

A Resolution to Permit Victims of Domestic Abuse to Carry a Handgun Without a Permit

1 WHEREAS, According to the Violence Policy Center, which uses Bureau of Justice statistics, three
2 women are killed each day by an intimate partner

3 WHEREAS, Many of those women had PFA (Protection From Abuse) orders against the men who
4 killed them

5 WHEREAS, According to NBC News, "Under current federal law, a person is prohibited from
6 owning a gun if they have been convicted of felony or misdemeanor domestic violence (against a
7 spouse, live-in partner, or co-parent of a child) or if they have a permanent restraining order
8 against them. But they are not barred from gun ownership if they have had a temporary restraining
9 order, a stalking conviction, or a domestic violence conviction against someone they were dating
10 but did not live with or have a child with."

11 WHEREAS, Police are often limited in what they can do and how often they can help victims, and

12 WHEREAS, In 30 states, women are even punished for calling police too much when they are
13 being abused. "The ACLU filed a lawsuit ... against the city of Maplewood, Missouri, over a policy
14 that allegedly evicts domestic violence victims and banishes them from the St. Louis suburb if they
15 call police for help more than twice in six months."

16 WHEREAS, Women who are able to carry a concealed handgun – and whose abuser knows that
17 she is carrying a handgun – are less likely to die at the hands of their abusers.

18 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED that women who
19 have filed a PFA against a domestic partner who is abusing the can carry a concealed weapon for
20 60 days without having a permit.

Respectfully submitted,
North Allegheny

**A resolution to prohibit refusal of service against any LGBTQ+ American Citizens
by adding it to national law**

1 Whereas citizens of the United States of America that identify as a member of the
2 LGBTQ+ community are still legally allowed to be refused service by businesses.

3 Whereas this act against LGBTQ+ members through refusal of service can be
4 exemplified by the recent Mississippi bill passed on July 1, 2016. It clearly enforced the
5 that LGBTQ+ couples should be denied the right to services if the owner of this
6 business believes so; and

7 Whereas this blatant discrimination is detrimental LGBTQ+ members cannot technically
8 be considered a violation since the current refusal of service does not allow refusal
9 against race, color, religion, or nationality, but does not include the classification of
10 being LGBTQ+.

11 Whereas the surfacing awareness of these terms such as homosexual, transgender,
12 and genderqueer are not a product of a desperate generation, but are rather a deserved
13 recognition of a community of people that have been disregarded for centuries.

14 Whereas LGBTQ+ members are constantly facing hardships for their sexuality or
15 gender without proper remorse, and even were initially denied simple and universal
16 human rights such as marriage up until the 21st century, and are being refused rights
17 that go much further than the denial to offer service; now, therefore be it

18 RESOLVED, That the Student Congress here assembled make the following
19 recommendation for a solution by adding the identification of being LGBTQ+ to the
20 exceptions of the law of refusal of service.

Respectfully submitted,

North Allegheny

A Bill to Fund Biodiversity

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The United States will fund 1 million dollars from the budget of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to the Fish and Wildlife services to inform and research to protect main pollinators.

SECTION 2. Main pollinators are insects known to help greatly with pollination such as Bee, wasps, butterflies, and other pollinators. These insects greatly increase the number of plants, which leads to an increase of all other animals, thus increasing the biodiversity of the environment of the US.

SECTION 3. The Fish and Wildlife services will oversee this bill. This agency will provide education to people willing to help and will fund research to save declining populations.

SECTION 4. This will take effect immediately upon passage.

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

Respectfully Submitted:

Bethel Park High School

A Bill to Prohibit the Prohibition of References

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. It shall be considered a violation of fair labor practices for companies to prohibit individual employees from providing references for coworkers or former employees.

SECTION 2. A reference is a written or verbal statement describing the habits of a coworker or former employee, or a recommendation for future employment, usually given to an inquiring employer. This does not include factually incorrect statements which would violate current EEOC guidelines.

SECTION 3. The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission will oversee enforcement of this legislation, and may refer violations of the National Labor Relations Board for further investigation and sanctions.

SECTION 4. This will take effect immediately upon passage.

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 Secure the United States-Canada Border

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** A border partition between the United States and Canada will be erected.

3 **SECTION 2.** The border partition will be made of different components. In all areas, a digital
4 surveillance net will be created to increase awareness surrounding border activities. In
5 areas of need a physical partition will be constructed.

6 **SECTION 3.** The Department of the Interior, and the Department of Homeland Security will be
7 responsible for the implementation of this bill.

8 **A-** The Department of Homeland Security will draft plans to implement this bill, and
9 then contract as necessary to construct the partition.

10 **B-** The Department of the Interior will be charged with the task of maintaining any
11 physical partitions.

12 **SECTION 4.** After passage this bill will take effect immediately.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by WSFA.

A BILL TO DRUG TEST RECIPIENTS OF FEDERAL PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

BE IT ENACTED BY THIS CONGRESS THAT:

1 SECTION 1 Random drug tests for illegal substances will be required twice yearly for all
2 recipients or beneficiaries of public assistance, age 18 or older, whose income is
3 derived, directly or indirectly, from Federal funds.

4 SECTION 2 Public assistance payments to the household will be reduced by 25% for each
5 person in that household who tests positive for illegal substances and who does
6 not enter a treatment program within 7 days after testing positive.

7 SECTION 3 This legislation will take effect six months after enactment.

Respectfully Submitted,

Quigley Catholic High School

A Bill to Keep the West Coast Out of the Loop

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. No result from an election for a federal office may be made public or communicated by the press until all polling locations for that office have been closed for a period of one hour.

SECTION 2. Define any ambiguous terms inherent in the first section.

SECTION 3.

- A. For Presidential elections, all polling locations will include those in Alaska and Hawaii. For Congressional elections, polling locations will include those within that state or district. This is exclusive of absentee balloting or provisional ballots.
- B. Results may include exit polling data, official or unofficial “calling” of states prior to official communication from the appropriate state authority, or actual results provided by the appropriate state authority.

SECTION 4. This bill will take effect on November 1st, 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 Resolution to Implement A Professionalism Course for Social Media in Public Schools to Properly inform kids of Social Media Etiquette

- 1 WHEREAS, Students and young adults are recklessly posting inappropriate pictures and
2 comments that negatively affect them or their peers.
- 3 WHEREAS, In the popular demand of social media, kids have become thoughtless in their
4 negative posts and comments on all social media platforms. Peers, colleges, and others can see
5 everything that is posted that reflects negatively on the child.
- 6 WHEREAS, Children are not properly informed of what is and isn't appropriate to post. As 88% of
7 teens have seen someone be mean or cruel to another person on social media sites according to
8 GuardChild.com. From this same source, 55% of teens have given out personal information over
9 one of these platforms. This issues are preventable.
- 10 WHEREAS, Students must take a course, made by professionals, to properly understand what is
11 appropriate to post online.
- 12 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Student Congress here assembled require a course in
13 all public high schools to proactively teach kids the proper etiquette on online social media.

Respectfully submitted,

North Allegheny