

**Congress Docket - States  
Brunswick High School  
January 26, 2013**

• **A Bill to Legalize Marijuana**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- SECTION 1. All forms of marijuana will be legalized.
- SECTION 2. Marijuana is defined as any product derived from members of the plant Genus *Cannabis*.
- SECTION 3. Persons below the age of twenty-one (21) shall not be permitted to Consume, produce, or possess marijuana.
- SECTION 4. The consumption of marijuana in public places is forbidden.
- SECTION 5. This legislation will go into effect on January 1st, 2014.
- SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Respectfully Submitted by TT, FHS, Maine District*

- A Resolution to Urge the State Department to Issue a Travel Warning for Greece
- **WHEREAS**, Greece has recently suffered racially motivated violence against perceived Immigrants, who are often tourists; and
- **WHEREAS**, this violence could prove dangerous to Americans of many backgrounds;
- And **WHEREAS**, It is the duty of the United States to protect its citizens; and
- **WHEREAS**, Congress must carry out said duty; now, therefore, be it
- **RESOLVED**, That the Congress here assembled recommends that the State Department
- Issue a travel warning for Greece until conditions have stabilized.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by DM, FHS*

• **The Kenyan Assistance Act of 2013**

- **BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:**
- **Section 1.** United States military aid to the Republic of Kenya will be temporarily Suspended if the pay increases for members of the Kenyan parliament passed by the Kenyan Parliament on January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013, takes effect.
- The aforementioned suspension will be revoked if said pay increases are vetoed by the Kenyan President.
- **Section 2.** Military aid is defined as financial or logistical aid given to a country to Strengthen or support its military capacity.
- **Section 3.** The enforcement of this legislation will be carried out by the Department Of Defense.
- **SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect immediately.
- **Section 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by DM, FHS*

• **A BILL TO ENSURE BETTER DEMOCRACY**

- **BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:**
- **SECTION 1.** All public opinion polls for any election released to the public will Be outlawed three weeks before the election.
- **SECTION 2A.** "Public opinion polls" will be defined as being an inquiry into Public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people.

- **SECTION 2B.** An “election” shall be defined as being a formal and organized
- Process of electing or selecting someone.
- **SECTION 2C.** “Released to the public” shall be defined as being the act of
- Releasing the information acquired to any person.
- **SECTION 2D.** “Outlawed” shall be defined as being to ban or make illegal, with
- Law.
- **SECTION 3.** The Federal Election Commission will oversee this piece of
- Legislation.
- **SECTION 4.** Any pollster or polling company who conducts an opinion poll and
- Releases the information to any person not involved with the polling shall be
- Fined that of \$500,000.
- **SECTION 5.** This law will take effect October 18, 2016.
- **SECTION 6.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
- And void.

*Respectfully Submitted by Representative Danby, BHS, Maine District*

• **A BILL TO TEST THOSE ON WELFARE**

- **BE IT ENACTED BY THIS STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:**
- **SECTION 1.** Any person who is using a governmental welfare program must be
- Tested by their individual state governments for the use of illegal narcotics.
- **SECTION 2A.** “Welfare” shall be defined as being statutory procedure or social
- Effort designed to promote the basic physical and material well-being of people in
- Need.
- **SECTION 2B.** The tests will be administered randomly twice every year,
- Unknown to those being tested.
- **SECTION 2B.** This test must be implemented on every person, above the age of
- Eighteen, who is currently enrolled on any type of welfare program.
- **SECTION 2C.** Once the tests have been performed, any person who has
- Narcotics use in their body will be automatically suspended from the welfare
- Benefits for a period of one month, where they will then receive another narcotic
- Test. If there is any narcotic usage again, they will be stripped of all further

- Benefits for two years. If they are proven clean after two years, and still require
- Welfare benefits, but use illegal narcotics again they will receive no benefits for
- The rest of their life.
- **SECTION 2D.** All welfare files and records will be open to all states.
- **SECTION 2E.** If people refuse to be tested, they will be stripped of all benefits
- Given.
- **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Health and Human Services will
- Oversee this legislation, by helping and assisting each individual states'
- Department of Health and Human Services, who will be conducting their states'
- Drug tests.
- **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect on July 1, 2014.
- **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
- And void.

*Respectfully Submitted by Representative Danby, BHS, Maine District*

#### **6) A BILL TO ENACT A FLAT TAX**

1. **BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:**
2. **SECTION 1.** The Internal Revenue Tax Code shall be amended to impose all
3. Possible taxable income, capital gains, and monetary investments of every
4. Individual with a tax equal to that of sixteen percent.
5. **SECTION 2.** The tax code will also be altered to eliminate all federal tax deductions,
6. Except those listed in the Energy Policy Act of 2005.
7. **SECTION 3.** The Internal Revenue Service will be delegated to execute this
8. Legislation once enacted as a law.
9. **SECTION 4.** All current penalties for tax-related crimes are still in effect despite this
10. Legislation.
11. **SECTION 5.** This bill will not coincide with any municipal or state taxes, this is
12. Only to be implemented into federal taxes.
13. **SECTION 6.** This legislation will go into effect after February 1, 2013.
14. **SECTION 7.** All laws not listed in previous sections are hereby declared null and
15. Void.

*Introduced by N.D., BHS, Maine District*

#### **• The Employment Non-Discrimination Act of 2013**

- **BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:**
- **Section 1.** Discrimination against LGBT persons in the workplace is hereby banned.
- A, Discrimination is defined as treatment or consideration of, or making a distinction in
- Favor of or against, a person or thing based on the group, class, or category to which that
- Person or thing belongs rather than on individual merit.
- B. LGBT persons are defined as persons who: experience romantic or emotional

- Attraction toward members of the same gender; experience romantic or emotional
- Attraction toward members of either gender, or; identify with a gender other than their
- Own.
- **Section 2.** This legislation will be enforced by the Department of Labor.
- **SECTION 3.** This legislation will go into effect immediately.
- **Section 4.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by DM, FHS*

### • **The Energy Production Reform Act of 2013**

- BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
- **Section 1.** The mining, importation, and burning of coal in the United States is
- Hereby banned.
- **Section 2.** Coal is defined as a combustible compact black or dark-brown
- Carbonaceous rock formed from compaction of layers of partially decomposed
- Vegetation: a fuel and a source of coke, coal gas, and coal tar.
- **Section 3.** The enforcement of this legislation will be carried out by the
- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).
- **SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2042.
- **Section 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by DM, FHS*

### • **A Resolution to Overturn Citizens United**

- **WHEREAS**, the United States Supreme Court Case has defined corporations to be
- equivalent to people in the case Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission; and
- **WHEREAS**, this has large donations to political campaigns by several corporations; and
- **WHEREAS**, these donations have led to massive corruption at the state and national
- Level; and
- **WHEREAS**, the government owes responsibility to its citizens and not corporations;
- Now, therefore, be it
- **RESOLVED**, by the Student Congress here assembled that members of Congress are
- Committed to limit the monetary influence that corporations have on elections.

*Introduced by S.D., Maine District*

### • **A Bill to Illegalize Insider Trading by Members of Congress**

- **BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:**
- **SECTION 1. A.** Insider trading by members of Congress is now illegal.
- **B.** Insider Trading shall be defined as the illegal practice of trading on the stock exchange
- To one's own advantage through having access to confidential information.
- **C.** Members of Congress are any member or employee of Congress.
- **D.** This bill will require any member of Congress to report any transaction worth at least
- \$1000.00 of any stock, bond, commodities, or securities with the Clerk of the House of
- Representatives or Secretary of the Senate.
- **SECTION 2.A.** This will be carried out by the Clerk of the House of Representatives and
- Secretary of the Senate.
- **B.** Arrest and prosecution will be managed by the Department of Justice.
- **C.** Funding will be fit into the budgets of those listed in Subsections A. and B.
- **SECTION 3.** Anyone member of Congress who violates this act will be charged with
- Insider trading.
- **SECTION 4.** This law will take effect on January 1, 2014.

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

*Introduced by S.D., Maine District*

- **A Bill to a Adopt Cap and Trade Policy**

- **BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:**
- **SECTION 1.** The government shall adopt a cap and trade policy to promote green Energy research and reduce carbon emissions to 0% within 55 years.
- **SECTION 2.** This shall be executed by issuing charters to each producer:
  - **A.** requiring all commercial producers of carbon emissions to decrease their carbon Emissions 1% per year for 25 years starting on January 1, 2014.
  - **B.** requiring all commercial producers of carbon emissions to decrease their carbon Emissions by 2% per year for 25 years starting on January 1, 2039.
  - **C.** requiring all commercial producers of carbon emissions to decrease their carbon Emissions by 5% per year for 5 years starting on January 1, 2064.
  - **D.** trading of charters will be limited to 50% of the charter's restrictions on emissions Until January 1, 2039.
  - **E.** trading of charters will be limited to 35% of the charter's restrictions on emissions Until January 1, 2064.
- **SECTION 3.** Any producer of carbon that cannot comply due to financial troubles Can apply for federal subsidies.
- **SECTION 4.** Any commercial producer that does not cooperate will be fined \$100,000 per kilogram of carbon emission released.
- **SECTION 5.** Offsets against Carbon Emissions will not be permitted.
- **SECTION 6.** This legislation shall be enforced by the Department of Energy.
- **SECTION 7.** This law will take effect on June 1, 2013.
- **SECTION 8.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are declared null and void.

*Introduced by S.D., Maine District*

- **A Resolution Concerning Climate Change**

- **Whereas**, scientists mainly agree that climate change is caused by greenhouse Gases such as carbon and
- **Whereas**, large companies emit thousands of tons of carbon into the atmosphere On a yearly basis, be it
- **Resolved**, that the United States government shall hold meeting with these large Carbon emitters (such as electric companies and car manufactures) to discuss ways That they can lower their carbon emissions.
- **Further Resolved:** If these large companies do not wish to find ways to lower Their carbon emission, the congress shall pass a cap-and-trade system on carbon.

*Respectfully submitted for Congressional debate by Rep. AN*

- **A RESOLUTION TO CONSIDER ENGAGING IN A CONTRACT WITH COMPANIES OVER MEDICAL PRODUCTS AND BENEFITS IN THE CONTINENT OF AFRICA**

- **WHEREAS**, millions of Africans from all different countries die every year affected by Diseases that could be easily cured by medicine; and
- **WHEREAS**, even though the medicine is available through most parts of Africa, Africans are still dying because they have insufficient funds to purchase the high-priced Medicine; and
- **WHEREAS**, most drug companies have not budged on giving lower or reduced prices on Medical products and in Africa; now, therefore, be it
- **RESOLVED**, that the United States Federal Government consider engaging in a contract With the prominent drug and medical industries and manufacturers to reduce the cost of Medical products and benefits in the continent of Africa; and, be it
- **FURTHER RESOLVED**, to reduce the prices in all of the fifty-two countries of Africa
- This Congress will consider formulating a meeting between a representative of drug

- Companies, certain governmental officials of the United States Federal Government, and
- a representative from each African country.

*Authored by Rep. ND. Respectfully submitted for Congressional debate by Rep. AN*

- **A Resolution to Investigate the Viability of Vertical Farms**

- Whereas; Vertical farms will cut down on gas use to get produces to the
- Supermarket; and
- Whereas; Vertical farms can lower the cost of living; and
- Whereas; The greater out put potential from the vertical farms can alleviate
- Potential food shortages due to an increasing global population; and
- Whereas; There is no data on the viability of vertical farms monetarily; to be
- Resolved: The Congress here assembled encourages studies to be done by the
- Departments of Agriculture to determine the viability of vertical farms; to be
- Further Resolved: Funding should be earmarked for research on vertical farms. This
- Funding should be prioritized in developing technology in boosting productivity
- Of food in vertical farms and any other technology that can prove itself beneficial
- In the growing of foodstuff in vertical farms.

*Respectfully submitted by Francois Gouin*

- **A Bill to Ensure Government Funding of Music**

- **Section 1.** The U.S. Government shall set aside at least 100 million dollars
- Annually for music programs that can prove to be in great need of funds.
- **Section 2.** A music program shall be defined as a program to introduce music into
- The life of children and teach them how to play an instrument or to sing.
- **Section 3.** If there is any monies left over from the previous year it will be rolled
- Over into the next year.
- **Section 4.** This bill shall be over seen by the Department of Education.
- **Section 5.** This bill shall take effect at the beginning of the 2014 fiscal year.
- **Section 6.** All legislation in conflict with this legislation shall be null and void.

*Respectfully submitted by Francois Gouin*

- **A Resolution to Improve Trade with Greece**

- **Whereas;** Greece's economy is in need of aid in any form; and,
- **Whereas;** The United States cannot afford to lend or give money to ailing nations; and,
- **Whereas;** Trade between the United States and Greece will aid both countries economies;
- And, **Whereas;** aiding Greece could improve the United States reputation globally; to be
- **Resolved;** The Congress here assembled encourages that action is taken to promote trade
- Between the United States and Greece provided that Greece leaves the Euro Zone for any
- Reason.

*Respectfully submitted by Francois Gouin*

- **A Bill to Increase Funding for Researching Alternative Fuel**

- **Be it enacted by the student congress here assembled that:**
- **Section 1:** The research of alternative fuels for automobiles shall in part be funded by
- The Federal Government.
- The Federal Government shall give \$100,000,000 to universities applying for
- Research grants for the purpose for researching alternative fuels for automobiles.
- **Section 2:** This legislation shall be enforced by the Secretary of Energy.

- **Section 3:** This bill shall be enacted at the start of the next fiscal year.
- **Section 4:** All laws in opposition of this bill are declared null and void.

*Submitted by S.Z. from Lincoln Academy*

- **A Bill Concerning the Sales of Certain Fire Arms**

- **Be it enacted by the student congress here assembled that:**
- **Section 1:** All Assault rifles and side arms shall hereby no longer be sold or Distributed in any form to and from common citizens.
- **Section 2:** Assault rifles are defined as any firearm that does not need to be manually Cycled in order to load the next projectile into its chamber.
- Side arms are defined as any small firearm that only needs one hand to aim and fire The weapon.
- **Section 3:** This bill shall be enforced by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms.
- **Section 4:** This bill shall be enacted at the start of the next fiscal year.
- All laws in opposition of this bill are declared null and void.

*Submitted by S.Z. of Lincoln Academy*

- **A Bill to Incorporate Women in the Draft**

- **Be it enacted by the student congress here assembled that:**
- **Section 1:** All women fit for military service shall be incorporated into the draft.
- Women over the age of 18 may be placed on the draft if they are eligible.
- **Section 2:** Women will be treated exactly as men would in the drafting process.
- **Section 3:** This bill shall be enforced by the Secretary of Defense.
- **Section 4:** This bill shall be enacted at the start of next year.
- All laws in opposition of this bill are declared null and void.

*Submitted by S.Z. of Lincoln Academy*