

Sunflower Congress 2019

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Bill #1
**Federal Highway Administration funding to adequately
address the needs of our crumbling infrastructure**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The United States Federal government should add 40 billion dollars in spending per year continuing for the next 25 years.

SECTION 2. The Federal Highway Administration would be the administrator of the plan.

A. The Federal Highway Administration would oversee all progress on infrastructure.

B. The Federal Highway Administration will create a list prioritizing projects based on public safety and efficiency.

C. The United States federal government would supply the additional funding.

SECTION 3. The plan would take course over 25 years, giving 40 billion dollars each year.

SECTION 4. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Bill #2

A Bill to Establish a Voting Holiday and Voter Rights

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The 2nd Tuesday in November will be established at a National Voting
3 Holiday on years that have National Elections. Automatic voter
4 registration at the age of 18 and mail in ballots for all National elections
5 will occur automatically.

6 **SECTION 2.** A **national holiday** is a day when people do not go to work or school and
7 government offices and banks are closed.

8 **SECTION 3.** The State Department will oversee the enforcement of the bill.

9 A. The national voting holiday information to the public.

10 B. The mailing of voter registration information to all 18 year old
11 citizens.

12 C. The mailing of mail in ballots to all Citizens.

13 **SECTION 4.** Implementation will be effective July 1st 2019.

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

Bill #3
A Bill to Decriminalize Marijuana and
Non-Violent Marijuana Related Crime

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Campus High School

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The United States federal government will remove marijuana from the Controlled Substances Act of 1970. Though states will retain their rights to make local laws, marijuana will be decriminalized for all U.S. citizens and resident immigrants.

SECTION 2. Decriminalization will be defined as no longer enforcing illegal status and refusal to utilize law enforcement resources on non-violent marijuana related crimes.

SECTION 3. Enforcement will be through the U.S. Department of Justice.

A. Upon passage of this bill, individuals currently incarcerated for non-violent marijuana related crimes will be release; those crimes will be expunged from criminal records.

B. Any non-violent marijuana related felons will immediately regain their voting rights without a wait period.

SECTION 4. Passage will be immediate, with a 12-month grace period for detention facilities to process and release eligible individuals.

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

Bill #4
A Bill to Establish an Office of Drug Manufacturing to
Increase Access to Generic Drug

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Campus High School

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The federal government will establish the “Office of Drug Manufacturing,” within the Department of Health and Human Services.

SECTION 2. This office will have the following duty(s):

- A. Determine what generic drugs are not being sold at a fair price or not available to the public despite being eligible for generic manufacturing.
- B. Enter into a contract with a company to produce generic drugs at a fair price;
or
- C. manufacture generic drugs to sell at a fair price.

SECTION 3. The Department of Health and Human Services will oversee this office with the following provisions;

- C. No former registered drug manufacturer lobbyist may be appointed to the be director of the office.
- D. Former drug manufacturer lobbyists may work for the office once they have been out of this job for 6 years.

SECTION 4. This office will be created immediately upon passage of the bill and the first drugs produced within 2 years of passage.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Andover High School

Bill #5

A Bill to Allow Individuals to Own Their Own Personal Data

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Individuals will own their own personal data:

3 A. Individuals will have the right to view all data a company has on
4 them, and remove any such data. The company does not have the
5 right to affect any agreements between the client and the company.

6 B. Companies may not discriminate against individuals who refuse to
7 give personal information.

8 C. Companies may not require personal data and must remain
9 transparent about which personal data is collected.

10 **SECTION 2.** This bill will be enforced and overseen by the Federal Communications
11 Commission. Any infractions will result in a \$100,000 fine per infraction,
12 and the companies will not be shielded from lawsuits by the victims.

13 **SECTION 3.** This bill will go into effect one year after being enacted.

14 **SECTION 4.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void

Bill #6

A bill to increase border security at the Canadian border

BE IT ENACTED THAT BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 That there be an increase in border funding and security for our border shared with the country of Canada.
- 2 Border Funding means an increase and spending for the protection of this border. Security means more personnel and/or better infrastructure (i.e. a wall).
- 3 The United States Customs and Border Protection will oversee this bill. The enforcement of this will be that congress will check every year for an increase of personnel and infrastructure.
- 4 This bill will be implemented immediately upon passing.
- 5 All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Bill #7

A Bill Requiring High School Mental Health Evaluations

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. A mental health evaluation will be administered in all public schools within the United States.

SECTION 2. All US public schools will be required to administer mental health evaluations to all students.

- (1) This bill would remove all students that failed the test and put them in new schooling institutions so they can get the help they need while maintaining the educational opportunities they have a right to.
- (2) To pay for the enactment of this bill this congress will increase the personal income tax rate to 42% on incomes over \$300,000.

SECTION 3. The bill for mental health will be enforced by the US Department for Education, the US Department of Health and Human Services, and the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

- A. The US Department of Health and Human Services will be in charge of administering all mental health evaluations.
- B. The US Department for Education and the US Department of Health and Human Services will then be in charge of establishing and running the new schooling institutions.
- C. The IRS will update the US tax code and enforce the new change.

SECTION 4. This bill will be implemented within six months of the passage.

SECTION 5. All other current tax codes and bills in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Bill #8
A Bill to Limit Domestic Surveillance in
Section 702 of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The FISA (Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act) Amendments Reauthorization Act of 2017 (S.139) will be repealed.

SECTION 2. Section 702 of the FISA Amendments Act will be changed to make its sole authority for domestic surveillance of information that is in the custody of an American company - requiring a warrant based on probable cause believing that a United States person is planning or is engaged in acts of terrorism to search gathered information.

SECTION 3. The House Judiciary Committee and the House Intelligence Committee will initiate a cooperative and complete audit of protocols and norms within FISA to ensure protection of domestic privacy rights. Their findings and recommendations will be presented before Congress – to make further changes to FISA, if they are found to be necessary.

SECTION 4. Implementation of this legislation and oversight will be performed by the Department of Justice.

SECTION 4. This bill will be implemented immediately upon its passage.

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

Bill #9

A Bill To End Government Shutdowns

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The United States Federal Government may no longer be permitted to enter a government shutdown caused by a failure to implement a federal budget.

SECTION 2. In the event that the Congress of the United States and/or the President of the United States fail(s) to approve a federal budget by the start of any future fiscal year:

- (1) This bill will serve as a perpetual Continuing Resolution that does not need Congressional or Presidential approval.
- (2) The federal budget from the fiscal year directly preceding the current fiscal year will automatically be approved as the budget that the United State Federal Government will operate on.
- (3) If Congress and/or the President failed to approve a federal budget in the previous fiscal year, the most recently approved budget will be approved as the new federal budget.
- (4) Any Appropriations Bills, Omnibus Bills, Continuing Resolutions, or other unspecified bills or resolutions that establish a federal budget that are approved by Congress and the President after a previous federal budget is re-implemented will void the previous budget and become the new federal budget.

SECTION 3. This bill will be enforced by the US Department of the Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

SECTION 4. A government shutdown will be defined as a cease in operations of the federal departments, agencies, and bureaus caused by a lack of approved funding by Congress and/or the President.

SECTION 5. A fiscal year will be defined as beginning on October 1 and ending on September 30.

SECTION 6. This bill will be implemented immediately upon passage.

SECTION 7. All other current tax codes and bills in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Bill #10
A Bill to Expedite the Fulfillment of the 2018 National Defense Authorization Act requirement to increase the Size of Naval Forces to 355 Ships

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

2. **SECTION 1.** The Congress shall authorize funding for construction, refitting, and

3. employment extension of ships necessary to meet the 2018 National Defense

4. Authorization Act

5. **SECTION 2.** “Refitting” shall refer to updating older/retired ships to operational

6. status. “Deployment extension” shall refer to postponing the planned

7. retirement of certain ships determined to be eligible.

8. **SECTION 3.** Enforcement shall be through the Department of Defense.

9. A. One (1) new carrier shall be constructed, to bring total carrier forces to

10. twelve (12).

11. B. Further recommendations for specific ships to be constructed, refitted

12. or for deployment extension shall be given by the Department

13. of the Navy.

14. **SECTION 4.** The law’s enactment shall be post dated to January 1, 2019. The target

15. number of 355 shall be reached by December 31, 2025.

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

Bill #11
A bill to limit the Terms that any member of congress can serve.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 That a limit be placed upon all members of congress on how many terms they can serve.
- 2 Limit here is defined to be 2 terms
- 3 This bill will be overseen by congress itself. It will also be enforced by Congress.
- 4 This bill will be implemented immediately upon passage of this bill.
- 5 All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Bill #12

A Bill to Build a Wall between the United States and Mexico to Stop Illegal Immigration

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Congress will authorize appropriate funding of a minimum of \$5.7 billion
3 dollars to build a wall between Mexico and the southern border of the
4 United States, to protect the American people, our way of life, and our
5 children;

6 **SECTION 2.** The wall will be built along the places where there are large border cities
7 currently without walls and most illegals enter the United States from
8 Mexico. The funding will be taken from the annual appropriations given
9 to Mexico (around \$350 million) and used to begin building the wall;

10 **SECTION 3.** The project will be overseen by Homeland Security and I.C.E. and they
11 will have adequate funding from Congress to enforce anyone who
12 trespasses;

13 A. Border patrol will be adequately funded and staffed.

14 B. Violators will be prosecuted by the Federal Government

15 **SECTION 4.** This will take effect within 60 days after Congress passes the Bill.

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

Bill #13
A Bill to Ban the use of Solitary Confinement within the
United States of America

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- SECTION 1.** The use of solitary confinement shall be banned in all prisons across the United States.
- SECTION 2.** The ban would affect all federal and private prisons, as well as all local and state correctional facilities.
- SECTION 3.** The Federal Bureau of Prisons would oversee the plan.
- A. In the instance that a prison fails to cooperate, federal funding would be cut until cooperation has been established.
 - B. The Federal Bureau of Prisons would oversee enforcement in prisons and report any institutions utilizing solitary confinement.
- SECTION 4.** Once passed, there would be a thirty day grace period in order to adapt to the new policies before enforcement begins.
- SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Submitted by Derby High School

R2 A Resolution to Support the Paris Agreement

- 1 **WHEREAS**, United States and world scientists agree that climate change is a real and serious phenomenon ; and
2 **WHEREAS**, the threat from climate change is both catastrophic and largely impacted by human progress; and
3 **WHEREAS**, As of November 2018, 195 United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change members have
4 signed the Paris Agreement and 184 have become party to it; and
5 **WHEREAS**, on June 1st 2017 the president of the United States Donald Trump proclaimed the United States would
6 withdraw from the Paris Agreement;
7 **WHEREAS**, the United States Climate Alliance was formed in support of the Paris agreement post US withdraw and
8 has 17 states and 1 US territory as members; and now, therefore, be it
9 **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that a public declaration of support for the Paris Agreement be
10 established and climate change be a consideration in all future legislation that could impact the environment.

Introduced by El Dorado High School.

R3 A Resolution to Abolish the Immigration Customs Enforcement (I.C.E.)

- 1 **WHEREAS,** Immigrants of color are targeted by I.C.E. more often than their “white” counterparts, creating
2 racial inequality and perpetuating racial profiling and a sense of “otherness”; and
3 **WHEREAS,** I.C.E. perpetuates human trafficking and sexual violence, causing victims to be afraid to report
4 crimes for fear of being detained and deported; and
5 **WHEREAS,** I.C.E. has committed many human rights violations by subjecting individuals to inhumane
6 conditions, denying access to healthcare and council, and other such mediums; now, therefore, be
7 it
8 **RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled that the United States federal government will abolish the
9 Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

Introduced by Campus High School

R4 A Resolution to Institute Term Limits on Supreme Court Justices

- 1 **WHEREAS,** U.S. Supreme Court is the only judicial branch of government in a modern
2 democracy that permits lifetime appointment for Justices; and
- 3 **WHEREAS,** each Justice has enormous power over the American political landscape –
4 given their limited numbers and lifetime tenure; and
- 5 **WHEREAS,** recent confirmation proceedings of Supreme Court Justices have become
6 political theatre for partisan bickering; and
- 7 **WHEREAS,** some Presidents are lucky enough to get one or more nominees to the
8 Court and some Presidents do not get anyone to the Court; and
- 9 **WHEREAS,** political gridlock by Congress and voters has shifted more importance on
10 the Judicial branch to interpret and enact public policy; and
- 11 **WHEREAS,** lifespans of Americans – including our Supreme Court Justices – have
12 dramatically improved since the writing of the Constitution; and
- 13 **WHEREAS,** bipartisan support exists for term limits for Supreme Court Justices now,
14 therefore, be it,
- 15 **RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled that the United States Constitution
16 should be properly amended to institute 18-year term limits for Supreme
17 Court Justices.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Wichita East High School

R5 A Resolution to Support the “Right to be Forgotten”

1. **WHEREAS**, ongoing changes to technology, society, and legal precedent have eroded
2. expectations and protections of privacy; and
3. **WHEREAS**, the collection and commodification of people's personal information and
4. data, often without consent, has increased exponentially in recent years;
5. and
6. **WHEREAS**, the safety of users and others data held by private firms has been
7. compromised multiple times; and
8. **WHEREAS**, people's lives are being permanently affected by petty crimes, minor and
9. major social media mishaps, and deliberate attempts to slander a person
10. that can appear alongside their names in online search results; and
11. **WHEREAS**, other governments have already begun to codify and support laws and
12. policies aimed at correcting these practices; therefore, be it
13. **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that the Right to be Forgotten should be
14. supported in future legislation, especially in relation to the collection of data by private
15. and public entities .

R6 A Resolution to Support the Reduction of Arms Sales

1. **WHEREAS**, Direct Commercial Sales and Foreign Military Sales of weapons have;
2. Increased under the Trump Administration; and
3. **WHEREAS**, these activities hamper the United States' ability to effectively address
4. foreign policy concerns;
5. and
6. **WHEREAS**, the proliferation of weapons in foreign countries can put American
7. interests at risk; and
8. **WHEREAS**, recently, the Saudi government was able to kill an American resident
9. with impunity due to our reliance on the sale of weapons
10. to that country; and
11. **WHEREAS**, shifting alliances make weapons sales harmful to our foreign
12. policy interests; therefore, be it
13. **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that the process of approving
14. the Direct Commercial Sale or Foreign Military Sale of weapons to foreign countries be
15. revised to limit risks to national security.

R7 A Resolution to Support Gender Neutral Bathrooms

1. **WHEREAS**, single occupancy bathrooms are generally labeled as “men’s” or;
2. “women’s”; and
3. **WHEREAS**, this labeling creates situations where gender non-conforming
4. And transgender individuals are stigmatized and threatened; and
5. **WHEREAS**, labeling single occupancy bathrooms as gender neutral would
6. benefit all individuals not only transgender individuals; and
7. **WHEREAS**, changing bathroom signs would be a first step toward
8. ending stigmatization of gender non-conforming and transgender
9. individuals; and
10. **WHEREAS**, changing bathroom signs on single occupancy restrooms would be
11. Low cost and easily implemented; therefore, be it
12. **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that all single occupancy
13. Restroom signs be changed to “Gender Neutral.”

