

A Bill to reduce beverage container waste with can redemption programs

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. All states will implement a Can Redemption Program.

SECTION 2. A Can Redemption Program is defined as a program where retailers charge customers a deposit per can or bottle that can be recouped by returning the container to a designated center.

SECTION 3. The EPA will enforce and regulate this bill.

A. States must implement their own can and bottle redemption program or risk losing up to 15% of their federal highway funding.

B. Redemption programs must cover beverage containers including any plastic, glass, bimetal, or aluminium beverage containers (not including kegs or any similar devices), no larger than 5 gallons.

SECTION 4. This bill will go into effect on January 1, 2023.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Ankeny High school

A Bill for the State of Iowa to prohibit the production and sale of Vape Products

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Section 1. To prohibit all production and sales of Vape products in the State of Iowa.

Section 2. These products include e-cigarettes, vape-pens, e-pipes, e-hookahs, JUUL and any other e-nicotine product.

Section 3. The Department of Iowa Commerce shall oversee this legislation.

1. Dept. of Commerce shall prohibit the production of vape products
2. Dept of Commerce shall prohibit the sale of all vape products

Section 4. This will take effect the next business day after the close of this congress.

1. Cancer deaths from smoking are one of the most preventable deaths in America
2. Vape products target teenage users
3. Thus this ban should take effect immediately.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by CAM High School

A Resolution to create a Veterans Mental Health Day in the State of Iowa

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Section 1. Create a Veterans Mental Health Day in the State of Iowa

Section 2. This day shall be June 14 which is recognized as the birthdate of the military in the United States of America.

1. 25% of veterans suffer from some form of mental illness from combat
2. The State of Iowa should set aside a special day to highlight the mental illness struggles that our Veterans face

Section 3. Iowa State Legislature should enact a Veterans Mental Health Day

Section 4. The implementation date will be June 14, 2022

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by CAM HS

A Bill to ban plastic bags in Iowa

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** The use and creation of Plastics Shopping Bags will be banned in
2 Iowa.

3 **SECTION 2.** Plastic Shopping Bags: A plastic bag, polybag, or pouch is a type of
4 container made of thin, flexible, plastic film, nonwoven fabric, or
5 plastic textile used for carrying purchased retail goods.

6 **SECTION 3.** The Iowa Department of Natural Resources or DNR will oversee the
7 enforcement of this bill

8 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect on 1/1/23

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

11 *Introduced for Congressional Debate by Atlantic High School*

A Bill to provide equality in Iowa School Dress Codes

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** School Dress codes will be created and applied equally across all
2 students regardless of race, national origin, sexual orientation,
3 gender identity, or transgender status.

4 **SECTION 2.** Dress Code: A code made to regulate what clothing cannot be worn
5 in public school. Created: Developed and stated in student
6 handbooks. Applied: enforced

7 **SECTION 3.** The Iowa Department of Education will oversee the implication of
8 this bill.

9 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect on 1/1/22

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Atlantic High School

A Bill to Ban the Commercial Use of Single Use Plastic in the United States

BE IT ENACTED BY THIS CONGRESS THAT:

1. **SECTION 1.** The United States will ban the commercial use of single use
2. plastic.
3. **SECTION 2.** Commercial use is defined as income-generating use of any
4. kind, whether direct or indirect.
5. **SECTION 3.** The United States Environmental Protection Agency
6. shall oversee and enforce this legislation.
7. **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go into effect by January 1, 2025
9. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict of this legislation shall all hereby be
10. declared null and void.

Introduced by Des Moines North High School

A Bill to Raise the Legal Drinking Age to 25 in the United States

BE IT ENACTED BY THIS CONGRESS THAT:

1. **SECTION 1.** The United States will raise the drinking age
2. from 21 to 25 years old.
3. **Section 2.** The drinking age would include purchase and
4. consumption of all alcoholic beverages with an
5. alcohol by volume percentage greater than 0.05.
6. **Section 3.** Bureau of Alcohol, tobacco, firearms, and
7. explosives shall oversee and enforce
8. this legislation.
9. **Section 4.** This legislation shall be in affect on
10. January 2022
11. **Section 5.** All laws in conflict of this legislation shall
hereby
12. be declared null and void.

Introduced by Des Moines North High School

A Bill to Stop the Production of the Penny in the United States

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS THAT:

1. **SECTION 1.** The United States Mint will stop the production of the
2. penny in the United States.
3. **SECTION 2.** The United States Mint is a bureau of the Department
4. of the Treasury responsible for producing coinage
5. for the United States.
6. **SECTION 3.** The Department of Treasury shall oversee and
7. enforce this legislation.
8. **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go into effect in the fiscal year of 2022.
9. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict of this legislation shall hereby be
10. declared null and void.

Introduced by Des Moines North High School

A Bill to Give Puerto Rico Statehood

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. If a majority of Puerto Rico voters so choose, Puerto Rico will become a full member state.

SECTION 2. A full member state is on equal footing with all other US states in such matters as sending legislators to congress.

SECTION 3. During the 2024 election the Puerto Rico ballot will include the question, “Do you approve of Puerto Rico's admission as a State of the Union?”

A. If the result shows a 60% majority approval, then Puerto Rico will submit the results to the President, Senate, and House of Representatives. At which point the president will declare Puerto Rico a full State of the Union.

B. If the 60% majority of votes show disapproval this bill will immediately cease to be in effect.

SECTION 4. The vote will occur during their 2024 election. Statehood will be effective as soon as results are certified and confirmed by the federal government.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Ankeny High School

The Preclearance Over Liable Legislation (POLL) act of 2021

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (preclearance for select voting rights
2 legislation) shall be expanded and standardized under updated guidelines.
- 3 **SECTION 2.** Preclearance shall be defined as “The act of freezing changes in election practices
4 or procedures in covered jurisdictions until the new procedures have been
5 determined, either after administrative review by the Attorney General, or after a
6 lawsuit before the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, to have
7 neither discriminatory purpose or effect”.
- 8 **SECTION 3.** The following election policy legislation shall be subject to automatic preclearance
9 a. Election policy legislation that originates from a state government with
10 over one half of its counties having a voter turnout rate less than 72
11 percent in the previous presidential election.
12 b. Election policy legislation that originates from a state government with a
13 statewide voter turnout of less than 67 percent in the previous
14 presidential election.
15 c. Election policy legislation from states selected by 60 percent of the US
16 Senate as being “high risk” for voting rights violations.
- 17 **SECTION 4.** 50 Million dollars shall be allocated to the US Department of Justice for resources
18 to ramp up preclearance efforts. This money shall come from the United States
19 Department of Defense budget.
- 20 **SECTION 5.** The US Department of Justice, the US District Court for the District of Columbia,
21 and the United States Attorney General shall jointly oversee the implementation
22 of this legislation.
- 23 **SECTION 6.** This legislation shall be implemented on July 1 2022.
- 24 **SECTION 7.** All laws in conflict with this legislation shall hereby be declared null and void.
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Introduced for Congressional Debate by Malcolm Meyn.

A Bill to provide equality in Automobile Insurance

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** Initial Automobile Insurance rates will not be adjusted based strictly
2 on the age of the driver.

3 **SECTION 2.** Rate: The amount of money paid for insurance coverage.
4 Initial Automobile Insurance: The first time a driver is insured.

5 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Motor Vehicles and The National Association of
6 Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) will oversee the implementation
7 of this bill.

8 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect on 1/1/22

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

11 *Introduced for Congressional Debate by Atlantic High School*

A Bill to End Anti-Mask Policies

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** No privately-owned business may institute or enforce a policy prohibiting its employees,
3 customers, or anyone else legitimately on its premises from wearing a face mask.

4 **SECTION 2.** Any violation of this legislation shall be viewed as reckless endangerment and prosecuted
5 accordingly based on the relevant portions of the penal code in the jurisdiction where the
6 crime occurs. Either the entire business or individual employee(s) may be held culpable,
7 depending on the circumstances.

8 **SECTION 3.** An employee, customer, or anyone else legitimately on the premises of a business who
9 demonstrably contracts COVID-19 as a result of a proven violation of this law shall be
10 eligible to have compensatory damages awarded in an amount equal to his or her relevant
11 medical expenses and paid by the defendant.

12 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be jointly overseen by local law enforcement and the Occupational
13 Safety and Health Administration.

14 **SECTION 5.** This legislation shall take effect immediately.

15 **SECTION 6.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

A Bill to Promote Resettlement of Haitian Refugees in Canada

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** \$500 million of the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement budget shall be allocated to
3 provide transportation from the southern U.S. border onward to Canada for Haitian
4 refugees fleeing the crisis brought about by the August 2021 earthquake as well as Tropical
5 Storm Grace. These funds may also be used to provide food, lodging, medical care, and
6 legal support for these refugees as they attempt to immigrate to Canada.

7 **SECTION 2.** As long as funding remains, Haitian refugees who opt not to attempt to continue on to
8 Canada shall be deported back to Haiti.

9 **SECTION 3.** An additional \$500 million in federal aid shall be given to Canada to assist with
10 resettlement of these refugees.

11 **SECTION 4.** All of these funds shall be renewed annually until the United Nations no longer considers
12 Haiti to be in crisis or until three years have passed, whichever comes first.

13 **SECTION 5.** Section 1 and 2 of this legislation shall be overseen by U.S. Immigration and Customs
14 Enforcement. Section 3 of this legislation shall be overseen by the Department of State.

15 **SECTION 6.** This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.

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

A Bill to Standardize National Drug Laws

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** All federal highway funding shall be revoked from any state with drug legislation that
3 contradicts federal drug policy as expressed in the Controlled Substances Act (H.R. 18583)
4 and its subsequent amendments.

5 **SECTION 2.** Any withheld highway funding shall be redirected into the Drug Abuse Resistance
6 Education (DARE) campaign.

7 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall be jointly overseen by the Drug Enforcement Administration and the
8 Federal Highway Administration.

9 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2022.

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



1 WHEREAS children ages twelve and under, who make up the overwhelming majority of Halloween
2 trick-or-treaters, remain ineligible for vaccination against COVID-19; and
3 WHEREAS the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention continue to discourage unnecessary
4 gathering in crowded settings, especially among the unvaccinated, as a result of the
5 ongoing COVID-19 pandemic; and
6 WHEREAS the practice of trick-or-treating comes with and can lead to a variety of other health risks
7 even during normal times; now, therefore be it
8 RESOLVED by the Congress here assembled that municipal corporations throughout the nation,
9 especially cities and those that are more densely populated, are strongly encouraged to
10 ban the practice of trick-or-treating on and around October 31 (Halloween) of this year
11 (2021) and are further encouraged to ban or set parameters on trick-or-treating in all
12 subsequent years to mitigate its negative health impacts.

A Bill to Criminalize the use of Chemical Castration in the Criminal Justice System

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:
2. SECTION 1: The practice of utilizing chemical castration (here being defined as the use
3. of anaphrodisiac drugs for the purposes of inhibiting primary sex characteristics) as a
4. means of either parole or punishment is to be made a class B felony under federal law.
5. SECTION 2: Commissioning the use of chemical castration for the criminal justice
6. purposes outlined above will be made a class B felony under federal law.
7. SECTION 3: Any institutions within the criminal justice system found to be engaged in
8. the practice of retributive castration after the passage of this legislation will have all
9. federal funding revoked after three months, unless a complete report detailing who was
10. responsible for the authorization of the procedure is made, and those who are
11. implicated in the report are to be terminated and are barred from rehire.
12. SECTION 4: The Department of Justice and Bureau of Prisons shall be responsible for
13. the enforcement of this legislation.
14. SECTION 5: This legislation shall go into effect on June 1, 2022.
15. SECTION 6: All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for congressional debate by Burlington Community High School