

Bill #1167 to Prohibit Prison Gerrymandering

BE IT ENACTED BY THIS STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. **SECTION I.** Districts shall no longer be allowed to count prisoners in their
2. census populations for the purpose of redistricting unless said
3. prisoners are fully enfranchised to vote in all elections.
4. **SECTION II.** Districts shall be defined as the wide variety of small polling areas,
5. such as election districts, precincts, or wards, that state and local
6. governments create for the purpose of administering elections.
7. **SECTION III.** This legislation shall be enforced jointly by the U.S. Census
8. Bureau and the Federal Election Commission.
9. **A.** The responsible agencies will conduct audits of each redraw
10. district to regulate compliance with this policy.
11. **B.** If a district has violated this policy, the district will be
12. mandated to forfeit all seats gained maliciously by
13. manipulating the voting population by including prisoners.
14. **SECTION IV.** This bill shall be implemented immediately upon passage.
15. **SECTION V.** All laws in conflict with this legislation shall hereby be declared
16. null and void.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dominion High School

A Bill to De-Criminalize and Control Distribution of Illegal Drugs

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Section 1. Possession of any currently scheduled drug will be de-criminalized.

A. The US Federal Government will tax, regulate and control the distribution of currently scheduled drugs similar to tobacco and alcohol in the United States working with its state partners and private enterprise.

B. Possession of any scheduled drugs without both federal and state tax stamps or possession in non-approved government containers will be subjected to arrest and a penalty not to exceed a one-year jail sentence for illegal distribution and a cash penalty equal to the amount of likely value of illegally distributed drugs. Possession of scheduled drugs by minors without a prescription will result in mandatory drug rehab.

Section 2. Anyone convicted under the provisions listed above is also

Section 3. Regulation of scheduled drugs is through the FDA with enforcement through the Department of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms.

Section 4. This shall take effect on January 1, 2023

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

A Bill to Provide Aid to the Kurdish People

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The United States will allocate 450 million United States dollars in military aid to Kurdish forces in order to protect their people from external threats.

SECTION 2. A. “Military Aid” shall be defined as funding allocated strictly for the purposes of providing resources such as food, water, clothing, and ammunition for the purposes of the Kurdish defense of their homeland.

B. “External Threats” currently acting against the Kurdish people include the Turkish government and the Islamic State (ISIS); these may be further defined by the overseeing department as outlined in Section 3 of this legislation.

SECTION 3. The United States Agency for Internal Development (USAID) will oversee the implementation of this legislation under the jurisdiction of the United States Department of Defense (DOD) and the Secretary of State.

A. The 450 million dollars in funding will be drawn from the DOD’s foreign aid budget.

B. The DOD and USAID will be responsible for the delivery of aid and the regulation of the Kurds’ use of the aid, including what causes may be considered threats to the Kurdish people.

SECTION 4. This bill shall take effect immediately after its passage.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by James W. Robinson, Jr. Secondary School

Bill #1278

A Bill to Establish a Wealth Tax on the Very Rich

1. **Article I:** To establish a wealth tax on all citizens of the United States who currently
2. possess more than 50 million dollars' worth of assets.
3. **Article II:** The wealth tax would be valued at 3% of the monetary value of all total
4. assets possessed by any single citizen. Only citizens who possess more
5. than fifty million dollars in assets at the time of taxation will pay this tax;
6. citizens who are projected to have this wealth at the end of any time period
7. will not pay. Assets in both foreign and domestic bonds will be accounted
8. for in the calculation of whether a citizen meets the fifty million dollars
9. threshold and the resulting 3% value.
10. **Article III:** This legislation shall take effect upon its passing.
11. **Article IV:** The Internal Revenue Service shall oversee the enforcement of this
12. legislation.
13. **Article V:** All laws in conflict with this bill are hereby declared null and void

Respectfully Submitted,

Sidwell Friends School

A Bill to Eliminate Lost Baggage

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Article I: At the end of each day, at every airport, airlines must inventory and catalog all unclaimed luggage in their possession with the name and originating flight number of the passenger who checked the luggage. The airline in possession of the luggage has 24 hours to make a “good-faith” effort to notify the passenger about the location of the luggage and the steps being taken to reunite the customer with the bag. If unable to reach the customer within 72 hours, the bag must be returned to its point of origin and held for a minimum of 1 week.

Article II: (A) Day refers to the time from when the time the airport opens to the conclusion of the baggage claim process for the last flight from that airline to land at that airport.
(B) “Good-faith” effort to communicate must include an attempt to contact the passenger using the phone number, email address, or home address provided by the passenger to the airline at the time of ticketing.

Article III: This legislation will take effect July 1, 2020.

Article IV: The FAA will oversee enforcement of and compliance with this legislation by

- (A) Assessing fines in the amount of \$1,000 per piece of unclaimed luggage in the airline’s possession per day that the airline did not make a good faith effort to contact the passenger.
- (B) Assessing fines not to exceed \$3,000,000 in addition to per bag fines for airlines who’s non-compliance is ongoing and systemic.
- (C) Creating a system for customers to report airlines that are out of compliance for investigation by the FAA.

Article V: All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology

A Bill to Establish DC as the 51st State

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** Washington, District of Columbia (D.C.) shall be recognized by the
2 United States as a state in the union. Federal buildings shall
3 maintain their federal jurisdiction but will be included in the land of
4 the state.

5 **SECTION 2.** D.C. shall be allocated one seat in the House of Representatives
6 and two seats in the Senate.

7 The mayor of D.C. shall become interim acting governor, and
8 remain so until the next gubernatorial election. The government of
9 the city of D.C. shall transition to become the state government of
10 D.C., with the city's municipal services expanded as necessary.

11 The new state of D.C. shall not impose taxes on federal property.

12 **SECTION 3.** This bill shall be enforced by Congress.

13 **SECTION 4.** This piece of legislation will take effect on January 1, 2021 to give
14 D.C. time to transition smoothly.

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

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Introduced for Congressional Debate by Walt Whitman High School.

Bill # 830

To lift all sanctions on Iran

- 1 Article I: All economic sanctions placed on Iran by the US will be lifted.
- 2 Article II: Sanctions will be defined as all sanctions placed on Iran by the US before and
- 3 after the US leaving the Iran Nuclear deal.
- 4 Article III: Economic pressures put on Iran by the US and the EU has prompted Iran to
- 5 build up its nuclear stockpile.
- 6 Article IV: If passed this bill will be enacted on March 21st.
- 7 Article V: The US Department of Treasury will oversee the passing of the bill.
- 8 Article IV: All laws in conflict with this bill shall hereby be declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

Yorktown High School