

## **A Bill to Transition to a “Day Fine” System**

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT**

**Section 1.** The passage of this legislation would adjust criminal fines to be on a sliding scale, where the citizen’s payment is determined by their taxable income.

**Section 2.** This would replace the current “baseline” fee system.

**Section 3.** The sliding scale would consist of fines that are between 2 (two) and 8 (eight) percent of the citizen’s total income.

**Section 5.** A criminal fee is defined as a punishment for a parking ticket, criminal mischief, or any other crime currently settled by a fine.

**Section 6.** The Department of Justice will regulate the enforcement of the legislation.

**Section 7.** This Legislation will take effect at the beginning of the 2021 fiscal year.

**Section 8.** All other laws and regulations that violate this bill are declared null and void.

*Introduced for debate by Rowan County Senior High School*

## **A Bill to Ban the Box in College Admissions**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1:** No United States public university or community college shall ask about an applicant's criminal history at any time during the admission decision-making process.

**SECTION 2:** Criminal history shall be defined as a record of offenses for which a person has been found criminally liable and convicted. Admission decision-making process will be defined as the period of time from which the applicant is beginning their application to the time when their admission decision is sent out.

**SECTION 3:** The U.S. Department of Education shall oversee the implementation of this bill.

**SECTION 4:** This bill's implementation shall begin immediately after passage.

**SECTION 5:** All other laws in conflict with this legislation shall be hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Henry Clay High School*

## A Bill for Every Federal Vehicle to be an Electric Car

Section 1: This legislation would require all federal vehicles to be electric cars by the start of the 2025 fiscal year

Section 2: Electric cars shall be defined as cars that charge and do not use gasoline.

Section 3: The department of energy would be in charge of choosing which company would be the best fit and if they see fit, how to get the energy to charge the cars.

Section 4: This would have an allocated \$23 billion derived from what is saved without gasoline and selling the used cars. The rest would come from pulling funds from unnecessary projects.

Section 5: Unnecessary projects will be determined by the treasury and department of energy or projects that have been out of use for more than 10 years.

Section 5: All laws in conflict are hereby null and void

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# A Resolution to Affirm the Rights of Refugees

- WHEREAS,** Seekers of asylum and refugees must be guaranteed certain rights set forth under international law, and must be given fair treatment, conditions, and chance to prove a case for asylum
- WHEREAS,** The U.S *de jure* grants these rights to asylum seekers, but the policies and practices of the Departments of Homeland Security, Justice, Health and Human Services, ICE, and CBP often fail to adequately protect these and, often flagrantly contradict them
- WHEREAS,** The U.S should uphold and protect the rights of asylum seekers to the full extent required under both U.S law and international conventions and customs; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED,** That the U.S hereby affirms the diverse human rights of asylum seekers, and the associated obligations of the government; and be it further
- RESOLVED,** That the U.S government accepts the responsibility to uphold these rights, including under the UN Convention and Protocol Relating To The Status of Refugees, and accepts the jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice in all legal disputes over such responsibility

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Senator Alex Minter*

## **A Bill to Start School Later in the Day**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1.** Public Middle schools and High schools will now start at 8:30 am.

**SECTION 2.** Public schools- A school supported by public funds

Public funds- The revenue or money of a government, state, or municipal corporation

**SECTION 3.** The US Department of Education will oversee the enforcement of this bill

A. 15% of funding will be cut from the federal education funding for states that do not implement this bill.

**SECTION 4.** The bill will be implemented in the school year of 2020-2021

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Larry A. Ryle High School*

# **A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Overturn *Citizens United v. FEC***

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 the Congress:

## **ARTICLE XXVIII**

**SECTION 1.** To advance democratic self-government and political equality, and to protect the integrity of government and the electoral process, Congress and the States may regulate and set reasonable limits on the raising and spending of money by candidates and others to influence elections.

**SECTION 2.** Congress and the States shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation, and may distinguish between natural persons and corporations or other artificial entities created by law, including by prohibiting such entities from spending money to influence elections.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Larry A. Ryle High School*

## **A Bill To Have A Universal DNA Database**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1.** All US citizens are required to submit a sample of their DNA to be stored in the DNA database.

**SECTION 2.** DNA sample: DNA sample taken by an official government worker to be processed by qualified personnel for addition to the Universal DNA Database.

Universal DNA Database: Database that stores the DNA of all US citizens.

**SECTION 3.** This bill will be enforced and enacted by The Department of Defense.

**SECTION 4.** This bill will be funded by raising the Defense Department's funding by raising the taxes as recommended by the Department of Defense's cost estimates.

**SECTION 5.** This bill will go into effect immediately upon passage.

**SECTION 6.** All other laws and/or passages of Congress that conflict with this bill will be considered null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Paul Laurence Dunbar High School.*

## **A Bill to Implement Same-Day Voting Registration**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1.** The United States will require the option of same-day voting registration for all elections free of charge.

**SECTION 2.** Same-Day Voting Registration (SDR): The process of allowing voters to register and vote on the same day, including early voting, currently permitted in some form in 21 states and the District of Columbia.

**SECTION 3.** The Election Assistance Commission will provide the necessary resources to polling locations and facilitate the implementation of SDR nationwide.

**SECTION 4.** As modeled by existing methods of SDR, there is no cost associated with this bill.

**SECTION 5.** This legislation will go into effect immediately and the first official effect of this bill will be seen in the 2020 election.

**SECTION 6.** All other laws and/or passages of Congress that conflict with this bill will be considered null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Paul Laurence Dunbar High School.*



**A Resolution to Encourage States to  
Classify Social Work as a Hazardous Duty Job**

1           **WHEREAS**, Social Workers help people who struggle to care for  
2 themselves (e.g., minors and the elderly) or those providing support to these  
3 individuals (e.g., parents and caregivers). At times, this includes finding  
4 alternative placement for people faced with dangerous situations;

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6           **WHEREAS**, There are approximately 680,000 social workers that work in  
7 the United States of America and who provide support to an estimated 150  
8 million Americans;

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10          **WHEREAS**, Social Workers cover many versatile environments (e.g.,  
11 hospitals, long-term care facilities, private homes, etc.) the circumstances of  
12 which are unpredictable, with the risk of being exposed to violence or  
13 otherwise toxic environments that vary from day to day;

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15          **WHEREAS**, These risks also include, but are not limited to, the following:  
16 harm to clients, workers, the agency; negative impacts physically,  
17 psychologically, socially, ethically, legally, and financially; and

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19          **WHEREAS**, “Hazardous Duty jobs” include employment duties  
20 performed under circumstances in which an accident could result in serious  
21 injury or death. The classification provides additional incentives and  
22 assurances to professionals choosing careers in these fields and their  
23 families.

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25          **RESOLVED**, We urge the legislatures of the various States to classify  
26 social workers employed by state and local governments as occupying  
27 hazardous duty jobs entitled to the incentives and benefits of other state  
28 positions possessing the same classification.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Boyle County High School*