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## A Bill to Incentivize Corporate Cooperation to Reduce Carbon-Based Emissions

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Federal Government shall hereby exempt, from one  
3 year's federal income taxes, the first three American based Fortune 500  
4 companies not already on the EPA's Green Power Partnership Fortune  
5 500 Partners List to utilize 100% green power in their total electricity use.

6 **SECTION 2.** Definitions for this legislation are as follows:

7 A. Exempt income taxes are the flat 21% federal corporate tax rate.

8 B. The EPA's Green Power Partnership Fortune 500 Partners list is  
9 comprised of organizations that voluntarily use green power.

10 C. The Fortune 500 is an annual list, published by Fortune magazine, of  
11 the 500 largest companies by revenue in the United States.

12 **SECTION 3.** The Environmental Protection Agency and Internal Revenue Service shall  
13 collaboratively oversee implementation and enforcement of this  
14 legislation based on federally established eligibility guidelines.

15 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall be implemented effective immediately.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Jack C. Hays High School*

## **A Bill to Prioritize Research in the Disposal of Nuclear Waste**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Federal Government shall require the Department of  
3 Energy to allocate \$500 million of their existing budget towards research  
4 of nuclear waste disposal locations.

5 **SECTION 2.** “Nuclear waste disposal locations” shall be defined as sites that prevent  
6 the exposure of radiation and safely provide long-term storage with no  
7 risk of human casualties.

8 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Energy (DOE) will set aside \$500 million  
9 for the specified cause of research towards nuclear waste disposal.

10 A. The DOE will independently have the opportunity to choose which  
11 organizations and/or companies will conduct research, all decisions  
12 will be up to the DOE’s discretion.

13 B. The only limitation that is placed upon the DOE is that the fixed  
14 minimal amount that must go towards the cause of nuclear waste  
15 disposal locations.

16 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall go into effect fiscal year 2021.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Sandra Day O’Connor High School.*

## **A Resolution to Remove the Pledge of Allegiance from Public Schools**

- 1   **WHEREAS,**   the United States is one of few nations requiring students to recite a  
2                   pledge of allegiance; and
- 3   **WHEREAS,**   many students have religious, political, or other reasons to not  
4                   participate in the pledge; and
- 5   **WHEREAS,**   even by encouraging students to participate in the pledge, those who  
6                   don't are subject to bullying, chastisement, and punishment; and
- 7   **WHEREAS,**   proclaiming "one nation, under God" violates the separation of church  
8                   and state; and
- 9   **WHEREAS,**   the First Amendment protects the right to self-expression; and
- 10   **WHEREAS,**   the United States should value individual freedom and liberty, and the  
11                  pledge of allegiance violates those ideals; now, therefore, be it
- 12   **RESOLVED,**   By the Congress here assembled that the Pledge of Allegiance be  
13                  prohibited in United States public schools.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Earl Warren High School*

## **A Bill to Impose Term Limits on Representatives in Congress**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Representatives of both chambers of Congress, those chambers being the  
3 United States Senate and the United States House of Representatives,  
4 shall be imposed with term limits in an effort to prevent corruption and  
5 maintain diversified thoughts and ideas within the federal government.

6 **SECTION 2.** Representatives in both chambers of the U. S. legislative branch will be  
7 allowed a maximum of 18 years tenure separately across chambers.  
8 Representatives that reach their maximum tenure of 18 years within one  
9 chamber of Congress are still allowed another 18 years of Congress  
10 within the other chamber

11 **SECTION 3.** Representatives that are currently serving more than 18 years of their  
12 constituency will be allowed to finish their terms but must resign  
13 permanently within their chamber of Congress after an election for the  
14 office held by them.

15 **SECTION 4.** The legislation will go into effect January 1, 2021.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Legacy of Educational Excellence (LEE) High School*

## **A Bill to Abolish Socio-Economic Questions on Standardized Test Registration to Move to a Merit Only System**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Standardized tests, such as but not limited to the SAT, ACT, State  
3 Standardized End of Course Exams, shall not ask questions about parents'  
4 level of education or parents' income in order for the student to register  
5 or complete their exam.

6 **SECTION 2.** All questions pertaining to socio-economic status of a student's parents  
7 shall not be asked or answered.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Education shall oversee the implementation of this  
9 law.

10 A. If there is a question on the socio-economic status of a student's  
11 parents, the student shall not answer it and the scores will still be  
12 valid.

13 B. If a student answers the socio-economic question on the registration  
14 of a test, the scores will be struck invalidated resulting in another  
15 opportunity to take the exam paid for by the testing company.

16 **SECTION 4.** If passed, this law will go into effect on August 1st, 2021

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Douglas MacArthur High School*



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### Session Two – Foreign Policy

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## **A Resolution to Curb Russian Influence in Crimea**

- 1   **WHEREAS,**   Russia currently maintains a military presence in the Ukraine; and
- 2   **WHEREAS,**   Russian annexation of Crimea went largely ignored by the international
- 3                   community; and
- 4   **WHEREAS,**   the Russian government has shown no signs of withdrawing from the
- 5                   peninsula; and; and
- 6   **WHEREAS,**   In March 2018, the Russian government increased opposition against
- 7                   peaceful protests and political arrests; and
- 8   **WHEREAS,**   the United Nations has condemned Russian involvement in the Crimean
- 9                   peninsula; and
- 10   **WHEREAS,**   the United States has the ability to combat Russian oppression of the
- 11                  Crimean people; now, therefore, be it; now, therefore, be it
- 12   **RESOLVED,**   By the Congress here assembled that the United States urge the North
- 13                  Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) to send \$5 billion in military aid to
- 14                  the Ukrainian Security Assistance Initiative's efforts in combating Russian
- 15                  Occupation.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Winston Churchill HS*

## **A Resolution to Condemn Israeli Administrative Detention**

- 1   **WHEREAS,**   The Israeli practice of Administrative Detention is utilized as a means of  
2                   silencing free speech and political dissidents; and
- 3   **WHEREAS,**   The United States has an obligation to defend free speech and political  
4                   discourse in all allied nations; and
- 5   **WHEREAS,**   By failing to condemn Israel's practice of Administrative Detention, the  
6                   United States will be openly contradicting its objective of democracy in  
7                   the MENA region; and
- 8   **WHEREAS,**   By condemning the practice our nation will reaffirm our commitment to  
9                   free speech and democratic processes across the globe; now, therefore,  
10                  be it
- 11   **RESOLVED,**   That the Congress here assembled formally condemns the government of  
12                   Israel in its practice of Administrative Detention for the purpose of  
13                   supporting free speech across the world.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Claudia Taylor "Lady Bird" Johnson High School*

## **A Resolution to Reverse the Military Withdrawal in Afghanistan to Ensure Peace**

- 1   **WHEREAS,**   The Afghan Government and the Taliban have had recurrent peace talks  
2                   yet no progress has been made; and
- 3   **WHEREAS,**   The Taliban have continues to launch attacks against innocent civilians  
4                   and government institutions in spite of the peace accords; and
- 5   **WHEREAS,**   Afghanistan does not have the military power to hold off the Taliban on  
6                   its own; and
- 7   **WHEREAS,**   A lack of American presence would mean a potential civil war between  
8                   rival militias and factions could break out; now, therefore, be it
- 9   **RESOLVED,**   By the Congress here assembled make the following recommendation for  
10                  a reversal of the withdrawal from Afghanistan.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Theodore Roosevelt San Antonio*



## A Bill to Reinstate the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Federal Government shall hereby reinstate the Joint  
3 Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA), otherwise known as the Iran  
4 Nuclear Deal.

5 **SECTION 2.** The JCPOA refers to the exact text of the plan as implemented on January  
6 16, 2016 including all benchmarks and accountability measures.

7 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Senate Foreign Relations Committee shall work in conjunction  
8 with the Department of Energy and the International Atomic Energy  
9 Agency to oversee implementation and enforcement of this legislation  
10 based on international law.

11 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall be implemented effective immediately.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Saint Mary's Hall*

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### Additional Legislation

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## **A Resolution to Increase the Drug Patent Threshold**

- 1   **WHEREAS,**   Currently, the price for prescription drugs in the United States have  
2                   risen by 12% each year over the course of five years due in part to  
3                   the abuse of the drug patent system; and
- 4   **WHEREAS,**   In order to extend their patent on a drug, pharmaceutical  
5                   companies are creating 'new' drugs with only slight variations from  
6                   an already patented drug that serve no functional purpose except  
7                   for to extend the already existing patent; and
- 8   **WHEREAS,**   Less expensive generic drugs can only be created once a patent  
9                   has expired; and
- 10   **WHEREAS,**   Every citizen in the United States who has a need for prescription  
11                   drugs has been at the mercy of the monopoly the pharmaceutical  
12                   companies have created; and
- 13   **WHEREAS,**   Americans are being forced to ration their dosages in order to live  
14                   or sacrifice their daily necessities to be able to afford name-brand  
15                   drugs; now, therefore, be it
- 16   **RESOLVED,**   By the Congress here assembled that the FDA should raise the  
17                   threshold for pharmaceutical companies to patent a drug so that the  
18                   ability to make 'new' drugs with no separate function is restricted.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Jack C. Hays High School*



## **A Resolution to Provide Vocational Training Tuition Rebates to Increase Postsecondary Graduation Rates**

- 1   **WHEREAS,**   increasing college expenses make it difficult for socioeconomically  
2                   disadvantaged students to access higher education; and
- 3   **WHEREAS,**   technical and trade school graduates earn a median annual salary of  
4                   \$35,720, which is roughly \$6,000 more per year than those with a high  
5                   school degree and amounts to a \$500,000 difference over a lifetime; and
- 6   **WHEREAS,**   students from low-income families have a more difficult time finishing  
7                   post-secondary education due to higher debt accumulation; and
- 8   **WHEREAS,**   the unemployment (8.5%) and underemployment (16.8%) rates for  
9                   college graduates under age 25 have nearly doubled since 2007; and
- 10   **WHEREAS,**   the national conversation has shifted to more seriously considering  
11                  publicly funded post-secondary education; and
- 12   **WHEREAS,**   the average trade school degree costs \$33,000; a \$94,000 savings  
13                  compared to the \$127,000 cost of the average bachelor's degree; and
- 14   **WHEREAS,**   vocational training and trade school would make an immediate and  
15                  lasting impact on income inequality; now, therefore, be it
- 16   **RESOLVED,**   By the Congress here assembled that the United States Department of  
17                  Education should provide vouchers for vocational training expenses  
18                  incurred by low-income students.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Jack C. Hays High School*

## **A Bill to Repeal Mandatory Minimum Sentencing on Nonviolent Offences**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States has the largest prison population in the world with a rate of 698  
3 people imprisoned for every 100,000 people, leaving 2.3 million people  
4 incarcerated. Nearly 92,870 of these inmates, however, are under mandatory  
5 sentencing which forces the inmate to serve a set amount of time regardless of  
6 circumstance. 25% (roughly 364,000) of all prisoners are in on non-violent offenses,  
7 the majority of which are drug related, which disproportionately targets people of  
8 color.

9 **SECTION 2.** Mandatory Minimum Sentencing - Mandatory sentencing requires that offenders  
10 serve a predefined term for certain crimes. Judges are bound by law; these  
11 sentences are produced through the legislature, not the judicial system.

12 **SECTION 3.** Enforcement of this bill will be done through the Department Of Justice and Federal  
13 Bureau of Prisons. Any violation of this bill on the federal, state, or local level will  
14 result in a fine of \$100,000 and dismissal of judges and government parties  
15 involved.

16 **SECTION 4.** This bill will be enacted as of January 2021.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Claudia Taylor "Lady Bird" Johnson High School*



## **A Resolution to Require School Faculty to Enforce Consequences for E-Cigarette Use**

- 1   **WHEREAS,**   The use of electronic cigarettes (E-cigarettes) among middle and high  
2                   school students has grown significantly in recent years; and
- 3   **WHEREAS,**   While indulgence in schools across the United States has continued to  
4                   grow, school faculty have time and time again failed to react in a timely  
5                   and effective manner to discourage such unhealthy and dangerous  
6                   behavior; and
- 7   **WHEREAS,**   The harms perpetuated by a constant use of electronic cigarettes among  
8                   adolescents, such as increased susceptibility to drug and alcohol  
9                   addictions, slowed brain development, and even fatal lung injury; and
- 10   **WHEREAS,**   School faculty would be expected to discourage and punish such harmful  
11                   behavior, yet many have failed in stepping in and enforcing proper  
12                   consequences to reduce the use of electronic cigarettes in school; now  
13                   therefore, be it
- 14   **RESOLVED,**   By the Congress here assembled that the Congress here assembled make  
15                   the following recommendation for faculty to be required to enforce  
16                   consequences for electronic cigarette use among students.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Legacy of Educational Excellence (LEE) High School*

## **A Bill to Mandate Equipment to Ensure the Safety of Police Officers**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The Department of Justice shall hereby mandate equipment to police  
3 officers for their safety. This is including, but not limited to body  
4 protecting clothing.

5 **SECTION 2.** “Equipment” shall be defined as necessary items for a particular purpose.

6 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice will oversee implementation of this bill and  
7 will be given \$1 billion for the equipment.

8 **A.** All equipment shall be paid for by the U. S. government.

9 **B.** A mandatory check will be issued at the end of every year to see the  
10 changes in results.

11 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall go into effect January 1, 2021.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Legacy of Educational Excellence (LEE) High School.*

## **A Resolution to Phase-out Privatized Education**

- 1   **WHEREAS,**   Education is a right and shouldn't be withheld from those with lower  
2                   socioeconomic status; and
- 3   **WHEREAS,**   Private Elementary and Secondary Schools provide an alternative to  
4                   public school; and
- 5   **WHEREAS,**   Fixing the public school system is not an obvious priority, since there is an  
6                   alternative to public schools; and
- 7   **WHEREAS,**   The United States' rankings in education, as compared to other nations,  
8                   have been falling over the past three decades; and
- 9   **WHEREAS,**   there is a real and present need to fix the American Public School system  
10                  instead of just recommending an unaffordable-for-most option; now,  
11                  therefore, be it
- 12   **RESOLVED,**   By the Congress here assembled that we should phase out private  
13                   Elementary and Secondary Schools by closing them within the next 5  
14                   years, thereby giving the current kindergarten class the opportunity to  
15                   finish at their current school.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Douglas MacArthur High School*

## **A Resolution to Ban the Production of Pennies**

- WHEREAS,** The production and use of pennies has become a strain on the United States economy and lives: and
- WHEREAS,** Pennies cost 1.82 cents to make and overall losing 46 million in production in the year 2016;
- WHEREAS,** This system of currency requires the United States Treasury's printing press to produce a form of currency that is more expensive than the items in question used; and
- WHEREAS,** We continue to produce them collectively causing a massive deficit that doesn't benefit the economy by any margin; and
- WHEREAS,** Seeing the issues surrounding this accursed coin the logical motion in recognition would be the immediate halt and inevitable ban of the production of pennies; and, now, therefore be it
- RESOLVED,** That the UIL Congress here assembled make the following recommendation to ban the production of pennies.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Sandra Day O'Connor High School*

## **A Bill to Provide Public Daycare**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States will offer free public daycare to all U.S. Citizens  
3 ages 0-5 years old.

4 **SECTION 2.** Public is defined as a school paid for by public funds.

5 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Education will assist in the planning, curriculum, and  
6 opening of public daycares.

7 A. States will enforce this just as they do public elementary, middle and  
8 high schools.

9 B. Each state is also responsible for the recruitment and hiring of  
10 qualified teachers.

11 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall be implemented at the start of the 2021 school year.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Sandra Day O'Connor High School*

## **A Resolution to Shut Down All Military Installations on the Island of Okinawa**

- 1   **WHEREAS,**   Japan has long proven to be an ally of the United States; and
- 2   **WHEREAS,**   Military personnel on the island have represented a long threat to safety
- 3                   of the Japanese people living there; and
- 4   **WHEREAS,**   American military presence has only been proven to increase anti-
- 5                   Western sentiment; and
- 6   **WHEREAS,**   America has other military installations that are closer to areas of conflict
- 7                   within the region; now, therefore, be it
- 8   **RESOLVED,**   By the Congress here assembled that all military installations on the
- 9                   Japanese island of Okinawa will be shut down by 2030 and the SOFA
- 10                  agreement with japan will be renegotiated.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Theodore Roosevelt San Antonio*



## A Resolution to Increase Military Cooperation with Taiwan

1     **WHEREAS,**     The United States has utterly failed to adhere to the One China policy;  
2                     and  
3     **WHEREAS,**     Taiwan’s strategic location is more important than ever seeing that Japan  
4                     is pushing for an independent military; and  
5     **WHEREAS,**     America must prove to its allies that the US is willing to cooperate and  
6                     intervene in our allies’ interest; and  
7     **WHEREAS,**     China’s aggressive moves in the region can be deterred through powerful  
8                     and local Taiwanese presence; now, therefore, be it  
9     **RESOLVED,**    By the Congress here assembled that Military Cooperation with Taiwan  
10                    will be increased to combat China’s expansionist policies.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Theodore Roosevelt San Antonio*