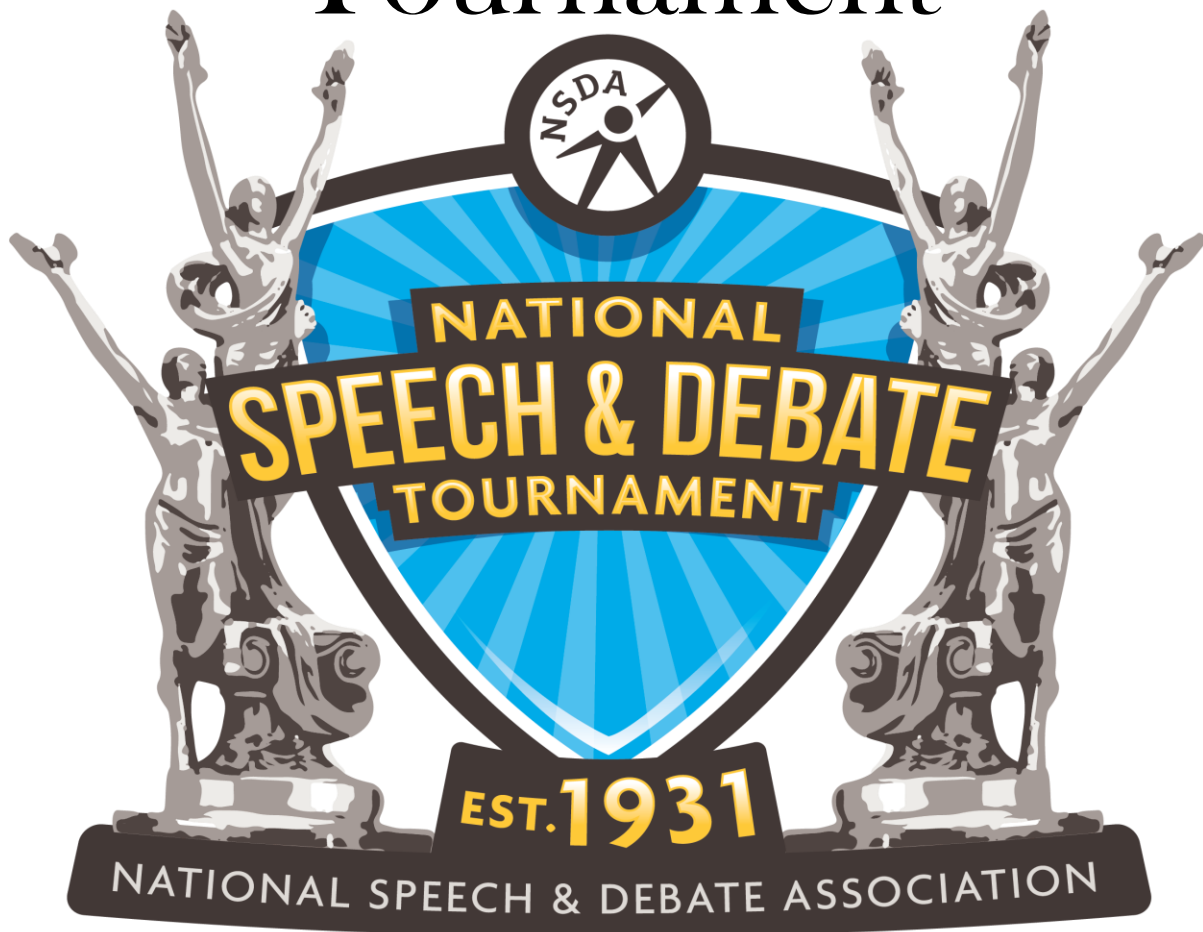


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The Dual Directive to Drastically Deal with Discrimination and Debt (DDDDDD)

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1 A program of income-share agreements (ISAs) shall be instituted.

- i. The Internal Revenue Code is hereby amended to include an ISA as a qualified education loan.
 - ii. The Investment Company Act of 1940 is amended to exclude as an investment company a business which substantially consists of making ISAs.
 - iii. The repayment cap will be set at 2.5 times the amount of the loan.
 - iv. ISAs will be permitted to collect anywhere from 3 to 15 percent of borrowers' income over a period of 5 to 15 years.
 - v. The amount the lender receives in excess of the amount provided to the borrower shall be taxed as income. The initial sum borrowed shall not be taxed or counted as assets for financial aid eligibility purposes.
 - vi. Borrowers are permitted 3 "grace years" in which the ISA payment plan is paused. These years must be low-salary years for the borrower such that if one were to iterate the year across the entire payment plan, the total paid would be less than 40% of the amount loaned.
 - vii. Lenders shall be permitted, but not required, to serve only students in lender-specified areas of study.
- b. The federal government shall phase out student loans in the next 10 years.
- i. Every year, the cap on subsidized and unsubsidized loans shall decrease by 2,000 dollars, until year 10, at which point it will drop to 0.
- d. Pell Grants shall be ineligible for use towards IHEs which have a greater than 2:3 spending ratio between administration and education/faculty purposes.
- e. The Clery Act is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. An Income-Share Agreement is defined as a financial arrangement to be used exclusively for education, wherein the borrower pays back a set proportion of income every year, for a fixed number of years.

SECTION 3. The Department of Education shall oversee enforcement of this bill.

SECTION 4. This legislation shall 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 the New York District

A Bill to Shift Venezuelan Policy to Promote Peace

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1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall take a multipronged approach to alter its
3 Venezuelan Policy.

4 A) All sanctions by the United States Federal Government on the
5 state of Venezuela and its officials shall hereby be repealed.

6 B) The United States shall attempt to engage in diplomatic talks with
7 Venezuelan officials affiliated with the Maduro Administration.

8 **SECTION 2.** Sanctions shall be defined as political or economic penalties imposed by a
9 foreign nation. Diplomatic talks shall be defined as meetings between
10 foreign officials in a neutral location to address the current political state.

11 **SECTION 3.** The Department of State shall be responsible for the implementation and
12 enforcement of this legislation

13 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be implemented by October 1, 2020.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Florida Oceanfront District

A Bill to Modify Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972

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1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Federal Government shall encourage broader

3 enforcement of Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972.

4 **SECTION 2.** Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972 protects people from

5 discrimination based on sex in education programs or activities that

6 receive Federal financial assistance.

7 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Justice shall oversee implementation.

8 A. The Department of Education shall change the definition of sexual

9 harassment to “sexual contact forced on an un-consenting individual,

10 or perpetrated on an individual who is not capable of giving consent.”

11 B. The Department of Education shall change the current standard of

12 evidence from “clear and convincing” to the new standard of the

13 “preponderance of the evidence.”

14 C. If any educational institution which falls under Title IX jurisdiction fails

15 to follow the guidelines of this legislation, the Department of Justice

16 shall fine five (5) thousand dollars for each incident.

17 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall be implemented immediately upon passing.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Magnolia District

A Bill to Enact Mandatory Body Cameras for Police Officers

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1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All police officers shall be required to wear recording devices on their persons
3 while on duty.

4 **SECTION 2.** Recording devices shall be defined as a small device recording audio and visual
5 while turned on. On duty shall be defined as a police officer actively on shift as a
6 law enforcement officer.

7 A. The audio and video obtained from these cameras shall be kept
8 private unless there is probable cause and justifiable means for the video to be
9 accessed.

10 B. At no time shall the footage obtained be edited, obscured, or otherwise
11 tampered with during or after recording.

12 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice shall work with national, state, and local
13 police forces to oversee the passage of this legislation.

14 A. The \$20 million previously allocated from the Department of Justice budget
15 to fund body cameras shall be used for any funding this bill may require.

16 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall be enacted one month upon passage, with fully functional body
17 cameras on all officers by the year 2021.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Virginia District

A Bill to Tax and Control Big Pharmaceuticals

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1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The Secretary of Health and Human Services will be charged with
3 negotiating the price of prescription drugs for all Americans. A 50% tax
4 will also be implemented on all profits made on prescription drugs by
5 pharmaceutical companies.

6 **SECTION 2.** Profit will be calculated by determining the money remaining after
7 money used for drug research and development is considered. Money
8 collected via taxation will be allocated to develop a universal healthcare
9 system.

10 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Health and Human Services will oversee
11 implementation of this bill.

12 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go into effect on August 1, 2020.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Central Minnesota District

A Bill to Fund African Union Technology Infrastructure

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1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall provide \$75 million in funds to the African Union's
3 Scientific Technical Research Commission.

4 **SECTION 2.** Funds shall be defined as monetary gains specifically outlined to the
5 African Union's technology infrastructure department. Development shall
6 be defined as the growth in tech infrastructure to eventually match
7 technology standards of the west.

8 **SECTION 3.** The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) will
9 oversee the implementation of this bill.

10 A. The USAID shall allocate all funds necessary for the implementation of
11 this bill.

12 B. Upon failure to utilize the funds properly or effectively, Congress shall
13 retract funding.

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

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Heart of Texas District

A Resolution to Allow Felons with Completed Sentences the Right to Vote

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1 **WHEREAS,** An estimated 6.1 million persons with a felony conviction are barred from
2 voting in elections, known as disenfranchisement; and

3 **WHEREAS,** Disenfranchisement is unconstitutional and decreases voter turnout
4 which inherently leads to unequal representation amongst various
5 populations; and

6 **WHEREAS,** Felon disenfranchisement has tremendously affected the political
7 landscape, leading researchers to report that felon disenfranchisement
8 may have altered the outcome of as many as seven recent U.S. Senate
9 elections and one Presidential election; and

10 **WHEREAS,** Felons in multiple successful countries have the right to vote, and it has
11 dramatically improved equal representation amongst various
12 populations; now, therefore, be it

13 **RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled that felons who have completed their
14 prison sentence will henceforth be allowed to vote in order to establish
15 equal representation among American citizens.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the North Texas Longhorns District

The Sahel Counterterrorism Action Reform (S.C.A.R.) Act

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1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** U.S. counter-terrorism operations in the Sahel region of Africa shall be
3 restructured to prioritize regional development over military operations.

4 **SECTION 2.** Such reprioritization shall include the following reforms:

5 A. An additional \$500 million of developmental aid shall be distributed
6 annually to the Sahel to fund regional healthcare infrastructure,
7 education access, and refugee assistance programs.

8 B. Armed drone and troop deployments shall be significantly scaled back
9 over the course of five years, with the remaining military presence
10 focusing on surveillance, intelligence-gathering, and military training.

11 **SECTION 3.** USAID and the Department of Defense (DoD) shall be tasked with
12 implementing this legislation.

13 A. USAID shall work with regional NGOs and U.N. agencies to distribute
14 the aid under Section 2A.

15 B. The DoD shall submit an annual report to Congress for review
16 detailing the state of ongoing military operations under Section 2B.

17 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall take effect in FY 2021.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the East Texas District

The Medicare Public Option Act of 2020

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** Medicare will now be available in the health insurance exchanges to
2 every U.S. citizen, regardless of age or income. Current budgeting
3 methods used for Medicare shall continue to be used to fund the plan in
4 part or in whole.
- 5 **SECTION 2.** The following definitions will be applied:
6 A. "Medicare" shall be defined as the national federal health insurance
7 program available to those above the age of 65 and to anyone with
8 disability status.
9 B. "Current budgeting methods" is defined as the premiums paid by
10 those enrolled in Medicare.
- 11 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Health and Human Services will oversee the funding
12 implementation of this legislation.
13 A. \$2 Billion in Congressional funds shall be allocated for any start-up
14 costs.
- 15 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall 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 the UIL District

A Bill to Streamline the U.S. Military

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1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The U.S. Government Accountability Office shall submit a report to the
3 US Congress for the purpose of reducing appropriations to the US
4 Department of Defense for the next fiscal year.

5 **SECTION 2.** The report produced by the U.S. Government Accountability Office shall
6 have the following objectives:

7 **A.** Determining which programs have inflated budgets and how to
8 streamline spending.

9 **B.** Recommending which military assets to retire without increasing
10 national security risk.

11 **C.** Establishing potential military assets that could modernize and replace
12 current assets, to reduce procurement costs and operation and
13 maintenance costs.

14 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Government Accountability Office shall oversee the
15 implementation of this legislation.

16 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will be enacted immediately upon passage.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Tennessee District

REPUBLIC Act

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1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Should the President declare a National Emergency, such declaration must
3 immediately be transmitted to Congress for approval.

4 **A.** The declaration shall be terminated 72 hours after transmittal unless
5 Congress, in a joint resolution passed by both chambers, approves both the
6 declaration of the emergency and the exercise of the President's authority
7 in such matters.

8 **B.** Section 706 of the Communications Act of 1934 is amended by striking
9 subsection (c). The President shall possess no ability to suspend
10 telecommunications rules and regulations.

11 **SECTION 2.** Congressional approval of the national emergency shall terminate after 90 days
12 unless both chambers pass a joint resolution renewing such approval.

13 **SECTION 3.** Each chamber shall create standing rules related to the debate and approval of
14 the joint resolutions. Upon the creation of such standing rules in each chamber,
15 this Act shall take effect.

16 **SECTION 4.** Each national emergency declared under Section 201 of the National
17 Emergencies Act before the date of the enactment of this legislation, shall
18 terminate on such date of enactment as outlined in Section 3.

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

Introduced by the National Speech & Debate Association; adapted from S. 1809, as introduced in the 116th Congress

Domestic Terrorism Prevention Act of 2020**Domestic Terrorism Prevention Act of 2020**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Offices shall be created within the Department of Justice, Department of
3 Homeland Security, and Counterterrorism Division of the Federal Bureau of
4 Investigation dedicated to monitor, analyze, investigate, and prosecute
5 domestic terrorism, particularly as a result of white supremacism.

6 **SECTION 2.** Within their respective agencies, these Offices shall administer and report upon
7 the effectiveness of training to combat influences which may lead to domestic
8 terrorism and racially-based hate crimes.

9 **SECTION 3.** After the establishment of the Offices, the Attorney General, Director, Secretary
10 of Homeland Security, and the Secretary of Defense shall establish an
11 interagency task force to analyze and combat White supremacist and neo-Nazi
12 infiltration of the uniformed services and Federal law enforcement agencies.

13 **SECTION 4.** No later than six months after the passage of this Act, and twice a year
14 thereafter, the Secretary of Homeland Security, Attorney General, and Director
15 of the FBI shall report to Congress the progress toward the creation of these
16 offices, and the statistics related to the growth or decline of cases of domestic
17 terrorism, hate crimes, or white supremacist activity as monitored by the
18 Offices.

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

Introduced by the National Speech & Debate Association; adapted from H.R. 5602, as introduced in the 116th Congress

Global Health Security Act of 2020

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1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 2 **SECTION 1.** The President shall establish a Global Health Security Agenda Interagency
3 Review Council to:
- 4 **A.** Provide policy-level recommendations to participating agencies on Global
5 Health Security Agenda (GHSa) goals, objectives, and implementation.
- 6 **B.** Facilitate interagency engagement and resolve interagency disputes
7 concerning GHSa goals.
- 8 **C.** Review progress and work to resolve challenges in achieving United States
9 commitments under the GHSa.
- 10 **D.** Conduct an overall review of the GHSa within 180 days for submission to
11 the President and appropriate congressional committees.

12 **SECTION 2.** The Council will develop an annual report regarding progress achieved and
13 challenges regarding the United States Government's ability to advance the
14 GHSa across priority countries.

15 **SECTION 3.** The council shall consist of representatives, serving at the Assistant Secretary
16 level or higher, from each cabinet level department and will be chaired by a
17 member of the National Security Council appointed by the President.

18 **SECTION 4.** This shall take effect on August 1, 2020.

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

Introduced by the National Speech & Debate Association; adapted from H.R. 2166, as introduced in the 116th Congress

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