Article III: This policy will go into effect on January 1, 2020.

Article IV: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) in coordination with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services will be responsible for implementing and enforcing this legislation.

Non-compliance with this policy will result in a temporary ban on the sale of that manufacturer's cigarettes at wholesale and retail locations until packaging requirements are met.

Article V: All other laws in conflict with this policy are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

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*Mikael LaCas
Representing Danville Area*

Diocese of Scranton

Social Media Speech Protection Act

1 **Section 1:** Social Media companies are hereby required to be politically
2 neutral in regards to speech on their platforms.

3 **Section 2:** If a social media platform offers monetization options for content, they
4 may not discriminate against creators or content based upon their speech

5 **Section 3:** Rules regarding removal from the platform for violating terms of
6 service, must be based upon infractions other than political views and
7 enforcements of infractions must be applied equally to all users.

8 **Section 4:** If a company removes or demonitizes a content creator unfairly, as to
9 infringe upon their freedom of speech they may be sued for damages in Civil
10 Court.

11 **Section 5:** Content Creators are only responsible for the content on the platform
12 and may not be removed for reasons unrelated to their actions upon that
13 platform, unless such actions violate US law.

14 **Section 6:** Laws in conflict with this are hereby null and void.

15 **Section 7:** This act will go into effect April 1st, 2019 and will be overseen by the
16 Federal Communications Commission.

Faithfully Submitted
Shikellamy High School

A Resolution to Enforce Climate Change Action

WHEREAS: In response to individuals and corporations who do not believe human activity is primarily responsible for global climate change and therefore the government should not take any action and

WHEREAS: denial does not change the fact that the future generation will have to live in the outcomes of global climate change and

WHEREAS: it would not deter the factual evidence that the specific type of CO₂ that is increasing in earth's atmosphere can be directly connected to human activity and will continue to do so until action is enforced and carried out and

WHEREAS: the penalty for failing to recognize and establish laws to reduce carbon emissions and protect natural resources to the fullest extent will fall upon our children therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Student Congress here assembled, that the federal government enforce urgent climate change action for the nation immediately.

Respectfully submitted
Towanda Jr./Sr. High School

A Bill to Abolish the Ban of Transgender Military Service

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. Transgender males and females with or without Gender Dysphoria shall have the right to join any branch of the United States Military. These individuals must meet the standardized age, educational, fitness, and health requirements of enlistment. They may not, however, be denied the opportunity to serve their country based on their identification as a gender that differs from their biological sex or the implication that they may pursue physical transition in the future.

SECTION 2. According to the American Civil Liberties Union, being transgender is the act of denoting or relating to a person whose sense of personal identity and gender does not correspond with their birth sex. Gender Dysphoria is the diagnosed conflict between a person's physical or assigned sex and the gender with which he/she/they identify.

SECTION 3. This legislation will be enforced by the executive branch of the Federal Government upon the United States military, Marine Corps, Army, Navy, Airforce, including the National Guard and Coast Guard. Individuals are protected under this law in the following contexts;

A. If they have gone under any transformation, they are permitted to serve in their preferred gender. In addition, persons diagnosed with Gender Dysphoria shall be allowed to serve in their preferred sex.

B. The act of allowing a transgender individual to go under transformation shall take place following after six years of military service and a continuation of military service thereafter.

SECTION 4. This legislation will take into effect immediately upon passage.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Representative Olivia Tate from Troy
Jr/Sr. High School*

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Implement Congressional Term Limits

- 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:**
- 2. RESOLVED: By two-thirds of the Congress here assembled, that the following article is**
- 3. proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which**
- 4. shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when**
- 5. ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states within seven**
- 6. years from the date of its submission by the Congress:**
 - 7. SECTION 1. The members of the United States House of Representatives and Senate will**
 - 8. have term limits imposed upon them. Henceforth, the House will have a**
 - 9. maximum of six terms and the Senate will have a maximum of three terms.**
 - 10. SECTION 2. Term limits shall be defined as a restriction upon the number of times one can**
 - 11. hold office in either the United States House of Representatives and the**
 - 12. Senate.**
- 13. a.) Any person who has acted as Senator for equal to or more than three years**
- 14. shall be unable to be elected more than two times.**
- 15. b.) Any person who has acted as Representative for more than one full year shall be**
- 16. unable to be elected more than five times.**
- 17. SECTION 3. This shall will effect as of the 2020 election process. All current**
- 18. Representatives and Senators that supersede the proposed limits will retain**
- 19. their office until they to up for re-election.**
- 20. SECTION 4. The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate**
- 21. legislation.**

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Lake-Lehman High School

A Bill to Abolish the Use of Capital Punishment

Be it enacted by the Congress here assembled that:

Section 1. Whereas, Capital Punishment, or the application of the death penalty, shall be discontinued in use from federal prisons in the United States of America because it is contrary to the protections afforded citizens from excessive and unusual punishment pursuant to the 8th amendment.

Section 2: Capital Punishment is the legally authorized killing of a person as punishment for a crime.

These crimes include some of the following but not limited to: capital murder, the 41 federal crimes, treason, ex...

Capital murder is murder that it involves special circumstances, such as killing a police officer or firefighter while on duty, or committing a crime while committing another serious felony like rape or kidnapping.

Federal prisons are prison facilities run by the Federal Bureau of Prisons (BOP). Prisoners housed in these facilities are under the legal authority of the federal government. This excludes private facilities under exclusive contract with BOP.

Section 3: This bill shall be enforced by the Department of Justice.

Section 4: Implementation of this bill it will begin January 1 of the new year

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Notre Dame of Green Pond

A Bill to Decriminalize Drug Use and Possession

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. A. Use of all narcotics and illicit substances shall be decriminalized.

B. Possession of up to a 10-day supply of narcotics or illicit substances shall be decriminalized.

C. Those who are found using narcotics or illicit substances or possessing up to a 10-day supply are to be offered but not mandated to accept support services by the state in which the offense occurred.

D. States that fail to comply with the above provision shall have all federal drug control funding cut.

SECTION 2. A. Narcotics and illicit substances shall be defined as a drug or other substance affecting mood or behavior and sold or used for nonmedical purposes.

B. Decriminalization shall be defined as the removal of criminal penalties.

C. Support services shall be defined as methadone programs, needle exchange programs, and rehabilitation services.

SECTION 3. The Drug Enforcement Agency shall oversee the enactment of this legislation.

SECTION 4. This legislation shall take effect January 1, 2020.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Cameron Hardy

Dallastown Area High School

A BILL TO REQUIRE A STUDENT COUNCIL IN ALL PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN THE UNITED STATES

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Article 1. There will be a Student Council in each public high school receiving funds from the United States federal government. Each Council will be the maximum student representation integrated by students of all the grades of the school and it will be supervised by a teacher designated by the school called the Official Council Adviser.

Article 2. Each grade will be having a Class Student Council composed of students chosen by their classmates among the most distinguished for their behavior and their performances in their classes as well. Every Class Student Council will consist on four main officers: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Article 3. The Class Presidents or Representatives from each grade will constitute the School's Student Council, from which one of them will be selected to be the school's Council President.

Article 4. There will be an Official Council Adviser, who will be a teacher designated by the School who will be supervising the duties of each member of the Student Council and serve as an advisor as well.

Article 5. The School Districts themselves will regulate the requirements for the members, their roles as officers, and the forms and procedures for their selection process.

Article 6. This bill will be in force the next school year after passage.

Article 7. The United States Department of Education will oversee this bill.

Article 8. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby considered null or void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Christian Hernández

E. L. Meyers High School

A Bill to Subsidize Contraception For All Women Ages 18 to 30

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Section 1. All women between the ages of 18 to 30 living in the United States will have free access to contraceptive pills.

Section 2. “Contraceptive pills” are to be defined as any drug in the tablet form which prevents pregnancy with little risk to the woman.

Section 3. Planned Parenthood, in coordination with the US Department of Health and Human Services, will be in charge of the implementation of this legislation. The US Department of Health and Human Services will allocate \$6 billion per year to Planned Parenthood in order to properly implement this legislation.

Section 4. This legislation will go into 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
Senator Cameron T. Hines
Representing Southern Lehigh High School*

**A BILL TO GIVE STATES FEDERAL FUNDS TO BE USED IN THE
FORMATION OF DRUG REHABILITATION PROGRAMS.**

BE IT ENACTED BY THIS CONGRESS ASSEMBLED HERE THAT:

SECTION 1: States will be granted federal funds to form and improve current drug rehabilitation programs for heroin and opioids.

SECTION 2: States will be given different amounts based on the percentage of deaths caused by heroin and opioid overdoses.

SECTION 3: A recent law was signed that will implement \$4 billion to combat opioid abuse in the nation.

SECTION 4: States will be required to show data of improvement in the decline of opioid and heroin overdoses, every 2 years to keep the funding.

SECTION 5: The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services shall oversee this bill.

SECTION 6: This bill shall go into effect immediately.

SECTION 7: All laws in conflict with this bill are hereby null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by

Austin Barto

Wallenpaupack Area High School