Hawai'i Speech League Non-Qualifying Debate Tournament December 12, 2019



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Aloha e Hawai'i Speech League Congressional Debaters and Coaches:

The following legislation is respectfully submitted for the Hawai'i Speech League's Non-Qualifying Debate Tournament on December 12, 2020.

The student who authored the bill will have the right to the Authorship Speech. If they elect not to author their own bill, a representative from their school will have the first right of sponsorship. If no student wishes to sponsor, the debate will move to the first affirmative.

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In the event that all legislation is debated, the chamber will set an agenda to debate the following reserve bills. Debate will begin with a 1st Affirmative Speech, no Authorships or Sponsorships. These bills will not be debated until all primary legislation has been exhausted.

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Students may set any agenda of these items at the tournament with a majority vote. No outside legislation, or "day of" tournament legislation submissions will be accepted. Students may NOT run for presiding officer. The HSL will designate an adult presiding officer. Please direct all questions or concerns to Nick Ernst at nkernst@gmail.com.

Respectfully,

Nick Ernst Director, Congressional Debate

B/R___ A Bill To Ban Gacha Games

BE IT ENACTED BY CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. With the passing of this bill, all games that include a gacha system will be banned from publication and distribution.

SECTION 2. A gacha system is a term to describe a certain type of monetization scheme where consumers spend real or in-game currency to pull for randomized rewards. Pulling is the term used to refer to using the gacha system to obtain randomized rewards. Gacha games focus on the gacha system as a primary game mechanic. As a result the randomized reward mechanics have a direct effect on gameplay. In order to encourage consumers to continue pulling from the gacha system, gacha games utilize a variety of marketing techniques such as free pulls and banners. Banners are limited time events where gacha systems have a higher rate of dropping higher quality rewards.

SECTION 3. Commissions, a division of the Department of Labor in charge of monitoring sales, will oversee the implementation and enforcement of this bill.

SECTION 4. This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2025.

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

Introduced by Legislator Yamamoto.

A Bill to Change the Fines Related to Illegal Firework Usage in Hawaii

BE IT ENACTED BY CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The Hawaii state legislature hereby declares that any combination of possession and usage of illegal fireworks throughout the calendar year in the state of Hawaii shall see a change in penalties awarded per offense. Any situation related to this bill requires hard evidence to be punished. Each offense shall see an increase of monetary fines AND a general decrease of potential incarceration time.

SECTION 2.

- **A.** Fireworks are defined as any explosive with the sole purpose of entertaining and presenting aesthetically pleasing symbols.
 - i. Aerial fireworks are defined as any firework that explodes more than 50 ft. in any direction from the base of its ignition.
 - ii. Any firework that explodes or is consumed over time from a location within 50 ft. from the base of its ignition is null from this bill.
- **B.** Illegally acquired fireworks are any combination of fireworks smuggled or not purchased under shops that have been certified to sell fireworks.
 - i. Possession of illegal fireworks refers to a person having, owning, storing, selling, smuggling, or consuming illegal fireworks.
- **C.** Punishments include the monetary fines and jail time.
 - **i.** Each fine now rewards between \$500 and \$10,000 depending on the level of severity per offense.
 - **ii.** Incarceration time changes from upwards of five years to upwards of a year.
- **D.** Hard evidence can be seized upon a court-warranted search and seizure.
 - i. Current police and fire department protocols regarding the search and seizure of the potential possessions of an owner are unchanged.
 - ii. Noise complaints of an arbitrary amount justifies court-warranted search and seizures.
- **E.** A calendar year begins on New Year's Day and ends on New Year's Eve.
- **SECTION 3.** All police departments, all fire departments, and all courts in the state of Hawaii will oversee the implementation and enforcement of this bill.
- **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect on January 1, 2021.
- **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void. *Introduced by Legislator Calumpit.*

A Bill to Criminalize Abortions

BE IT ENACTED BY CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- **SECTION 1**. This bill will implement a federal ban on abortions with exceptions for pregnancies resulting from sexual assault or where carrying the pregnancy to term would threaten the mother's health. The penalty of an unauthorized abortion will be classified as a felony and can result in a prison sentence from 15 years up to 30 years.
- SECTION 2. Abortion is defined as the act of doing away with an unborn fetus up to birth. Methods can range from surgery to medicine, all of which will be deemed immoral under this bill. Sexual assault is defined as an unwanted sexual act which results in pregnancy. Any case the mother of the unborn fetus brings up must be backed up with hard evidence to present to the court described in section 3A. Health risks in this bill are only those with life threatening consequences.
- **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Homeland Security as well as the Department of Health will oversee the implementation and enforcement of this bill.
 - **A.** In order to gain approval of an abortion the mother of the unborn child must seek approval from her doctor and a certified court in order to justify the abortion.
 - **B.** Abortions will be conducted by a certified doctor within a hospital which passes the health and safety standards of the state.
- **SECTION 4.** This law will be enacted on the 24th of January 2021.
- **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void. *Introduced by Legislator Fujita.*

A Bill to Eradicate Mosquito Populations From American Ecosystems

BE IT ENACTED BY CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- **SECTION 1**. The United States will hereby declare that all mosquito populations presiding within the United States will be eradicated.
- **SECTION 2**. Eradicate is defined as to destroy completely or put an end to.

 Populations are defined as all the inhabitants of particular towns, areas, or countries.
- **SECTION 3.** The Departments of Agriculture, Health and Human Services, and Interior will oversee the implementation and enforcement of this bill.
 - **A.** The Department of the Interior will oversee and enforce all eradication programs, as well as all land acquisitions and management relating to the implantation of this bill.
 - B. The Department of Health and Human Services will oversee and enforce all research and development of eradication programs. Additionally, they will oversee the information campaign intending to inform the public of all programs and regulations relating to this bill.
 - C. The Department of Agriculture will oversee and enforce any and all steps necessary to preserve the wellbeing of American agriculture within a one-mile radius of all eradication programs.
- **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect on January 17, 2021.
- **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced by Legislator Nakayama.

Reserve Docket

A Bill to Instill a Maximum Cost of College Attendance

BE IT ENACTED BY CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- **SECTION 1**. All public colleges will institute a ceiling on the cost of attendance of \$30,000 per year.
- **SECTION 2**. Cost of attendance includes, tuition, fees, room and board.
- **SECTION 3.** The Department of Education will oversee the implementation of this bill.
 - A. Schools which fail to adhere to this ceiling shall not receive Federal loans or grants.
- **SECTION 4.** Implementation of the bill will begin at the commencement of the 2020-21 academic year.
- **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void. *Introduced by the NSDA.*

A Bill to Raise Taxes on Gasoline to Combat the Impacts of Climate Change

BE IT ENACTED BY CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- **SECTION 1**. The Federal government will implement higher taxes on all gas sold in the United States for individual consumption with the goal of disincentivizing citizens from gas usage.
- **SECTION 2**. The tax will be 10.5 cents-per-gallon (CPG). The cents-per-gallon (CPG) flat-tax will be annually adjusted for changes in the Consumer Price Index (CPI).
- **SECTION 3.** The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) will oversee the enforcement of this legislation.
 - **A.** The IRS will work with independent corporations to invest the capital accrued from the tax into the development of alternative energy sources, including but not limited to wind, solar, hydro-electric, thermal, and nuclear power.
 - **B.** The IRS will work with an independent researching agency to analyze the implication of the increased taxation on various socio-economic classes
- **SECTION 4.** This bill shall take effect upon passage, with all laws in conflict hereby declared null and void.

A Resolution to Encourage Integration of Individuals Formerly Convicted of Crimes into the Workforce

- WHEREAS, If the purpose of the correctional system is to rehabilitate individuals convicted of crimes, the high rate of unemployment of formerly incarcerated individuals prevents their productive integration into the American workforce and compounds problems of recidivism; and
- **WHEREAS**, Systemic racism within the criminal justice system has contributed to deep racial disparities in hiring practices; now, therefore, be it
- **RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled urge States to implement legislation applicable for public and private sector employers to prevent questions pertaining to conviction history in initial employment applications, as well as guidance for expungement and record-sealing; and, be it
- **FURTHER RESOLVED,** That States are urged to encourage facilitation of peer-to-peer networks to help employers devise, share, and implement best practices of fair chance hiring to better integrate citizens into the workforce following conviction and/or incarceration; and, be it
- **FURTHER RESOLVED,** That Congress establish a joint oversight committee to audit the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's enforcement of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, particular to race in hiring practices.

A Resolution to Decriminalize Personal Drug Use

- WHEREAS, Huge swaths of the American population are in prison due to a drug-related crime, compounding the already existent issue of individuals getting trapped in the prison pipeline as societal structures create a bulwark against opportunities even once they leave prison, such as employment; and
- WHEREAS, There are currently more than 389,000 people in prisons for drug-related offenses and individuals, consequently, fear the retributively centered American justice system, which discourages them from seeking safe injection sites or medical treatment for overdoses; and
- WHEREAS, The current legal system has demonstrated that the criminalization of drugs lacks incentives for individuals not to use drugs in the ways that government officials hoped, meaning without significant legal alterations individuals will continue to be sent to prison in huge quantities; and
- **WHEREAS**, Oregon in November of 2020 became the first state to decriminalize the possession and personal use of all drugs in small quantities; and
- **WHEREAS**, Oregon is expanding access to addiction assistance and other health services instead of arresting and jailing its vulnerable populations; now, therefore, be it
- **RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled recommend states adopt measures such as Oregon's to decriminalize the possession and personal use of drugs.

Ending Qualified Immunity Act

BE IT ENACTED BY CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. Section 1979 of the Revised Statutes (42 U.S.C. 1983) is amended by adding at the end the following: "It shall not be a defense or immunity to any action brought under this section that the defendant was acting in good faith, or that the defendant believed, reasonably or otherwise, that his or her conduct was lawful at the time when it was committed. Nor shall it be a defense or immunity that the rights, privileges, or immunities secured by the Constitution or laws were not clearly established at the time of their deprivation by the defendant, or that the state of the law was otherwise such that the defendant could not reasonably have been expected to know whether his or her conduct was lawful."

SECTION 2. This bill shall take effect upon passage, with all laws in conflict hereby declared null and void.

Introduced by the NSDA as inspired by H.R. 7085, "Ending Qualified Immunity Act," 116th Congress, sponsored by Rep. Justin Amash.

A Bill to Remove Tax-Exempt Status for Religious Institutions

BE IT ENACTED BY CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. 26 U.S.C. §501 shall be amended to strike all exemptions for religious organizations.

SECTION 2. This legislation shall take effect January 1, 2022, with all laws in conflict hereby declared null and void.