

A RESOLUTION TO ADDRESS THE NATIONAL DEBT

1. WHEREAS The national debt has risen exponentially to over \$23 trillion (as of December 2019)
2. WHEREAS The budget has not been balanced since 1998.
3. WHEREAS If we do not take action, this will significantly impede opportunities for future generations of Americans
4. WHEREAS Article 6, Clause 2 states: This Constitution, and the Laws of the United States which shall be made in Pursuance thereof; and all Treaties made, or which shall be made, under the Authority of the United States, shall be the supreme Law of the Land; and the Judges in every State shall be bound thereby; any Thing in the Constitution or Laws of any State to the Contrary notwithstanding.
5. WHEREAS Article 4, Clause 2 states: The Congress shall have Power to dispose of and make all needful Rules and Regulations respecting the Territory or other Property belonging to the United States; and nothing in this Constitution shall be so construed as to Prejudice any Claims of the United States, or of any particular State.
6. WHEREAS Montana currently ranks 49th in GDP and is a border state and hold relatively nothing of value that could not be removed
7. THEREFORE As the Federal Congress of the United States, we reserve the right to sell states in order to address an impending national crisis
8. THEREFORE be it resolved that in order to reduce the national debt, The United States will auction off the state of Montana to a group of prescreened bidders.

Respectfully submitted,

Peters Township High School

A Bill to Repair Relations with Russia

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. All sanctions and actions taken toward Russia between 2017 and 2020 are hereby reversed.

SECTION 2. Sanctions may include economic sanctions, military sanctions, change of favored nation status, expulsion of diplomats, and other actions designed to force Russia to act in a certain way or punish them for actions they may have taken.

SECTION 3. The Department of State will oversee the normalization of relations with Russia and insure that all previously taken actions are reversed.

SECTION 4. This will take effect on February 1, 2020.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Upper St Clair High School.

A Bill to Allow Prosecution of US Presidents During their Terms in Office

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. In the case of wrongdoing, the president shall be prosecuted in a court of law.

SECTION 2. Wrongdoing refers to the breaking of any law both federal and state. This can involve crimes committed before or during the President's term

SECTION 3. The Department of Justice will oversee the enforcement and implementation of this bill, along with the process of the trial.

The Department of Justice will be able to choose the judge and trial date.

SECTION 4. This bill shall take effect on January 1, 2020

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

Respectfully submitted,

North Allegheny

A Resolution to Move Above-Ground Cables to Below-Ground.

Whereas underground cables are less likely to electrocute workers or the general public

Whereas communities with underground cables have higher property values

Whereas all of Europe has underground wires and they have very few problems, while Americans have billions of hours of power outages each year due to problems with above ground wiring. Germany has fewer than 21 minutes per year in outages to its power grid

Whereas power lines falling and killing people in our country is far more common than it should be.

Power line workers have one of the most dangerous jobs in our country

Whereas trees are frequently trimmed around power lines in such a way to decrease property values even more

Whereas the biggest argument against moving cables underground will be cost, but in the long run, the cost will benefit consumers by higher home values and fewer deaths.

Whereas the number of jobs that will be created to do these jobs will be an economic boom in our state

Therefore be it resolved by the congress here assembled that all above ground cables will be changed to underground wires in an eight-year schedule. All new developments must put in underground cables.

Respectfully submitted,

North Allegheny

A BILL TO REQUIRE ADHD TESTING TO BENEFIT**PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS, FAMILIES, AND COMMUNITIES**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Public schools in the United States must hereby require that all third, sixth, and
3 ninth-grade students complete age-appropriate ADHD assessments. Results
4 will be delivered to students' parents/legal guardians and will not be made public
5 record without parental consent.

6 **SECTION 2.** Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) is a brain disorder marked by
7 an ongoing pattern of inattention and/or hyperactivity-impulsivity that interferes
8 with functioning or development. Age-appropriate assessments will reflect
9 contemporary best practices as promoted by the American Psychological
10 Association (APA).

11 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Education (DOED) and the National Institute of Mental
12 Health (NIMH) will be responsible for implementing this bill.

13 **A.** DOED will develop the necessary infrastructure and assist states with
14 implementation; NIMH will coordinate efforts to train school personnel to
15 administer the assessments.

16 **B.** The Department of Health and Human Services will manage funding.

17 **SECTION 4.** Upon passage of this bill, states and school districts will begin preparation and
18 training. Testing will begin in the fall of the 2025 school year.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Northwest Rankin High School

A Bill to Grant Parents/Guardians an Informed Choice and Authority Regarding Their Child's Selection of Literature from their Public School's Library

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Section 1. Public school libraries will identify books and all other literature in their current and future circulation which contain mature material. Literature containing mature material will be rated to indicate the level of frequency, intensity and severity of mature material. Parents/Guardians are given authority to grant or to deny to their minor child/children access to check out such material and may grant or deny complete access or may grant limited access to such material according to given ratings. Parents may additionally grant or deny access to specific literature from the library when requested by a teacher for classroom use if the literature otherwise would fall outside of a child's access currently authorized by a parent.

Section 2. Mature material is defined as containing one or more of the following: profanity, violence, gore, mature humor, sexual content, nudity and use of drugs.

Section 3. The Department of Education shall establish ratings to be used in identifying literature containing mature content, and enforce the use

- A. The Department of Education shall establish a database to identify books with mature content. This database will be available publicly, so that both public schools and parents have access to the information contained therein.
- B. The school must solicit a response from each child's parent or guardian at least once a year as to the level of access granted or denied to literature containing mature material.
- C. Parents have the authority to change the level of access granted or denied at any point in the school year and shall do so by the submission of a written form to the school office.

SECTION 4. The Department of Education shall establish and develop the database no later than January 1, 2021. All public schools shall be in compliance with this law no later than September 1, 2022.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Hampton High School

**A RESOLUTION TO INVESTIGATE THE MYSTERIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES
SURROUNDING JEFFREY EPSTEIN'S DEATH**

- 1 **WHEREAS,** Jeffrey Edward Epstein was arrested under suspicion of sex trafficking of
2 minors; and
3 **WHEREAS,** he evaded monitoring whilst under suicide watch during his incarceration; and
4 **WHEREAS,** prison staff were negligent of their duties over a high-profile target; and
5 **WHEREAS,** camera footage either has not been released to the public or does not exist; and
6 **WHEREAS,** evidence proving suicide was the cause of death is sparse, if not weak; and
7 **WHEREAS,** there is reasonable suspicion on the contrary; and
8 **WHEREAS,** a potentially significant amount of other high-profile citizens could be
9 committing similar crimes to his; now, therefore, be it
10 **RESOLVED,** by the Congress here assembled that the Oversight and Reform Committee shall
11 be instructed to thoroughly investigate the circumstances of his death; and, be it
12 **FURTHER RESOLVED,** that all legislative assets shall cooperate with the investigation as
13 requested by Oversight and Reform

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Petal High School

A BILL TO LIMIT QUALIFIED IMMUNITY FOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

- 1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
- 2 **SECTION 1.** Officials in political office and police/military personnel shall receive the same
3 treatment as ordinary citizens when under accusation of a discretionary action.
- 4 **SECTION 2.** Legal misconduct must be identified from clearly established law in all cases
5 towards officials that involve basic human rights and civil rights.
- 6 **SECTION 3.** Officials should be held to higher standards in the sense that their power is
7 balanced with the ordinary citizen; their high power is met with their high
8 responsibility.
- 9 **SECTION 4.** Courts are to interpret law separately from the binding precedent known as
10 qualified immunity, rather than interpreting laws based on the factor of
11 qualified immunity, which creates case law. The Department of Justice would
12 oversee the changes.
- 13 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Desoto Central High School

A Bill to Ban Fossil-Fuel Powered Vehicles by 2040

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1: For the purposes of this Act, a “fossil-fuel powered vehicle” will be any automobile which is powered by petroleum gasoline or diesel fuel, even if that fuel is supplemented by electric or hydrogen power.

SECTION 2: Authorities of the states and the District of Columbia are prohibited from issuing original registrations for any fossil-fuel powered vehicle.

SECTION 3: Section 2 of this Act excludes all vehicles which were legally registered in any state or the District of the Columbia prior to the effective date of this legislation.

SECTION 4: All vehicle manufacturers and dealers must notify customers of the provisions of this Act, and customers are required to provide written recognition of notification prior to the finalization of any vehicle sale.

SECTION 5: The Secretary of Transportation is empowered to enforce this legislation by appropriate action, including the nullification of registrations.

SECTION 6: All conflicts with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

SECTION 7: This legislation shall be effective on July 1, 2039.

Respectfully submitted,

Bishop Canevin High School