

Congress Bills – Peninsula Invitational

Round 1

A Bill to Break Up Amazon.com

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2. **SECTION 1.** Amazon.com shall be broken up in compliance to the Department of
3. Justice Competition and Monopoly: Single-Firm Conduct Under Section 2 of the
Sherman Act; Chapter 1 rule.
4. **SECTION 2.** Due to Amazon.com evolvement into the media and technology industry,
5. the electronic commerce company Amazon.com shall be broken up to be
6. in compliance to the Department of Justice Competition and Monopoly:
7. Single-Firm Conduct under Section 2 of the Sherman Act; Chapter 1 rule.
8. **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice, Antitrust division, shall be allowed complete
9. independent oversight over the investigation and potential break up of
10. Amazon.com following a two-year investigatory period.
11. **SECTION 4.** This bill shall take affect upon the completion and recommendation of
12. the Department of Justice Antitrust division no later than January of 2024
13. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Alhambra High School

A RESOLUTION TO FREE AMERICA FROM POVERTY

1 **WHEREAS**, the rise of automation and artificial intelligence has eliminated millions of
2 jobs, including in the agricultural sector, and is set to eliminate a third of
3 American jobs by 2030, and

4 **WHEREAS**, 40 million Americans live in poverty, disproportionately in rural areas,
5 and 78% of Americans live paycheck to paycheck. Additionally the labor
6 force participation rate has fallen to 63.2% while tech corporations have
7 paid as little as 0% in income taxes; and

8 **WHEREAS**, poverty is linked with several devastating consequences such as food
9 insecurity, poor nutrition which can make medical care more challenging,
10 the opioid epidemic, and decreased life expectancy; now, therefore, be it

11 **RESOLVED**, that a Value Added Tax (VAT) of 10% be implemented on tech companies
12 benefiting the most from new innovations; and, be it

13 **FURTHER RESOLVED**, that 100% of the VAT will fund a dividend of \$1000 a month
14 for every American citizen ages 18 to 64, not subject to any tax,
15 regulation, or reporting requirements.

Submitted for debate by West Torrance High School

Round 2

A BILL TO TAX THE GROSS PROFITS OF NATIVE AMERICAN CASINOS

MONEY COLLECTED THROUGH THE FEDERAL TAXATION OF
NATIVE AMERICAN CASINO REVENUE WILL, DIRECTLY AND ONLY, SUPPORT
SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT PROGRAMS ON NATIVE AMERICAN RESERVATIONS

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2. **SECTION 1:** Through the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988, which protects tax-exempt
3. Indian gaming establishments that generates revenue for Native American tribes, Congress shall
4. impose a 5% federal tax on all gross earnings of Native American casinos. Proceeds from this
5. federal tax will go directly to Native American tribes to increase funding of reservation-based
6. substance abuse treatment programs.
7. **SECTION 2.** "Indian Gaming" is defined for the purposes of this bill as Class III gaming according
8. to the National Indian Gaming Commission (N.I.G.C. at Dept. on the Interior) which includes any
9. and all forms of gaming as defined under Class III gaming, including games occurring at and being
10. played at casinos including baccarat, blackjack, craps, poker, roulette, slot machines as well as any
11. and all electronic facsimiles and wagering games of any game of chance. Not to be taxed are
12. N.I.G.C.-defined Class I gaming (traditional Indian gaming that may be part of tribal
13. ceremonies/celebrations as well as community-based social gaming for minimal prizes) and Class II
14. gaming (bingo, bingo-like contests, instant bingo, pull tabs, punch board and tip jars). Only Class III
15. gaming revenue will fall under the intent and actions of this bill.
16. **SECTION 3.** The tax will be levied and collected by the N.I.G.C. with the proceeds from said
17. taxation administered by the Indian Health Services (I.H.S. at Dept. of Health and Human
18. Services) and the Bureau of Indian Affairs (B.I.A. at Dept. of the Interior). Agent of enforcement
19. will be the N.I.G.C.
20. **A.** In 2016, the N.I.G.C. estimated that, nationwide, Native American-owned and -operated
21. gaming establishments generated \$29.9 billion in 2015, a 5% increase over the \$28.5 billion
22. generated in 2014. A 5% taxing of Class III Indian gaming profits could generate almost \$1.5
23. billion to combat Native American substance abuse.
24. **B.** Annually, 12% of the deaths among Native Americans and Alaska Natives are alcohol
25. related. Alcohol-related deaths among Native Americans are estimated to be four times more
26. common as in the general US population, with Native American alcohol abused contributing fatally
27. to falls, homicide, liver disease, suicide and traffic collisions. Severe substance abuse is also a
28. serious and ongoing contributing factor in the extensive incidents of domestic violence on Native
29. American reservations.
30. **SECTION 4.** Taxation of gross Indian gaming revenue will begin in the 2020-2021 fiscal year.
31. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly Hills High School

A Bill to Reinstate the Fairness Doctrine

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. **SECTION 1.** The Fairness Doctrine will be re-implemented by the FCC as a governing
2. policy.
3. **SECTION 2.** The Fairness Doctrine shall be defined as the policy abolished by the FCC
4. In 1987 that was primarily concerned with the news media providing a variety of
5. viewpoints on any given topic.
6. **SECTION 3.** The FCC will oversee implementation of this legislation.
7. A. Any necessary funding will be drawn from the budget of the FCC.
8. **SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect three months after passage.
9. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Submitted by La Costa Canyon High School

Round 3

A Bill to Fund Fair Presidential Elections

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. **SECTION 1.** The Presidential Election Campaign Fund Act shall be amended to
2. include all presidential candidates from parties that received at least 1% of the popular
3. vote in the previous presidential election. In addition, major party candidates who
4. have received at least 5% of their parties vote in the primary shall be eligible for funds.
5. **SECTION 2.** The Presidential Election Campaign Fund Act shall be defined as “26
6. U.S. Code § 9001 et seq.” Major party shall be defined as “a political party whose
7. candidate for the office of President in the preceding presidential election received, as
8. the candidate of such party, 25 percent or more of the total number of popular votes
9. received by all candidates for such office”
10. **SECTION 3.** The Federal Elections Commission and the Internal Revenue Service
11. shall oversee the implementation of the legislation.
12. **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.
13. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Hawken School

Reintroduced for Congressional Debate by Dougherty Valley High School

A Bill to Regulate Social Media Usage at the Risk of Data Mining

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Rising social media platforms, are at risk of data mining as
3 unregulated or checked corporations own these platforms and do
4 not expel clear terms and conditions.

5 **SECTION 2.** Data Mining is defined as the practice of examining large
6 databases in order to generate information on user profiles that can be used for
7 the corporation's benefit. Data mining puts national security and individual
8 privacy at risk as it has been used to interfere in previous presidential elections.

9 **SECTION 3.** This bill will be enforced by the National Security Agency.

10 **SECTION 4.** This bill will be implemented in May 2021 as to not interfere
11 with the 2020 election cycle.

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

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15 *Submitted by Mission Vista High School*

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Final Round

A Bill to Regulate the Environmental Protection Agency

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2. **SECTION 1.** Congress shall have the authority to regulate the Environmental
3. Protection Agency thorough use of oversight committees and
4. congressionally implied power of governmental and policy oversight
5. **SECTION 2.** Congress Committees shall be defined as the creation of a new standing
6. or joint committee to assess and evaluate any new policies created by
7. the Environmental Protection Agency.
8. **SECTION 3.** The Environmental Protection Joint Committee as created in section two
9. shall have full oversight of the Environmental Protection Agency and the
10. ability to remove any implied bureaucratic, Quasi-Legislative power
11. previously enjoyed by the Environmental Protection Agency
12. **SECTION 4.** This Bill shall take effect upon passage of the bill.
13. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Alhambra High School

A Bill to Regulate Aid to Promote Haitian Independence

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. **SECTION 1.** All companies functioning in Haiti using United States Agency for Aid
2. (USAID) are required to:
3. **SECTION 2.**
4. A. Compose Haitian citizens as at least 50% of their workforce operating in the
5. country
6. B. Ensure that at least 25% of the payroll is given to Haitian citizens.
7. **SECTION 3.** The compliance of this bill will be overseen by the USAID.
8. **SECTION 4.** This legislation will be implemented December 31, 2020.
9. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Dougherty Valley High School

A Bill to Ban Quantum Computing Research to Avoid the Creation of Dangerous Artificial Intelligence

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT

1. **Section 1.** All Quantum Computing Research must cease by December 31st of 2022 and
2. all research archived, with a copy provided to the government,
3. **Section 2.** Quantum Computing Research shall be defined as any research pertaining to
4. creating a computer that makes use of the quantum states of subatomic
5. particles to store information.
6. **Section 3.** A new Bureau named the Bureau of Technology will be created to assess
7. threats such as quantum computing. to make recommendations to Congress
8. for such things, as well as to regulate bans on dangerous technology. This
9. Agency shall be fully staffed and functioning by December 31st of 2020. This
10. Department shall be established by merging the technology sections of the
11. Office of Management and Budget (OMB), the Office of Science and
12. Technology Policy (OSTP), the National Science Foundation (NSF), the
13. National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST).
14. **Section 4.** This ban shall be fully implemented by December 31st of 2025. Any
15. company or business found conducting quantum computing research
16. thereafter will be investigated and heavily fined.
17. **Section 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and
18. void.

Submitted by La Costa Canyon High School