

# UN Peacekeeping Reform Act

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States will withdraw all funding, personnel, and support, and  
3 indefinitely suspend sending additional funding and future personnel to  
4 the UN Peacekeeping Forces.

5 **SECTION 2.** Personnel shall be defined as troops, diplomats, and regulatory agents.  
6 Funding shall be defined as all currency and equipment given to the UN  
7 Peacekeeping General Fund by the United States. Support shall be  
8 defined as military intelligence, military base access, and satellite data.

9 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of State, Department of Defense, and  
10 Treasury Department will oversee the enforcement of this legislation.

11 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect six months after its passage.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Theodore Roosevelt High School*

# A Bill to Fine Big Pharma for the Treatment of Opioid Addiction

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **Section 1:** All pharmaceutical companies who produced and marketed opioids  
3 such as Codeine, Fentanyl (Actiq, Duragesic, Fentora, Abstral,  
4 Onsolis), Hydrocodone (Hysingla, Zohydro ER),  
5 Hydrocodone/acetaminophen (Lorcet, Lortab, Norco, Vicodin),  
6 Hydromorphone (Dilaudid, Exalgo), Meperidine (Demerol), Methadone  
7 (Dolophine, Methadose), Morphine (Kadian, MS Contin, Morphabond),  
8 Oxycodone (OxyContin, Oxaydo), Oxycodone and acetaminophen  
9 (Percocet, Roxicet), Oxycodone will provide an annual payment of no  
10 less than 200,000,000 USD per year for ten years to the Centers for  
11 Disease Control and U.S. Public Health Service Commissioned Corps  
12 task force to treat opioid addicts and prevent further addiction.  
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14 **Section 2: A** All current civil suits that have concluded but fines not collected will be  
15 paid in full.

16 No new civil suits may be filed against pharmaceutical companies

17 **B** concerning the manufacture, marketing or distribution of opioids.

18 All current and future patients prescribed any of the above-stated drugs

19 **C** will have their names entered into an opioid patient database available  
20 to the CDC and USPHSCC task force for the purposes of opioid

21 **Section 3: A** monitoring.

22 The task force will create an action committee to communicate with  
23 these patients to provide opioid addiction education to prevent  
24 addiction.

25 **B** 1,000 new rapid response teams will be trained by the CDC and  
26 USPHSCC task force to respond to overdoses.

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*This bill was introduced for congressional debate by Iowa City West High School (October 2019)*

# A Bill to Raise the Legal Drinking Age

T ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. **SECTION 1.** The minimum legal drinking age will be raised to twenty-five years
2. old.
3. **SECTION 2.** The legal drinking age refers to the age when an individual can
4. legally purchase or publicly consume alcohol.
5. **SECTION 3.** The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives will be in
6. charge of enforcing the bill.
7. **A.** Any store or small business will be prohibited from selling alcohol to minors.
8. Any restaurant or institution that serves alcohol will be prohibited from serving
9. alcohol to minors under the age of 25.
10. **B.** Any store or institution caught serving alcohol to minors will be fined \$2,500 for the  
first occurrence. They will be fined \$10,000 for the second occurrence. If they are caught  
selling it for the third time, they will lose their ability to serve or sell alcohol.
11. **SECTION 4.** This law shall go into effect in January 2022.
12. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*roduced for Congressional Debate by Burlington Community Highschool*

# **A Bill to Relocate, Preserve, and Protect Civil War Public Memorabilia**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** All things publicly owned in relevance to the Civil War of the United States  
2 is to be protected/preserved.

3 **SECTION 2.** Memorabilia from all sides of the Civil War will be moved into 5 museums  
4 located in areas of historical significance to the Civil War.

5 a. Monuments determined to be offensive by a committee will be destroyed.

6 b. The committee will consist of Historians, Museum Conservators, Museum  
7 Curators, Archivists, and Anthropologists with a neutral view. When voting they  
8 will have no ability to abstain.

9 c. All sides will be given equal presentation in accordance with current museum rules  
10 regarding exhibits.

11 d. Majority of statues will be brought to battlefields related to the purpose of the  
12 statue, and the rest will be dispersed into remaining museums as determined by  
13 the committee.

14 **SECTION 3.** State offices and legislation will protect the laws going into effect while  
15 police will protect all the memorabilia, and museums.

16 a. Builders will be hired to build the museums and reconstruct statues  
17 in their designated areas.

18 b. Movers will be hired to move all memorabilia in suitable conditions  
19 to ensure they are preserved to their designated location.

20 c. A one time budget increase into education spending of four  
21 hundred million dollars or Money will be given by existing taxpayer  
22 money to pay for the expenses.

23 **SECTION 4.** Will go into effect Immediately after the passing of the Bill.

24 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with the exception of the "Sunken Military Craft Act of  
25 2005" with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Chase Melton.*

## **A Bill To Limit Campaigning**

Be it enacted by the Congress here assembled that:

1. **Section One:** The period of time during which candidates for public office may actively campaign
2. in the United States shall be limited to 300 days prior to the election date.
3. **Section Two:** candidate shall be defined as a person wishing to be considered for a leadership
4. position in a political or social office designation. Campaign shall be defined as working in an
5. organized way toward a specific goal. In particular, a campaign is a formal announcement of
6. candidacy for an office, including advertising, canvassing, appearing at public forums as a
7. candidate, and attempting to garner active support for a campaign.
8. **Section Three:** Campaigning is limited:
  9. A. Exploratory committees and initiatives may be formed but not announced in
  10. an official capacity. If formally announced, the candidate will be considered
  11. actively campaigning and in violation of this law if more than 300 days prior to
  12. the election.
  13. B. Those wishing to run for public office will still follow local, state, and national
  14. laws regarding filing paperwork to officially declare candidacy. Filing may not
  15. occur more than 300 days prior to the election date.
  16. C. Once accepted as a candidate, individuals can launch television, radio,
  17. print, and in-person advertisements of themselves and their ideas as they
  18. relate to the desire to hold professional public office.
  19. D. No fundraising to bring in money for a candidacy may occur prior to
  20. the 300-day mark, including dinners, informal fundraising, or directed
  21. donations.
22. **Section Four:** Any candidate found to be in violation of this limited campaigning law will be fined
23. \$10,000 for the first occurrence. Any subsequent violation will render the candidate ineligible
24. for candidacy. Any Political Action Committees (PACs) or organizations working on behalf of a potential
25. candidate or advertising prior to the 300 days will be fined \$50,000 per occurrence.
26. **Section Five:** Each state will be responsible for enforcing this legislation, overseen by the Federal
27. Election Commission. Money from fines will be allocated to the Department of Education.
28. **Section Six:** This bill will go into effect for the 2024 election

*Respectfully submitted by John F. Kennedy High School*

# Voices of Our Community Act (VOCA)

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Every organized territory of the United States and the four major tribal  
3 communities representing Indigenous Peoples within the United States  
4 will be given one seat each in the House of Representatives.

5 **SECTION 2.** Organized territories of the United States shall include: American Samoa,  
6 Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin  
7 Islands. The four major tribal communities include: Navajo, Cherokee,  
8 Sioux, and Chippewa. Each representative from the organized territories  
9 and the representatives from the four tribal communities shall be given  
10 the same powers all United States Representatives from the states  
11 receive, including voting power.

12 **SECTION 3.** The Federal Election Commission and The Department of the Interior will  
13 oversee the enforcement of this legislation. The shift from the current  
14 representation paradigm to the new representation paradigm will be  
15 overseen by the U.S. Census Bureau.

16 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect in the 2022 election for the House of  
17 Representatives, following the 2020 Census and reapportionment of  
18 representatives—which shall take into consideration this legislation. The  
19 implementation will be overseen by the United States Census Bureau.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Theodore Roosevelt High School*

# A Bill to Increase Gun Safety

THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. **SECTION 1.** There will be mandatory background checks in all fifty states for
2. anyone attempting to purchase a firearm from any dealer.
3. **SECTION 2.** A firearm shall be defined as a rifle, pistol, or other portable gun.
4. **SECTION 3.** The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives will be
5. responsible for enforcing this bill.
6. **A.** Any dealer caught selling weapons without background checks will be fined
7. \$50,000 on the first offense. The second offense will result in a fine of \$100,000.
8. A third offense will result in 30 days in jail.

**SECTION 4.** This bill shall go into effect in January 2020.

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

*Produced for Congressional Debate by Burlington Community Highschool*

## **A Bill to Increase Our Trade Relations with India**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 SECTION 1. The United States shall inquire for the establishment of a free trade agreement with India, along  
3 with an increase in diplomatic relations.

4 SECTION 2. Trade will include but not be limited to commerce or aid, diplomatic relations will include  
5 bilateral cooperation and intelligence sharing.

6 SECTION 3. The department of defense and Commerce will be responsible for handling respective parts of the  
7 legislation.

8 SECTION 4. If Passed, the legislation will go into effect FY 2020.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Bronx High School of Science



## **A Bill to Reform Stock Buybacks**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 SECTION 1. That the text of the “Stock Buyback Reform and Worker Dividend Act of 2019” (S. 2391) shall be  
3 implemented in full in pursuit of the following:

4 A. Restraining the ability to purchase stock buybacks

5 B. Establishing a worker dividend from acquired buybacks

6 SECTION 2. A. “Stock buyback” shall be defined as an organized re-acquisition of a company’s own stock

7 B. “Worker dividend” shall be defined as an annual payment given to each employee equivalent to  
8 the sum of repurchased stocks divided by one million

9 SECTION 3. The Securities Exchange Commission shall be in charge of regulating the guidelines of this  
10 legislation.

11 SECTION 4. This legislation shall be implemented on January 1, 2020.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Desert Vista High School

## **A Resolution to Demilitarize Kashmir**

- 1 WHEREAS, The people of Kashmir have been oppressed since 1947 by both India and Pakistan, and  
2 WHEREAS, The reason being is that both countries have been trying to gain control of the region by using  
3 military forces as well as political interventions; and  
4 WHEREAS, Due to this, hundreds of civilians die each year because of India and Pakistani armed forces as  
5 well as an uprising of local terrorist groups; and  
6 WHEREAS, Kashmiris have been losing access to basic human needs such as pharmaceuticals, water, internet  
7 access and so forth and conflict in the region has only been growing as India and Pakistan are  
8 making moves to take full control of the region; now, therefore, be it  
9 RESOLVED, That the United States Congress here assembled urges India and Pakistan to remove all military  
10 forces within a 50-kilometer radius of Kashmir by March 1st, 2020; and, be it further  
11 RESOLVED, That if India or Pakistan do not oblige, then the United States will stop arms sales and/or reduce  
12 foreign aid to countries not in compliance.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Wheeling High School

## **A Bill to Fund African Union Technology Infrastructure**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 SECTION 1. The United States shall provide \$75 million in funds to the African Union's Scientific Technical  
3 Research Commission.

4 SECTION 2. Funds shall be defined as monetary gains specifically outlined to the African Union's technology  
5 infrastructure department. Development shall be defined as the growth in tech infrastructure to  
6 eventually match technology standards of the west.

7 SECTION 3. The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) will oversee the  
8 implementation of this bill.

9 A. The USAID shall allocate all funds necessary for the implementation of this bill.

10 B. Upon failure to utilize the funds properly or effectively, Congress shall retract funding.

11 SECTION 4. This bill shall go into effect on January 1st, 2020.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by James Bowie High School

## **A Bill to Recognize the Sovereignty of Hong Kong**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 SECTION 1. The United States will immediately recognize the sovereignty of Hong Kong as an independent  
3 nation.

4 SECTION 2. A sovereign nation is defined as a territory governed by only one government.

5 SECTION 3. The United States State Department shall immediately upon passage of this bill dispatch a  
6 delegation to Hong Kong to formally recognize Hong Kong's ability to administer its own  
7 governance, legal, economic, and financial systems; to formally establish ties with new leaders;  
8 and to discuss plans for a U.S. embassy.

9 SECTION 4. This bill shall be implemented immediately upon signature by the President of the United States

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Chesterton High School

## **A Bill to Abolish Mandatory Minimum Sentencing**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 SECTION 1. A. The United States shall hereby abolish all current mandatory minimum sentencing laws.

3 B. The Department of Justice shall work in collaboration with state legislatures to encourage the  
4 abolition of state mandatory minimum sentencing laws.

5 C. \$500 million shall be distributed through categorical grants to states that comply for the  
6 purpose of hiring judges to prevent potential case backlog.

7 SECTION 2. A. Mandatory minimum sentencing laws shall be defined as any laws that require that offenders  
8 serve a predefined term for certain crimes, even if against the discretion of the judge.

9 B. Categorical grants shall be defined as money given to state and local governments for programs  
10 and projects with specific limitations on how that money is to be spent.

11 SECTION 3. The Federal Bureau of Prisons and the Department of Justice shall work in conjunction with each  
12 of the 50 states and their respective legislatures and correctional agencies in order to enforce this  
13 legislation.

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

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Western High School

## **A Bill to Create a Universal Basic Income**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 SECTION 1. A Universal Basic Income of \$12,000 annually will be given to every American citizen of at least  
3 18 years of age until death.

4 SECTION 2. Universal basic income shall be defined as a set of guaranteed payments given out every month.

5 SECTION 3. The United States Department of Health & Human Services will oversee the implementation of  
6 this bill. The funds for the Universal Basic Income program will come from the consolidation of  
7 all existing welfare programs and a Value-Added Tax of 10%. Every ten years the amount of  
8 money given out will be revised as to remain proportional to economic inflation.

9 SECTION 4. This law shall go into effect on January 1, 2021.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Whitmer High School

## **A Bill to Repeal Tariffs on China**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 SECTION 1. The United States will remove all tariffs since January 2016 placed on the People's Republic of  
3 China.

4 SECTION 2. Tariffs are any taxation on imports into the United States from a foreign nation.

5 SECTION 3. The Department of Commerce will oversee the passage of this legislation.

6 SECTION 4. This legislation will be implemented within 6 months following passage.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Thomas Jefferson High School

## **A Bill to End Military Support to Saudi Arabia**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 SECTION 1. The United States will no longer provide arms and tactical intelligence to Saudi Arabia.

3 SECTION 2. Arms shall be defined as any instrument of war designed with the intent to harm individuals.

4 Tactical Intelligence shall be defined as any information that can be used to support war efforts in  
5 any way.

6 SECTION 3. The Department of Defense shall oversee the implementation of this bill.

7 SECTION 4. This bill shall be implemented immediately upon passage.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Thomas Jefferson High School



## **A Bill to Stop the Exploitation of Nonprofits**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 SECTION 1. The following regulations shall be imposed:

3 A. IRC § 501 (c)(4) status is hereby abolished.

4 B. Eligibility of IRC § 501 (c)(3) status shall include any organization operated exclusively for the  
5 promotion of social welfare.

6 SECTION 2. “The promotion of social welfare” shall maintain its definition under IRC § 501 as furtherance of  
7 the common good and general welfare of the people of the community.

8 SECTION 3. The Internal Revenue Service under the Department of the Treasury will oversee all  
9 implementation of this legislation. IRS annual funding shall be increased by \$480 million to  
10 administer and enforce this legislation.

11 SECTION 4. This legislation shall take effect immediately. All organizations currently designated as (c)(4)  
12 organizations shall maintain their privileges until the annual refiling period.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Olathe Northwest High School