



**TARHEEL EAST DISTRICT
CONGRESSIONAL DEBATE
LEGISLATION PACKET**





PACKET A
HOUSE – PRELIMINARY LEGISLATION
SENATE – LEGISLATION WITH PRIORITY



A Resolution to Make it Mandatory for State and Local Police Forces to Report Hate Crimes

1 **WHEREAS,** hate crimes are on the rise and yet continue to be underreported by law
2 enforcement agencies to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI); and

3 **WHEREAS,** unrecognized hate crimes would only embolden hate groups and
4 extremists to threaten and hurt people for their perceived or actual race,
5 color, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, gender, gender
6 identity, or disability; and

7 **WHEREAS,** underreporting of hate crimes only allows for its spread, as well as the
8 fostering of fear and distrust of law enforcements; and

9 **WHEREAS,** reporting hate crimes would allow significant progress in increasing
10 awareness and can lead to their prevention on a nationwide level; and

11 **WHEREAS,** relations between law enforcement and the communities they serve
12 would improve as they consequently send a message to those prone to
13 these hateful activities that these crimes will not be ignored and that
14 their victims are heard and protected; now, therefore, be it

15 **RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled condemn hate crimes and make it so
16 that all state and local police forces must collect and report their hate
17 crime data to the FBI at the end of each year so that they proper course
18 of action and efforts can be made to prevent and eradicate these heinous
19 crimes.

A Bill to Ban Immigration-Related Detention Camps and to Fund an Expansion of the Legal Residency Program

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All detention camps being used to hold undocumented immigrants or
3 refugees in the United States for immigration purposes, regardless of
4 national origin, will henceforth be closed.

5 **SECTION 2.** Detention camp will be defined as any site where undocumented persons
6 are being held against their will. Refugees will be defined as any person
7 who has been forced to leave their country in order to escape war,
8 persecution, natural disaster, or drug/gang related violence. Immigration
9 purposes will be defined as entering the country for economic
10 betterment, social mobility, or for the reasons above.

11 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Homeland Security will oversee the enforcement of
12 this legislation. The House Oversight Committee will ensure that the
13 terms of this bill are enforced to full effect. All funds currently used for
14 detention camps will be diverted to an expansion of the immigrant in-
15 processing system. An additional \$500 million will be used to expand the
16 immigrant in-processing program.

17 **SECTION 4.** All provisions of this bill will be enacted upon passage of FY2021 budget.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Cape Fear HS

A Bill to Phase Out Fossil Fuel Subsidies to Protect the Future of the Environment

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All coal, oil, and natural gas subsidies shall be phased out within the next
3 twenty-five years. A minimum of four percent of current subsidies will be
4 phased out each year until the conclusion of the twenty-five-year period.

5 **SECTION 2.** Oil, coal, and natural gas subsidies will be defined as government actions
6 that lower the cost of production, lower price paid by consumers, or
7 increase the price received by their producers.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Energy will be responsible for implementation of this
9 bill.

10 **SECTION 4.** This bill will be implemented within three months of passage.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Cary Academy



A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Limit Presidents to One Six-Year Term

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

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

7 **ARTICLE --**

8 **SECTION 1.** The President of the United States shall serve a six-year term.

9 **SECTION 2.** No person shall be elected to the office of President of the United States
10 more than once, and no person who has held the office of President, or
11 acted as President, for more than three years of a term to which some
12 other person was elected President shall be elected to the office of
13 President.

14 **SECTION 3.** A President may only be impeached by three-fifths of the House of
15 Representatives, and may only be removed from office if a majority of
16 Senators concur.

17 **SECTION 4.** The first election under this article shall be held in 2028, and the winner
18 of the election will serve a six-year term.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Cary HS



A Bill to Tax American Landfills to Promote Sustainability

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All landfills within the United States will be taxed.

3 **SECTION 2.** Landfills is defined as a site used for the disposal of waste materials.

4 **SECTION 3.** The EPA will oversee the implementation of this bill.

5 A. Landfills will be taxed \$120 per ton of active waste.

6 B. Landfills will be taxed \$3 per ton of inactive waste.

7 **SECTION 4.** This bill will be implemented January 2021.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Cumberland International Early College HS

A Resolution to Restore Congressional Authority Over Tariffs

1 **WHEREAS,** the Executive Branch’s unilateral tariff powers have enacted tariffs on a
2 frequent basis; and

3 **WHEREAS,** Tariffs against foreign countries have domestic and global negative
4 economic repercussions and pose costs on Americans; and

5 **WHEREAS,** Tariffs results in trade wars which worsen relations between the United
6 States and the foreign governments which tariffs have been enacted
7 against; now, therefore, be it

8 **RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled that the power to enact tariffs be
9 removed from the Executive Branch and be restored as a legislative
10 power.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by East Chapel Hill HS

A Resolution to Halt Military Aid to Egypt

- 1 **WHEREAS,** the United States' relationship with Egypt ensures continual access to
2 Persian Gulf energy resources and shipping lanes; and
- 3 **WHEREAS,** the United States is now the world's largest producer of crude oil and no
4 longer needs to spend \$1.6 billion dollars per year in military aid to
5 maintain this access; and
- 6 **WHEREAS,** Egyptian President Abdel Fattah el-Sisi misuses United States military
7 resources and provides little to no support in return; and
- 8 **WHEREAS,** Human rights violations continue to occur in Egypt despite threats to pull
9 back on military aid commitments; now, therefore, be it
- 10 **RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled that the United States cut its military aid
11 to Egypt.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Durham Academy



PACKET B
HOUSE – FINALS LEGISLATION
SENATE – RESERVE LEGISLATION

The Nonprofit Equality Act of 2020

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The Internal Revenue Code shall be amended to remove automatic
3 classification of organizations designated as churches as tax-exempt
4 charitable organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue
5 code.

6 **SECTION 2.** Churches and Religious Organizations that qualify for tax-exempt status
7 under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code may file an
8 Application for Recognition of Exemption with the Internal Revenue
9 Service.

10 **SECTION 3.** Section 7611 of the Internal Revenue Code is hereby abolished.

11 **SECTION 4.** The legislation shall be enforced by the Internal Revenue Service.

12 **SECTION 5** The legislation shall go into effect at the beginning of the Fiscal Year
13 2022.

14 **SECTION 6** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Tarheel East District Committee

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Establish Publicly Funded Elections

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

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

7 **ARTICLE --**

8 **SECTION 1.** No candidate for any federal elected office may accept campaign
9 contributions from any private individual, organization or entity.

10 **SECTION 2.** All candidates for federal elected office will receive campaign funding
11 through the Public Campaign Commission, which shall exist under the
12 oversight of the Federal Election Commission.

13 **SECTION 2.** The Public Campaign Commission shall have the authority and duty to
14 ensure that all candidates for federal elected office are treated equally.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Tarheel East District Committee

A Resolution to Make Peace with the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea

- 1 **WHEREAS,** prolonged and endless hostility benefits no one; and
- 2 **WHEREAS,** the United States has learned from prior experience in the Cold War that
- 3 it is in the best interests of all parties in an inactive military standoff to let
- 4 cooler heads prevail; and
- 5 **WHEREAS,** this Congress ought to always prioritize the safety and security of
- 6 Americans over ideological disputes; and
- 7 **WHEREAS,** in the recent past, the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea has shown
- 8 a willingness to engage in peace talks if treated like a worthy partner;
- 9 now, therefore, be it
- 10 **RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled that the United States ought to
- 11 aggressively pursue diplomatic and trade relations with the Democratic
- 12 People’s Republic of Korea.

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