

Chesapeake District Tournament – Bill 101

AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION TO ABOLISH PRISON SLAVERY IN THE UNITED STATES

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT

1. **RESOLVED**, By two-thirds of the Congress here assembled, that the following article is proposed
2. as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all intents and
3. purposes as part of the Constitution when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the
4. several states within seven years from the date of its submission by the Congress:
5. ----- **ARTICLE** -----
6. **SECTION 1.** Whereas the institution of slavery is still ever so present in the prison system, and it
7. is the responsibility of the representatives in this congress to represent and protect all their
8. citizens, both free and incarcerated, it is therefore the obligation of this congress to actively
9. engage in the abolition of slavery once in for all.
10. **SECTION 2.** The phrase “except as a punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been
11. duly convicted” shall be redacted from the text of the XIII Amendment.
12. **SECTION 3.** Section 1 of the XIII Amendment upon passage of this amendment, shall henceforth
13. be read “Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude shall exist within the United States, or any
14. place subject to their jurisdiction.”
15. **SECTION 4.** Congress shall have the power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Rep. Karam Weigert, Woodrow Wilson High School

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A Bill to Enact Substantial Criminal Justice Reform

1 **SECTION 1.** The United States federal government should enact
2 substantial criminal justice reform in the policing of criminal statutes
3 pertaining to the possession and distribution of marijuana.

4 **SECTION 2.**

5 A. Substantial of ample or considerable amount.

6 B. Enact to make into an act or statute.

7 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice will be the specific agency in
8 charge of enforcement and filing lawsuits in the federal court.

9 **SECTION 4.** The bill will go into effect 20 days after passage

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

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13 *Introduced for Congressional Debate by Calvert Hall College High School*

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A Bill to Mandate COVID-19 Vaccinations

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** A vaccine approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to prevent
2 infection of the SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) virus will be mandatory for all
3 adults and children within the approved age group, barring any medical
4 exemptions approved by a licensed medical professional.
- 5 **SECTION 2.**
- 6 a. The “Vaccine” refers to any vaccine approved by the FDA to prevent
7 infection with SARS-CoV-2. As of January 11, 2021, the Pfizer/BioNTech
8 vaccine and Moderna vaccine have been approved by the FDA for those 16
9 years old and up.
- 10 b. Grants will be issued to state and local health departments to set up at
11 least one vaccine distribution center in each county, parish, or other
12 administrative division in the United States, administered by the United
13 States Public Health Commissioned Corps.
- 14 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Centers for Disease
15 Control and Prevention (CDC) and Food and Drug Administration (FDA) will
16 be in charge of implementation.
- 17 A. The FDA will be in charge of approving new vaccines as they are
18 developed and determining safety and efficacy of inoculation
19 procedures.
- 20 B. The HHS and CDC will be in charge of providing information about the
21 vaccination process and setting guidelines for distribution.
- 22 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on March 13, 2021. All laws in conflict with
23 this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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ABill to Lift Sanctions on Iran to Counteract Chinese Influence

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION1.** A. The United States shall remove all sanctions placed on the Islamic
2 Republic of Iran since November 5, 2018.
- 3 B. The United States shall reenter into diplomatic negotiations with Iran
4 including, but not limited to, denuclearization and Iran's provocations in
5 the Persian Gulf.
- 6 C. The United States shall appoint an ambassador (or equivalent) to Iran to
7 oversee negotiations.
- 8 D. All future US aid to and diplomatic talks with Iran shall not be
9 contingent on Iran's domestic policies.
- 10 **SECTION2.** Sanctions shall be defined as all political, commercial, military, and financial
11 penalties imposed on a government, group, or individual.
- 12 **SECTION3.** The Office of Foreign Assets Control under the Department of the Treasury
13 shall oversee the enforcement of this bill.
- 14 **SECTION4.** This legislation will take effect immediately upon passage. All laws in
15 conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Chesapeake District Tournament – Bill 105

A Bill to Increase the Federal Minimum Wage to Create a Strong American Middle Class

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States federal minimum wage shall be incrementally
3 increased to \$15 per hour for covered nonexempt employees. The
4 minimum wage will thereafter be indexed to inflation.

5 **SECTION 2.** Incrementally increased shall be defined as an increase of \$1.00 for every
6 year, with an increase of \$0.75 in the final year, until the minimum wage
7 reaches \$15. After the minimum wage is \$15, it shall be readjusted
8 annually for inflation using the Consumer Price Index.

9 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Labor shall be responsible for the
10 implementation of this legislation.

11 A. The United States Bureau of Labor Statistics shall be responsible for
12 determining the Consumer Price Index annually.

13 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2022.

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

Chesapeake District Tournament – Bill 106

A Bill to Close Guantanamo Bay Detention Camp

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States will formally close the Guantanamo Bay detention
3 camp and revoke claims to the territory occupied by the Guantanamo
4 Bay Naval Base.

5 **SECTION 2.** Each detainee currently held at the detention camp will either be
6 transferred to a non-military prison within the United States and
7 promptly given a trial with due process or released within the United
8 States or to other countries.

9 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice and Department of Defense will enforce this
10 legislation.

11 **SECTION 4.** Prisoners shall be transferred and the territory shall be returned by
12 December 31, 2022.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Rep. Thomas McNulty, Loyola Blakefield

Chesapeake District Tournament – Bill 107

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION TO IMPLEMENT SUPREME COURT JUSTICE TERM LIMITS

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 shall be valid to all
3 intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when ratified by the legislatures of three-
4 fourths of the several states within seven years from the date of its submission by the Congress:

5 **ARTICLE –**

6 **SECTION 1:** Each Supreme Court Justice shall have a tenure of no more than 18 years, at
7 which point they will be replaced by a nominee appointed by the President of the United
8 States. Each replacement shall be staggered by at least two years.

9 **SECTION 2:** Current justices shall continue to serve until they have served for 18 years, at
10 which point they will be replaced. If two or more justices have served for more than 18 years,
11 they will be replaced in the order that they were appointed, with each replacement staggered
12 by at least two years.

13 **SECTION 3:** The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate
14 legislation.

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A BILL TO BAN PREDICTIVE POLICING

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Congress shall ensure that the practice of “predictive policing” is no longer
3 used in federal, state, or local police departments.

4 **SECTION 2.** “Predictive Policing” shall be defined as the application of analytical
5 techniques—particularly quantitative techniques—to identify likely targets for police
6 intervention and prevent crime or solve past crimes by making statistical predictions.

7 **SECTION 3.** A. The FBI, Department of Justice, and local police forces will cooperate
8 on the enforcement of this legislation. The FBI will report back to the Department of Justice
9 when local or state police continue or stop practicing predictive policing.

10 B. If federal, state, or local police departments are found to be practicing
11 “predictive policing”, they will receive a 30% cut to their city budget.

12 C. Funds will be re-allocated once they have observed correct procedures for 6 months.

13 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect 90 days after passage.

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

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A Bill to Mandate Same-Day Voter Registration for Federal Elections to Improve Voter Turnout

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Same-day voter registration shall be offered at all polling locations for federal
3 elections.

4 **SECTION 2.**

5 A. Polling locations shall be defined as any location where ballots are cast
6 during federal elections.

7 B. Same-day voter registration shall be implemented for both primary and
8 general elections.

9 C. To register, eligible voters shall be required to present a valid photo
10 identification and proof of residence. Individuals shall also take an oath
11 that confirms that they are at least 18 years old and eligible to vote.

12 D. Ballots shall include a checkbox that shall indicate whether the voter
13 registered the same day at the polling location or ahead of time.

14 **SECTION 3.** The Federal Election Commission shall oversee the enforcement of this bill.

15 A. The voter registration status indicated on the ballot shall be used to
16 determine whether states and polling locations are following the measures
17 outlined in this bill.

18 B. Should a polling location fail to comply with the voter registration
19 measures outlined in this bill, the state that the polling location was in
20 shall be ineligible to apply for any federal government grants until the
21 state complies.

22 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on June 1st, 2022.

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

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THE FEDERAL FAIR PAY TO PLAY ACT OF 2021

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Postsecondary educational institutions, and athletic organizations with
3 authority over intercollegiate athletics, are prohibited from providing a student athlete with
4 compensation in relation to the athlete's name, image, or likeness, or preventing a student
5 participating in intercollegiate athletics from earning compensation as a result of the use of
6 the student's name, image, or likeness or obtaining professional representation relating to the
7 student's participation in intercollegiate athletics. These groups are also prohibited from
8 revoking a student's scholarship as a result of earning compensation or obtaining legal
9 representation as authorized under these provisions.

10 **SECTION 2.** Postsecondary educational institution~~l~~ is any four-year college or university.

11 Student athlete~~l~~ is defined as a participant in competitive sports sponsored by the educational
12 institution in which the student is enrolled.

13 **SECTION 3.** The National Labor Relations Board shall be responsible for implementation
14 and enforcement of this legislation.

15 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will be implemented January 1, 2022.

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