



**TARHEEL EAST DISTRICT  
CONGRESSIONAL DEBATE  
LEGISLATION PACKET**



**PACKET A**  
**HOUSE – PRELIMINARY LEGISLATION**  
**SENATE – LEGISLATION WITH PRIORITY**

## **A Bill to Remove Marijuana from the Schedule of Controlled Substances**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Marijuana shall be de-scheduled from its current Schedule 1 status under  
3 the Controlled Substance Act. Possession of marijuana is federally  
4 decriminalized.

5 **SECTION 2.** De-scheduling is defined as being removed from the DEA schedule  
6 classification of controlled substances.

7 **SECTION 3.** The Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and the Food and Drug  
8 Administration (FDA) will be responsible for the implementation of this  
9 legislation.

10 **SECTION 4.** This bill will take effect on July 1, 2021.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Cary Academy*

## **A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Require a Minimum Age & Experience Level for Cabinet Level Positions**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **WHEREAS,** cabinet officials can currently be filled by individuals with no to little  
3 experience in their line of duty; and

4 **WHEREAS,** the decisions in their posts can have far-reaching impacts upon the  
5 general population, affecting their welfare and safety in positive and  
6 negative ways; and

7 **WHEREAS,** experience in these positions can help to ensure solid decision-making  
8 that can impact the American population positively instead of negatively;  
9 therefore, be

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

### **ARTICLE --**

16 **SECTION 1.** Presidential cabinet members must be at least thirty-five years of age and  
17 must have at least ten years of experience in the line of duty in which  
18 they have been appointed to serve.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Cary HS*

## **A Bill to Increase SNAP Eligibility**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The maximum income capacity will be pushed up by \$500 in each  
3 category.

4 **SECTION 2.** The categories at which the cap is settled on is extremely low considering  
5 the expenses oneself has to offer and financial capabilities.

6 **SECTION 3.** The Federal Government will oversee and implement this bill.

7 A. Considering that the Federal Government does pay for 100% of SNAP  
8 benefits, there shall be no conflict between civilians.

9 B. During this time of crisis and the way it affects everyone differently.  
10 After being implemented and a 365-day period passes, this bill will be  
11 reviewed and adjusted upon circumstances.

12 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect as of January 2022.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Cumberland International Early College HS*

## **A Bill to End Single-Family Zoning**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States will hereby incentivize states to adhere to ending  
3 single-family zoning.

4 **SECTION 2.** Single-family zones are defined as zoning that prevents communities  
5 from building any type of housing besides a detached single-family home  
6 in a given area.

7 **SECTION 3.** The US Department of Housing and Urban Development will be in charge  
8 of enforcing this bill.

9 A. States who do not comply with this bill will not receive \$1 million in  
10 Community Development Block Grants.

11 B. 10% of new housing units per state must be set aside for moderate-  
12 income households.

13 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect on January 1, 2022 upon passage.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Durham Academy*



**PACKET B**  
**HOUSE – FINALS LEGISLATION**  
**SENATE – RESERVE LEGISLATION**



## The Native American Infrastructure Bill

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Native American tribal communities will be provided with resources to  
3 develop infrastructure for both investment in education and healthcare  
4 services.

5 **SECTION 2.** The following definitions will apply:

6 **A.** Healthcare services will be defined as both internal medical  
7 technology for existing hospitals or other healthcare infrastructure  
8 and the development of emergency equipment, such as medical  
9 transportation.

10 **B.** Native American tribe is defined in Section 4 of the Indian Self  
11 Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C §5304)

12 **SECTION 3.** The Bureau of Indian Affairs will work in conjunction with individual  
13 Native American tribes, the Department of Education, and the  
14 Department of Health and Human Services to implement this legislation.

15 **A.** The Department of Health and Human Services and respective Native  
16 American tribes will be allocated \$2.75 billion for the development of  
17 healthcare infrastructure and emergency service technology.

18 **B.** The Department of Education will work collaboratively with the  
19 Bureau of Indian Affairs and allocate \$750 million toward investment  
20 in educational infrastructure and resources.

21 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect January 1, 2022.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Tarheel East District Committee*



## **A Bill to Promote Open Elections**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States will grant Less Economically Developed Countries  
3 (LEDCs), who agree to utilize blockchain technology to increase the  
4 security of their elections, a maximum of \$50 million per year in foreign  
5 aid.

6 **SECTION 2.** The following definitions will apply:

7 **A.** A Less Economically Developed Country will be defined as a country  
8 where average incomes are below \$15,000 Purchasing Power Parity  
9 (PPP).

10 **B.** Blockchain technology will be defined as a cryptographic ledger which  
11 records inputs and transactions and displays them publicly, often  
12 used in cryptocurrency transactions.

13 **SECTION 3.** The Department of State will oversee the enforcement of this legislation.

14 **A.** The Department of State will evaluate the quantity of aid to be  
15 allocated to each country, not to exceed the maximum limit, in  
16 compliance with Section 1.

17 **B.** The Department of State will ensure blockchain technology has been  
18 in effect for more than 2 years and utilized in at least one election  
19 before aid will be allocated.

20 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go into effect immediately upon passage.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Tarheel East District Committee*

## **A Resolution to Deploy Nuclear Weapons to American Allies in South East Asia**

1 **WHEREAS,** North Korea has amassed a large and dangerous quantity of nuclear  
2 weapons, including intercontinental ballistic missiles (ICBMs), that have a  
3 minimum range of approximately 3,400 miles; and

4 **WHEREAS,** North Korea currently has between 30 and 40 nuclear weapons and have  
5 tested their nuclear weapons multiple times since 2006; and

6 **WHEREAS,** nuclear tests and the threat of future experimentation or attack puts the  
7 sovereignty of surrounding nations at risk, as well as threatening global  
8 security and increasing the likelihood of nuclear war by facilitating the  
9 escalation of tensions by ignoring international law; and

10 **WHEREAS,** Kim Jong-Un announced in January of 2021 that the North Korean  
11 government would advance North Korean nuclear capabilities through  
12 the declaration of a plan to construct submarine-launchable  
13 intercontinental ballistic missiles; now, therefore, be it

14 **RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled make the following recommendation to  
15 the Commander-in-Chief to deploy ultimate range ballistic missiles  
16 (URBMs) to American allies in Asia, including, but not limited to South  
17 Korea and Japan.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Tarheel East District Committee*

## **A Resolution to Establish Full Parental Paid Leave**

- 1 **WHEREAS,** in the United States, there are not currently national paid-leave policies  
2 that enable all parents, in particular male parents, to take time off work  
3 directly following the birth or adoption of a child, putting pressure on a  
4 female parent to assume the majority of the stay-at-home tasks involved  
5 with raising a young child; and
- 6 **WHEREAS,** more than three-quarters of American fathers return to work within one  
7 week of the adoption or birth of their child, fearing they may lose their  
8 jobs if they do not; and
- 9 **WHEREAS,** the expected difference in leave from work leads to discrimination  
10 against women in hiring processes, enabling corporations to avoid  
11 spending money on paid leave; and
- 12 **WHEREAS,** in countries, such as Sweden, where there is an established parental  
13 leave, women earn up to 7% more than they do in countries without  
14 parental leave, and fathers have the opportunity to cultivate a better  
15 relationship with their child; now, therefore, be it
- 16 **RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled make the following recommendation to  
17 all states and territories to establish gender parity with universal parental  
18 paid leave laws

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