

1 A Bill to Amend the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982

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3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

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5 **Section 1.** Title 1 § 10121 of the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982 will be amended to include  
6 provisions for transportation and development of dry cask storage for spent nuclear  
7 fuel.  
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9 **Section 2.** Dry Cask Storage: A growing alternative method to storing spent nuclear fuel above  
10 ground at independent storage facilities instead of in on-site pools.  
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12 **Section 3.** a. This Congress will make the recommendation to the Secretary of Energy to fund the  
13 construction of additional independent dry cask storage facilities in order to expand  
14 the United States storage capacity to meet future demand.  
15 b. This Congress will make a recommendation to the Secretary of Energy to allow  
16 independent contractors to bid for licenses to construct dry storage casks.  
17 c. This Congress will make the recommendation to the Secretary of Energy to  
18 transport nuclear waste from current pool storage facilities to new dry cask  
19 facilities.  
20 d. The Secretary of Energy will be granted the ability to transport nuclear waste and/or  
21 fuel across state lines given that:  
22 i. the final destination is within a state that allows the importation of nuclear  
23 waste  
24 ii. the fuel stays no longer than ten days within a given state until it reaches  
25 its destination.  
26 e. For every day over the ten-day maximum, the Department of Energy will be  
27 fined a sum of fifty thousand dollars to be distributed to the state government.

28 **Section 4.** a. This Congress recommends to the Secretary of Energy that each licensee be granted  
29 180 days to report a plan detailing transportation effort for spent nuclear fuel to dry  
30 cask storage facilities from on-site pool storage.  
31 b. Current nuclear waste storage facilities will be granted until the start of FY 2027 to  
32 transfer fifty percent of waste held prior to implementation and FY 2037 to transfer  
33 one-hundred percent of nuclear waste held prior to implementation at their facilities  
34 to a dry cask storage system.  
35 c. Further, current nuclear waste storage facilities will be granted until the start of FY  
36 2025 to store all waste created after implementation in a dry cask storage system.  
37 Facilities that fail to comply with this deadline will be fined a sum of five million  
38 dollars each fiscal year.  
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40 **Section 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.  
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42 *Introduced for Congressional Debate by the delegation from Boise State University*  
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## A Resolution to Alleviate Further Suffering in Syria

- 1   **WHEREAS,**   The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees has described the  
2                   Syrian Refugee crisis as “the biggest humanitarian and refugee crisis of  
3                   our time”; and
- 4   **WHEREAS,**   Nearly 15 million Syrian citizens have become refugees and internally  
5                   displaced persons since March 2011; and
- 6   **WHEREAS,**   Increased conflict since December 2019 has resulted in the displacement  
7                   of an additional 540,000 Syrian children; and
- 8   **WHEREAS,**   Disregard for both the Adana and Sochi agreements threaten to further  
9                   destabilize the region; and
- 10   **WHEREAS,**   Russia, Turkey, and Syria, have failed to create a long-term solution  
11                  including a permanent ceasefire; therefore, be it
- 12   **RESOLVED,**   That the Congress here assembled ensure full funding of The Regional  
13                  Resilience and Refugee Plan (3RP); and, be it
- 14   **FURTHER RESOLVED,** That Congress recommend the President pursue a permanent  
15                  ceasefire in addition to any long-term solutions that ensure future  
16                  stability.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the delegation from the College of Western Idaho*

# The Disclosure Act of 2020

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All pre-existing Nondisclosure Agreements related to sexual harassment  
3 cases are hereby declared null and void.

4 **SECTION 2.** No new Nondisclosure Agreements related to sexual harassment cases  
5 may take effect within the jurisdiction of the United States.

6 **SECTION 3.** For the purposes of this legislation, "Nondisclosure Agreement" shall be  
7 defined as any legally binding agreement that prohibits disclosure of  
8 certain confidential information.

9 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go into effect immediately.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the National Speech & Debate Association*

## **An Amendment to the Fair Housing Act**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 is amended by adding “citizenship  
3 status,” after “familial status,” whenever it appears to describe a  
4 protected class. Retaliation upon a member of this protected class,  
5 including threats to notify Immigration and Customs Enforcement, shall  
6 be considered the same as retaliation against any other protected class  
7 under this act.

8 **SECTION 2.** “Citizenship status” refers to legal status within the country, whether  
9 documented or undocumented.

10 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Housing and Urban Development shall enforce this  
11 definition. The Department shall have the power to sanction property  
12 owners for violations of section one using the same penalties as  
13 proscribed for other violations of Title VIII.

14 **SECTION 4.** This shall take effect immediately upon passage.

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

# A Bill to Limit Presidential Authority Authorized by the National Emergency Act

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The following sections of the National Emergency Act be repealed:

3 1. 42 U.S.C. § 7410 (f)

4 2. 42 U.S.C. § 1320b-5 and 21 U.S.C. § 360bbb-3

5 3. 10 U.S.C. § 2808 (a)

6 **SECTION 2.** 1. 42 U.S.C. § 7410 (f) states that the Governor of a State may petition the President to  
7 suspend any part of Clean Air Act implementation plan or any requirement under 42  
8 U.S.C. § 7651j (concerning excess emissions penalties or offsets) for up to 4 months.

9 2. Sections 42 U.S.C. § 1320b-5 and 21 U.S.C. § 360bbb-3 state that Secretary of Health  
10 and Human Services may waive confidentiality, certification, sanctions, and other  
11 provisions as necessary to supply public health services and may authorize the use of an  
12 unapproved drug, device, or biological product, or an unapproved use of an approved  
13 drug, device, or biological product.

14 3. 10 U.S.C. § 2808 (a) states that the Secretary of Defense, without regard to any other  
15 provision of law, may undertake military construction projects, and may authorize  
16 Secretaries of the military departments to undertake military construction projects, that  
17 are necessary to support such use of the armed forces.

18 **SECTION 3.** This bill will be enforced by the Department of Defense, the Department of Energy, and  
19 the Department of Homeland Security.

20 **SECTION 4.** Upon passage, these powers will be stricken down immediately.

21 **SECTION 5.** Any standing emergencies justified under the above provisions will be declared null and  
22 void, and associated funding streams will be eliminated henceforth.

## **A Bill to Prevent the Imprisonment of Pregnant Women in the U.S.**

1       BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2       Section 1:     Non-violent felony offenders who are pregnant at the time of their  
3                       sentencing shall immediately qualify for parole for the remainder of their  
4                       pregnancy plus three (3) months following the birth of their child(ren).

5       Section 2:     The US Bureau of Prisons shall oversee the implementation and  
6                       enforcement of this bill and have the ability to delegate this power to the  
7                       individual state Bureaus of Prisons.

8       Section 3:     This bill shall affect all prisons in the United States including federal,  
9                       state, and private prisons.

10      Section 4:     This law shall be fully implemented within one calendar year of passage.

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

*Submitted by Marian University*

## **A Bill to Create a Federal Animal Abuser Registry**

### **BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:**

**SECTION 1.** Abusers of animals shall be required to register on a Federal Animal Abusers Registry.

**A.** "Abuser of animals" shall be defined as an individual convicted of a crime involving: Torturing, maiming, or mutilating an animal; injuring, beating, or killing an animal unnecessarily or cruelly; leaving pets in motor vehicles under dangerous conditions; abandoning an animal in your care; overworking or overloading horses or other livestock; transporting or confining animals in a cruel or reckless way; and killing, injuring or poisoning another person's animal without legal authority or the owner's consent.

**SECTION 2.** Abusers of animals must register every two years for a period equivalent to the duration of their original sentencing period.

**A.** For abusers of animals not sentenced to prison time, animal abusers must register every two years of their probation period.

**B.** The minimum requirement for a registry is two years, regardless of original sentencing or probation period.

**C.** Abusers of animals must register at their local county courthouse and must re-register after every change in address.

**I.** Failure to register will result in additional charges determined by the state.

**SECTION 3.** The Federal Animal Abuser Registry shall be organized by a tier system.

**A.** Tier I offenses shall be defined as misdemeanor offenses as determined by the state of conviction.

**B.** Tier II offenses shall be defined as felony offenses as determined by the state of conviction.

**SECTION 4.** The Federal Animal Abuse Registry shall be made public at both the County Sheriff's Department and on a Federal Animal Abuse Registry website.

**A.** This website will show an image of the abuser of animals, date of offense, state of offense, tier level, and current address.

**SECTION 5.** This bill shall prohibit the sale or adoption of an animal from a sales establishment, and said abusers of animals shall not be permitted to hold possession of, reside with, or work in an environment involving the handling of animals under any circumstance for the duration of their time on the registry.

**A.** Provisions to be made for individuals requiring a service animal shall be determined on a case by case basis by law enforcement and medical providers.

**SECTION 6.** All state laws regarding animal abuse registries shall become null and void.

Authored and Introduced by Ohio University



## **A Resolution to Pardon Nonviolent Drug Offenders**

- 1   **WHEREAS,**   Prisons are overcrowded with nonviolent drug offenders; and
- 2   **WHEREAS,**   Many nonviolent offenders are subject to mandatory minimums; and
- 3   **WHEREAS,**   A criminal record makes finding a job much harder; and
- 4   **WHEREAS,**   Minority communities have been targeted by draconian drug laws; now,
- 5                   therefore, be it
- 6   **RESOLVED,**   By the Congress here assembled that the President to pardon all federal
- 7                   nonviolent drug offenders; and, be it
- 8   **FURTHER RESOLVED,**   That all governors pardon all their respective state's nonviolent
- 9                   drug offenders.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the New England district.*

# **An Act to Aid Public Safety**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1.** (A) This act may be known and Cited as Jennifer and Michella's Law.

**SECTION 2.** (A) This body of legislature finds that many states have for decades collected and required the collection of DNA biological samples from certain convicted offenders and persons required to register as sex and kidnapping offenders.

(B) This collection has been crucial in solving cases such as cold cases, as well as assisted with productive leads in active cases. This collection has also been crucial in absolving wrongly suspected and convicted persons in an attempt to finding a resolution to those who have been wrongly convicted of sex related crimes.

(C) This act is an attempt to solve cold cases and unsolved crimes, to provide closure to victims and family members.

(D) The legislature finds that procedural improvements and measured expansions to the collection and analysis of lawfully obtained DNA biological samples to both be appropriate and necessary.

**SECTION 3.** (A) A biological sample must be collected for the purposes of DNA identification analysis from:

(B) Every adult or juvenile individual convicted of the following felony crimes:

(1) Assault in the where domestic violence has occurred

(2) Patronizing a prostitute.

(3) Sexual misconduct with a minor in the second or first degree.

(B) The sample is to be collected upon conviction for the crimes listed above.

(C) State and local police departments are required to take said DNA to state run laboratories within 12 hours of collection.

(1) Laboratories are required to enter DNA into state, local, and federal DNA databases.

(D) Funding and enforcement of this act will be under the Department of Defense.

**SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1st, 2021.

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

*Respectfully submitted by Simpson College.*

## **The Tariff Power Reclamation Act of 2020**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** No tariffs may be imposed by the United States without approval from  
3 both houses of Congress.

4 **SECTION 2.** For the purposes of this legislation, “tariffs” shall be defined as any taxes  
5 imposed on goods imported from outside the United States that are not  
6 imposed on similar goods from within the United States.

7 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall go into effect immediately.

8 **SECTION 4.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the National Speech & Debate Association*

## A Bill to Tax Labor Automation

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All companies utilizing automation to reduce or offset labor  
3 costs shall be taxed in order to fund a universal basic income. The rate of  
4 taxation shall be one third of the gross salary for the jobs lost to  
5 automation and will be paid by the company in question for up to five  
6 years. These funds will be used for job training as well as a universal basic  
7 income for displaced employees.

8 **SECTION 2.** Labor automation is defined herein as the process of utilizing technology  
9 in place of human labor to carry out various tasks and professions.

10 **SECTION 3.** A universal basic income is defined herein as a guaranteed income for  
11 certain citizens of the United States valued at \$1000 per month. This  
12 universal basic income would be distributed to those whose jobs are lost  
13 to automation.

14 **SECTION 4.** Government agencies that will hereby be appointed to the enforcement  
15 of this legislation and preside over case by case deliberations include:

- 16 A. United States Department of Commerce
- 17 B. United States Department of Labor
- 18 C. United States Department of the Treasury

19 **SECTION 5.** This legislation will take effect immediately upon passage.

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

## **The Modern Voting Rights Act**

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2. **Section 1:** The United States Federal Government shall recognize voting as a
3. a fundamental right of all citizens that shall not be infringed.
4. **Section 2:** The Department of Justice shall create an agency that will oversee the
5. implementation of automatic voter registration to all citizens who have reached the
6. eligible age and shall reinstate the right to vote for any citizen that has been purged from
7. voting rolls.
8. **Section 3:** The United States Federal Government shall recognize Election Day as a
9. federal holiday and eliminate its observance of Columbus Day.
10. **Section 4:** All businesses that do not close for federal holidays shall be required to give
11. employees four (4) hours off of duty to vote on Election Day. This time may be paid or
12. unpaid and is up to the discretion of the employer.
13. **Section 5:** The Department of Justice, through the Office of Civil Rights, shall reinstate
14. voting precincts that had previously been shuttered in communities of color through
15. restrictive processes.
16. **Section 6:** The United States Federal Government shall mandate the right to vote
17. be reinstated to individuals who have or are currently serving a felony sentence.
18. **Section 7:** Funding for this bill will be provided through a five cent tax on individual
19. revenue exceeding fifty (50) million dollars.
20. **Section 8:** This law shall go into effect at the beginning of the calendar year 2021
21. (CY21) and all provisions of this bill shall be completed by the Election Day 2026.
22. **Section 9:** All laws that restrict voting rights to any United States citizen shall be

23. considered null and void upon passage of this bill.

Respectfully submitted by Webster University