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A Bill to Admit More Refugees into the United States

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Section 1. The limit on the number of refugees who can enter the United States shall be raised from 15,000 to 210,000 refugees each year.

Section 2. To assist with refugee resettlement, 1 billion additional dollars shall be allocated to the Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR).

Section 3. This legislation will be carried out by the Department of Health and Human Services, State Department, and Department of Homeland Security.

   A. Funding for this piece of legislation will come from the Defense Budget, and will be budgeted each fiscal year.

SECTION 4. This legislation will be implemented at the end of the fiscal year of 2021.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Timpanogos High School
BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Section 1. All U.S citizens over the age of 18 years shall receive a guaranteed monthly income, with no conditions set related to use of the income.

Section 2. Guaranteed monthly income shall be defined as monthly payments of $1,000 to every U.S citizen over the age of 18.

Section 3. The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) shall oversee the implementation of this legislation.

A. Funding will come from a 10% Value-Added Tax (VAT). Products such as groceries and clothing will not be subject to the VAT.

SECTION 4. This legislation will be implemented at the end of the fiscal year of 2021.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Timpanogos High School.
A Resolution to Protect Virtual and Augmented Reality Users

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

WHEREAS, Virtual and augmented reality blurs the line between the digital and physical worlds creating a sense of being present in the virtual world; and

WHEREAS, Global virtual reality is steadily growing and the market size is expected to reach $22.9 billion by the end of 2020, with the United States’ market size projected to be $18.8 billion; and

WHEREAS, The demand for virtual reality applications is increasing in the healthcare sector, gaming, and entertainment media, automotive, manufacturing, and other industries. Of these, gaming and entertainment media covers a 40.5% of the global virtual reality market share; and

WHEREAS, Steam, an online video game distribution service, reported in June of 2019 that the monthly-connected VR headsets on Steam surpassed 1 million for the first time; and

WHEREAS, Virtual reality offers the potential to revolutionize education and training in numerous professional fields; and

WHEREAS, Without established community norms and regulations, virtual reality can become an area for increased virtual assault and harassment; and

WHEREAS, According to Pew Research Center, 41 percent of Americans were subjected to harassing behavior online, while 66 percent witnessed this behavior. For more severe forms of harassment, such as physical threats, sexual harassment or stalking, nearly 18 percent of Americans were targets; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Congress here assembled that Congress will create a commission comprised of representatives from the Entertainment Software Rating Board, Federal Communications Commission, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation to oversee the establishment of codes of conduct for virtual and augmented reality users in the United States.
A Bill to End Anti-Mask Policies

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

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

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

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

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

SECTION 5. This legislation shall take effect immediately.

SECTION 6. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
A Resolution to Recognize Tibet as an Independent Nation

WHEREAS, Tibet originally had autonomy under the 13th Dalai Lama, as well as other religious leaders; and

WHEREAS, China annexed Tibet by militaristic force, culminating in the Seventeen Point Agreement of 1951; and

WHEREAS, China has brutally suppressed Tibetan efforts at independence, such as the death of hundreds of Tibetan rebels in a rebellion against the PRC in 1959; and

WHEREAS, China continues to suppress Tibetan’s freedom of religion, expression, due process of law, and a myriad of other factors; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Congress here assembled that the United States of America shall recognize the Tibet Autonomous Region (TAR) as an independent nation from China.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Timpanogos High School.
The Policing Surveillance Reform Act

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Section 1. In order to hold law enforcement accountable and protect the individual rights of civilians in this realm, all law enforcement officers at the municipal and state level shall be required to wear body cameras while on duty. Additionally, the use of facial recognition technology by state and municipal law enforcement shall be prohibited.

Section 2. Body camera shall be defined as a wearable recording system, including both audio and visual components. Facial recognition technology shall be defined as technology capable of matching a human face from a digital image or video frame with one from a database of faces.

Section 3. The Department of Justice will work with state and municipal governments to enforce this piece of legislation.

A. Funding for this piece of legislation will come from the Defense Budget, and will be budgeted each fiscal year.

SECTION 4. This legislation shall be implemented at the end of the fiscal year of 2021.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Timpanogos High School
A Resolution to Enforce Ghost Riders to be Under 
International Sky Laws and Stuff

WHEREAS, An old cowboy went riding out on one dark and windy day; and
WHEREAS, a herd of red eyed cows tore through the sky with the Ghost Riders thundering behind their fiery brands and steel hooves; and
WHEREAS, Paranormal bovines and Ghost Riders cause thermal swells which cause high air turbulence; and
WHEREAS, Ghost Riders drive the Devil’s Herd which cause carbon emissions to be emitted from the toxic bull-crap ; and
WHEREAS, Their horses snort fire and the cows stomp their hooves causing noise pollution, which is shown to harm small towns and villages; and
WHEREAS, Using the sky for travel and herding is a privilege under International Law; and
WHEREAS, More strict ruling needs to be in effect for non-human and spirits involved with air traffic; and therefore be it,
RESOLVED, By the Congress here assembled that Ghost Riders will be held under International Sky Laws and stuff.

Introduced by Zane Cordova - Ridgeline High School Debate
Sitting President Campaign Accountability Act

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 SECTION 1. An incumbent President of the United States, while campaigning for the office of President, or visiting a public campaign event or rally for any federal, state, or local candidate for public office, shall be expected to reimburse the federal government for the use of Air Force One or other means of transportation; travel expenses for any federal employees who accompany the President on such a trip; and state and local governments burdened with providing law enforcement and other services related to the President’s visit.

3 SECTION 2. A campaign event or rally is defined as any public gathering for the purpose of supporting an individual seek election or reelection to a government office in the United States. Payment by the President may be by a campaign committee or political action committee, but shall not use public/taxpayer funds for campaign travel and business.

4 SECTION 3. The Office of Management and Budget shall annually provide to Congress a report of expenses incurred in the manner described in §1, as well as receipts of payments made in reimbursement for said expenses.

5 SECTION 4. This act shall take 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 the Harvard Debate Council.
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.
A Resolution to Discourage Trick-or-Treating

1. WHEREAS children ages twelve and under, who make up the overwhelming majority of Halloween trick-or-treaters, remain ineligible for vaccination against COVID-19; and

2. WHEREAS the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention continue to discourage unnecessary gathering in crowded settings, especially among the unvaccinated, as a result of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic; and

3. WHEREAS the practice of trick-or-treating comes with and can lead to a variety of other health risks even during normal times; now, therefore be it

4. RESOLVED by the Congress here assembled that municipal corporations throughout the nation, especially cities and those that are more densely populated, are strongly encouraged to ban the practice of trick-or-treating on and around October 31 (Halloween) of this year (2021) and are further encouraged to ban or set parameters on trick-or-treating in all subsequent years to mitigate its negative health impacts.