

East Congress
Fargo Davies

A Resolution that the United States accede to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) without reservations

Whereas: The United States needs the legitimacy fgained by accession to combat China's expansion into the South China Sea; and

Whereas: UNCLOS does not interfere with the US' goals; and

Whereas: The US is unable to maintain maritime peace solely through hard power; and

Whereas: The US currently demands that its allies subject themselves to rules based international law without sibmitting itself to those same laws; and

Therefore be it resolved....

East Congress
Devils Lake High School

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Impose Term Limits on Supreme Court
Justices

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION TO IMPOSE TERM LIMITS ON
SUPREME COURT JUSTICES

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

RESOLVED, By two-thirds of the Congress here assembled, that the following article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the constitution when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states within seven years from the date of its submission by Congress:

ARTICLE XXVIII

SECTION 1. Supreme Court Justices shall have a term of nine years. In the case of removal or death of a Justice from the court during their term, the President may appoint another Justice to serve the remainder of the term. However, No Justice may serve more than 14 years.

SECTION 2. The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

Introduced for Congressional Debate

East Congress
Dickinson

A Bill to Make Voting Mandatory

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. All eligible United States citizens shall hereby be required to vote in all general federal and general state elections.

SECTION 2. To vote is to cast an official ballot.

SECTION 3. The justice Department and the Election Assistance Commission shall be tasked with the implementation of this act.

A. There shall be an allocation of 250 million dollars for the enforcement of this act. 150 million will be distributed to states to cover costs of elections, while 50 million will be used to increase the accessibility to voting.

B. Employers shall be mandated to provide up to 3 hours of paid time off on election day.

C. The penalty for not voting shall be a \$100 fine. Funds generated by this fine will be added to the election accessibility allocation.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect for the following November after it is signed into effect.

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

East Congress
Trinity

A RESOLUTION THAT NORTH DAKOTA ADOPT THE THREE STRIKE LAW THAT
MANDATES A SENTENCE OF 25 YEARS TO LIFE FOR A THIRD FELONY

WHEREAS: California reported crime had decreased by half of the current amount since 1994; and,

WHEREAS: According to the Bureau of Justice Statistics, 77% of all inmates are arrested again within 5 years; and,

WHEREAS: Based on information provided by the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR)-formerly the Department of Corrections, 44 percent of all inmate strikers were convicted of a serious or violent current offense; and,

THEREFORE: Be it resolved...

East Congress
Bismarck

A RESOLUTION THAT THE UNITED STATES FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FUND
LEGAL SUPERVISED DRUG INJECTION FACILITIES

Whereas: As reported by NPR in 2018, "At least 100 supervised injection sites operate around the world, mainly in Europe, Canada and Australia. Typically, drug users come in with their own drugs and are given clean needles and a clean, safe space to consume them. Staff are on hand with breathing masks and naloxone, the overdose antidote, and to provide safer injection advice and information about drug treatment and other health services."

East Congress
Dickinson

A Bill that the U.S. Government Allocate Funds to Alternative Medicines

BE IT ENACTED BY CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. \$5 Billion shall be annually allocated to four research facilities in order to research alternative medicines to develop safer and more cost-effective medical treatments.

A.) \$2 Billion shall be allocated to the National Institute of Health.

B.) \$1 Billion shall be allocated to Bristol-Myers Squibb.

C.) \$1 Billion shall be allocated to Celgene.

D.) \$1 Billion shall be allocated to Vertex.

SECTION 2. "Alternative medicine" shall be defined as any range of medical treatments that are used instead of traditional (mainstream) therapies. Alternative medicine may also be referred to as "integrative" or "complementary" medicine. "Safer medical treatment" shall be defined as treatments that minimize short and long-term damage to treated individuals, specifically, but not limited to, treatments to counter habit-forming treatments like opioids. "Cost-effective medical treatments" shall be defined as treatments that minimize cost while not lowering the overall effectiveness of the treatment.

SECTION 3. The allocation of these funds shall be overseen by the Department of Treasury, while the Department of Health and Human Services shall oversee the spending.

SECTION 4. The funds included in this bill will be allocated starting in fiscal year 2020 and shall be administered on an annual basis.

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

East Congress
Richardton-Taylor High School

A RESOLUTION THAT THE UNITED STATES LEND THE MEXICAN GOVERNMENT
MORE FUNDING AND PERSONNEL TO SUPPORT MEXICO IN ITS WAR AGAINST
THE DRUG CARTELS

WHEREAS: The Mexican government has proven ineffective in fighting drug violence from corruption within its own ranks; and,

WHEREAS: The current level of material support being lent by the United States to Mexico has not been enough to restrain the drug cartels; and,

WHEREAS: Clashes between drug cartels and the Mexican government have become increasingly destructive; and,

WHEREAS: Violence related to the cartels has already begun to spill over into boarder states such as Texas and New Mexico

THEREFORE: BE IT RESOLVED...

East Congress
Valley City High School

A RESOLUTION THAT QUALIFIES STUDENTS WITH A C AVERAGE INSTEAD OF A C FOR EVERY CLASS AND LOWERS THE REQUIRED ACT SCORE TO 22 FOR THE NORTH DAKOTA ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP TO BETTER HELP A BIGGER PORTION OF ND STUDENTS WITH HIGHER EDUCATION NEED

WHEREAS: Students may have had a good GPA throughout high school but had trouble in a certain class resulting in a D for a semester; and,

WHEREAS: The average ACT score for 2017-2018 in North Dakota was 19.6, where the requirement for the scholarship is currently 24; and,

WHEREAS: This scholarship is not doing enough to serve the students of North Dakota; and,

THEREFORE: Be it resolved...

East Congress
Dickinson

The Arm an Ally Bill (TAAB)

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS ASSEMBLED HERE THAT:

SECTION 1. The U.S. shall give notice to representatives of Japan of our intention to withdraw from the Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security, effectively permitting Japan to amend article nine of its constitution.

SECTION 2. "Intention to withdraw" shall be defined as leaving the Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security as outlined in Article X of said treaty.

SECTION 3. The President of the United States will formally notify Japan of this legislation.

SECTION 4. This legislation shall take effect one year after the date it is affirmed.

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

East Congress
Richardton-Taylor High School

A RESOLUTION THAT THE UNITED STATES BAN THE SALE, DISTRIBUTION, AND
OWNERSHIP OF AUTOMATIC AND SEMI-AUTOMATIC ASSAULT RIFLES.

WHEREAS: This would not include use of these weapons by military and law enforcement personnel; and,

WHEREAS: Violence has spiraled out of control since the US ban on assault weapons which expired in 2004; and,

WHEREAS: Current US law allows individuals to make unlimited purchases of guns and automatic weapons at gun shows, without thorough background checks; and,

WHEREAS: Assault weapons are designed for military use and serve no realistic purpose in society; and,

THEREFORE: Be It Resolved...

Richardton-Taylor High School

East Congress
Grand Forks Central

A RESOLUTION THAT ALL SCHOOLS IN THE UNITED STATES HAVE THE SAME
GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS AND STANDARDS/CURRICULUM FOR GRADES
K-12.

Public Welfare

A RESOLUTION THAT ALL SCHOOLS IN THE UNITED STATES HAVE THE SAME
GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS AND STANDARDS/CURRICULUM FOR GRADES
K-12.

WHEREAS: Many kids move around a lot and by doing this the transition could be
easier; and,

WHEREAS: All schools would be in the same school budget range; and,

WHEREAS: This would eliminate the problem of some schools being easier to
graduate from than others; and,

WHEREAS: Out of a group of 20 kindergartners, by the time they have completed 4th
grade only 6 have stayed in the same school; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED...

East Congress
 Fargo North

A RESOLUTION THAT THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA CHANGE TO A RISK
BASED CASHLESS BAIL SYSTEM.

STATE AND LOCAL

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WHEREAS: The current system unfairly penalizes the poor, forcing them to await trial in jail for a crime they may have not committed; and,

WHEREAS: This would give the ability to judges to speed through pretrial hearing; and,

WHEREAS: Over the last 15 years, increases in pretrial detention accounted for 99% of all jail growth; and,

WHEREAS: About 35 states are considering money bail legislation as of this year; and,

THEREFORE: Be it resolved...

East Congress
West Fargo Sheyenne

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WHEREAS: The U.S. Military spending is more than \$700 billion; and,

WHEREAS: Social Security will run out of its \$2.8 trillion in spare cash by the year
2034; and,

WHEREAS: By 2020 the program will begin burning through its excess cash reserves,
potentially leading to a benefits-cut of up to 21% by 2034; and,

WHEREAS: The U.S. could save \$125 billion on military over a five-year period without
cutting any programs; and,

WHEREAS: More than ever, Americans will need medical assistance as life expectancy
increases; and,

THEREFORE: Be it resolved...

East Congress
Richardton-Taylor High School

A RESOLUTION THAT THE UNITED STATES REQUIRE WOMEN OF THE AGE OF
18 TO REGISTER FRO THE MILITARY DRAFT

WHEREAS: There is no such thing as selective equality. Equality means shared burdens as well as shared opportunities so therefore women should register just as registered by men; and,

WHEREAS: There are a number of ways for women to contribute that don't involve combat; and,

WHEREAS: Women will make the military smarter, more agile, and more equitable; and,

WHEREAS: A gender-neutral draft will help broaden perceptions and expectations are; and,

THEREFORE; Be it resolved...

East Congress
West Fargo Sheyenne

A RESOLUTION TO BAN “NO KILL” POLICY IN ALL ANIMAL SHELTERS IN THE
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WHEREAS: No kill shelters reach maximum capacity quickly, which forces shelters to turn away other animals; and,

WHEREAS: Animals without homes would have prolonged death, and more painful than in a shelter; and,

WHEREAS: Animals in no-kill shelters can spend years living in cages; and,

THEREFORE: Be it resolved...