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# **A Bill to Fund Dam Removal to Restore the North American River System**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1. A.** \$2 billion will be allocated for dam removal and river restoration projects.

B. Funds may not be used for lobbying against the installment of new dams.

**SECTION 2. A.** Dam removal projects are defined as organized efforts to remove existing dams, including purchasing dams.

B. River restoration projects are environmental initiatives to repair river ecosystems, especially after a dam removal.

**SECTION 3. A.** The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, in conjunction with the Department of the Interior, will direct these funds.

B. The US Environmental Protection Agency will monitor the progress of these dam removal projects.

**SECTION 4. A.** Funds will be distributed at the beginning of FY2021.

B. The FERC may apply for reauthorization to continue this effort at the beginning of FY2022.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Carter Ley.*

# **A Bill to Distribute Relief funds in order to relieve the effects of the Covid-19 pandemic**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1.** 600 dollars shall be distributed to each American citizen, per month, for three months, who meets the following criteria:

- A) Over 18 and under 65 years of age
- B) Annual income is less than \$75,000 per year. (In the case of income between \$75,000 and \$100,000, recipients are eligible for half the benefits).

**SECTION 2.** "Month" is defined as "month".

**SECTION 3.** The Social Security Administration and the Department of the Treasury shall oversee implementation of this bill.

One-third of the funds for this bill will be appropriated out of the Department of Defense budget.

The remaining funds shall come from evenly-distributed cuts to social security benefits.

**SECTION 4.** This bill will 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 Pelham Memorial High School*

# A Bill to Defend United States Interests in the South China Sea

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1.** The United States will allocate \$600 million to increase intelligence and defense operations in the South China Sea in response to increasing tensions with China.

**SECTION 2.** Intelligence and defense operations include but are not limited to freedom of navigation operations (FONOPs), the improvement of U.S. bases in the South China Sea, and increased surveillance operations.

**SECTION 3.** The Department of Defense shall be responsible for the allocation and distribution of funds and implementation of this bill.

**SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect immediately after passage.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Loyola School.*

# A Bill to Amend the Constitution to Abolish the Presidential Power to Pardon

1   **RESOLVED,**   By two-thirds of the Congress here assembled, that the following article is  
2                   proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which  
3                   shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when  
4                   ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states within  
5                   seven years from the date of its submission by the Congress:

## ARTICLE --

7                   **SECTION 1:**   The President shall no longer have the power to grant any  
8                                   judicial pardons or commutations as outlined in Article 2  
9                                   Section 2 of the Constitution. The words “and he shall have  
10                                  Power to Grant Reprieves and Pardons for Offences against  
11                                  the United States, except in Cases of Impeachment” shall be  
12                                  deleted from the first clause of this article and section of the  
                                Constitution.

**SECTION 2:**   The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by  
                                appropriate legislation.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Loyola School.*

# A Bill to Prohibit the Manufacture, Sale, and Usage of Vape Products

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS CONGRESS THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Henceforward, the manufacture, sale, and usage of vape products will be  
3 banned to relieve the numerous health problems that arise from them including  
4 lung cancer, asthma, cardiac arrest, EVALI (E-cigarette or Vaping Product Use-  
5 Associated Lung Injury), and severe lung disease.

6 **SECTION 2.** Vape products shall be defined as electronic cigarettes, cigarlikes, e-cigars, vape  
7 pens, eGo mods, vape tanks, vape mods, unregulated mods, pod vapes, and  
8 vaporizers.

9 **SECTION 3.** The usage of vape products shall be defined as the usage of vape products in  
10 public environments.

11 **SECTION 4.** The DEA and ATF will be responsible for overseeing the enforcement of this  
12 legislation in conjunction with the FBI and local law enforcement as needed.

13 **SECTION 5.** The usage of vape products will be prosecuted as a misdemeanor and the sale  
14 and manufacture of vape products will be prosecuted as a felony.

15 **SECTION 6.** This bill will be implemented one year from date of passage.

16 **SECTION 7.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

17 *Introduced for Congressional Debate by Luqmaan Thein, Pleasantville High School*

