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1. A Bill to Amend the Constitution to Create Standards for the Creation of Legislation in the United States

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

**ARTICLE 1**

**SECTION 1:** No bill passed in the federal government or that of the several states and territories shall contain more than one subject, and the subject shall be clearly expressed in the title(s).

**SECTION 2:** For every 10,000 words in a piece of legislation in either the federal government or that of the several states and territories, one day is required between its placement on the docket of the full vote and the day the piece of legislation is voted upon unless \( \frac{2}{3} \) of the given chamber agree to waive such a requirement.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Millard North High School.*
2. A Bill to Reimagine Education for the American Dream

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

2. SECTION 1. Institutions of higher education in the United States of America shall ensure parity during application periods through proper regulation of the advantages given to prospective student-athletes and legacy students.

3. SECTION 2. A prospective student-athlete shall be defined as a student intending on participating in a sport as defined by the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) at any higher educational institution. From the point of effect and onward, these institutions may no longer factor athletic performance of any kind in determination of financial aid, scholarship, or support. They also may not prioritize or provide any advantage before or during the admissions and recruiting process (as defined by the NCAA). Any institution found to be in violation of this provision or the spirit of this provision will be investigated by the appropriate authorities listed in Section 5 and will be required to vacate any and all current federal funding and forfeit the right to federal funding of any variety for a period no shorter than 5 and no longer than 20 years.

4. SECTION 3. A legacy student shall be defined as one whose parents, grandparents, nieces, nephews, or siblings are attending or have attended the same institution of higher education for which they are applying. From the point of effect and onward, these institutions may no longer factor a student’s legacy status in determination of financial aid, scholarship, or support. They also may not prioritize or provide any advantage before or during the admissions process. Any institution found to be in violation of this provision or the spirit of this provision will be investigated by the appropriate authorities listed in section 5 and will be required to vacate any and all current federal funding and forfeit the right to federal funding of any variety for a period no shorter than 5 and no longer than 20 years. Furthermore, they may also be liable for civil litigation.

5. SECTION 4. All students currently admitted or enrolled on a scholarship for a cause prohibited above will be allowed to matriculate within 6 years of passage.

6. SECTION 5. The Department of Education and Department of Justice will oversee the implementation of this bill.

7. SECTION 6. This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2022. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Millard North High School*
3. A Resolution to Establish a Gross National Happiness Index in the United States

1 WHEREAS, The happiness of the citizens as well as their contribution towards creating a more holistically livable life is a more important outcome than economic production; and

4 WHEREAS, The UN General Assembly has passed Resolution “Happiness: towards a holistic approach to development” which urged member nations to follow the example that the country of Bhutan has set; and

7 WHEREAS, Happiness within the country should be seen as a “fundamental human goal”; Now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the Congress here assembled make the following recommendation that the United States of America establish a domestic Gross National Happiness Index to be released on a yearly basis.

Respectfully Introduced for Congressional Debate by Lincoln East High School.
4. A Bill to End the Use of Title 42 § 265 Against Asylum Seekers

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. Henceforth, persons seeking asylum within the territorial boundaries of the United States of America will no longer be eligible for expulsion under Title 42 § 265 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

SECTION 2. A. Title 42 § 265 of the Code of Federal Regulations is defined as the policy that gives the US government authority to expel individuals who are supposedly posing a risk of introducing communicable diseases into the US back to their country of last transit.

B. Persons seeking asylum are defined as any individual who has been displaced or fled from their country of origin due to any condition that would legally entitle them to the possibility of gaining asylum status with a receiving country.

SECTION 3. The Department of Homeland Security will oversee the enforcement of this legislation.

SECTION 4. This legislation will go into effect immediately upon passage.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Lincoln High School (NE).
5. A Bill to Tax Labor Automation

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. All companies who use automation to reduce labor costs shall be taxed. The tax will be one third of the gross salary for the jobs lost to automation and will be paid by the company for three years following the loss of employment.

SECTION 2. A. Labor automation is defined as the process of using technology in place of human labor.

B. A universal basic income is defined as guaranteed income for citizens of the United States valued at $1000 per month and would be distributed to those whose jobs are lost due to the sole reason of automation. Funds will come from taxes paid by companies who have used automation to reduce costs.

SECTION 3. The United States Department of Commerce and United States Department of Labor will oversee the enforcement of this bill.

SECTION 4. This legislation will take effect immediately upon passage.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Lincoln East High School*
6. Bill to Abolish Cash Bail in the U.S.

1 IT BE ENACTED BY CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2 SECTION 1. The cash bail system shall be abolished throughout the U.S.
3 SECTION 2. Cash Bail shall be defined as money paid as a deposit for the release
4 of a person who has been arrested.
5 SECTION 3. The Department of Justice shall be responsible for enacting this legislation.
6 SECTION 4. This bill shall take effect upon passage.
7 SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Submitted by Lincoln Southeast High School
7. Investments in Rural Transit Act of 2024

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2. SECTION 1. In states and counties designated as an “area of persistent poverty,” the
3. Federal Government shall provide grants for operating assistance to a
4. provider of public transportation for 80 percent of net operating costs of the
5. project, as determined by the Secretary of Transportation. These areas
6. must already be eligible for the Formula Grants for Rural Areas program of
7. the Federal Transit Administration.
8. SECTION 2. An “area of persistent poverty” means any county in which not less than 20
9. percent of the population has lived in poverty during the most recent
10. 30-year period; a county in which not less than 25 percent of residents are
11. age 65 or older, according to the most recent estimate of the Bureau of the
12. Census; has been designated by the Secretary of Health and Human
13. Services as a health professional shortage area on the basis of a primary
14. care mental health care shortage; and has a population density of not more
15. than 20 persons per square mile of land area.
16. SECTION 3. The Department of Transportation shall oversee this grant program.
17. SECTION 4. This shall go into effect on January 1, 2024.
18. SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Southwest High School
8. A Bill to Mandate Mask Wearing in All Schools Receiving Federal Money

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. In order for any school facility to be eligible to receive any federal money, the school itself must require all persons within the facility to wear face coverings or masks until the Centers for Disease Control declares the pandemic of COVID-19 has concluded.

SECTION 2. For the purpose of this legislation, the minimum criteria a required mask must meet in order to ensure the school maintains eligibility for federal funds are as follows:

A. must completely cover both the mouth and nose;
B. must be a minimum of two - but can be more - layers of washable, breathable fabric;
C. must be worn snuggly against the sides of their face without gaps; and
D. not have exhalation valves or vents.

SECTION 3. The United States Department of Education will be tasked with ensuring that schools who wish to receive federal money for any purpose have a mask requirement in place which is actively followed.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Omaha Central.
9. A Bill to End Poverty

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. **Section 1.** Each year, every American adult shall be granted a UBI of $12,000 USD in monthly payments of $1,000.

2. **Section 2.** American adult shall be defined as all United States citizens or visa holders of 18 years of age and older regardless of income and employment status. UBI shall be defined as a Universal Basic Income.

3. **Section 3.** United States Department of the Treasury shall oversee the implementation of the bill.

4. A. Incarcerated Americans shall not receive the income during their sentence but afterward are able to collect the complete income they did not receive once their sentence has finished.

5. B. Those currently receiving Medicaid, Federal Disability Assistance, and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program assistance shall be given the option to continue with their current program beneficiaries with a reduced UBI portion as decided by the Department of Health and Human Services or may receive the UBI and leave their current programs. Federal Tuition Assistance, Social Security and Veterans Disability can be received simultaneously as the UBI.

6. **Section 4.** Upon passage, this bill shall be implemented by the fiscal year 2023.

7. Funding for this bill shall come from

8. A. Funds reduced from current welfare and social program spending and

9. B. A 10% Value added tax. Each time a sale in a production chain includes a VAT charge on the buyer’s invoice. The VAT is collected every time a business buys a product from other businesses within the product’s supply chain. Clothing, groceries, and hygiene products are exempted from this tax.

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

Submitted by Millard South High School
10. A Resolution to Ban Greek Life on University Campuses

1. WHEREAS, Greek life has had an extensive history of racism in predominantly white, male fraternities; and
2. WHEREAS, Women in sororities are 74% more likely to be sexually assaulted than women that aren’t in them; and
3. WHEREAS, Men are three times more likely to commit rape on college campuses if they are in a fraternity; and
4. WHEREAS, There have been multiple sexual assault allegations raised against members of the Phi Gamma Delta (Fiji) and Sigma Chi in recent months;
5. Now, therefore, be it
6. RESOLVED, That the United States Department of Education withhold federal funding to any college or university that does not ban Greek life from campus.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Creighton Preparatory School
11. A Bill to Add and Increase De-escalation Training for Police

IT BE ENACTED BY CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. All states that do not require de-escalation training for police officers shall require it.

SECTION 2. All police academies nationwide shall increase de-escalation training to 75 hours.

SECTION 3. De-escalation shall be defined as taking action or communicating verbally or nonverbally during a potential force encounter in an attempt to stabilize the situation and reduce the immediacy of the threat so that more time, options, and resources can be called upon to resolve the situation without the use of force or with a reduction in the force necessary.

SECTION 4. The Department of Justice shall be responsible for enforcing this legislation.

SECTION 5. This legislation shall take effect in June 2022.

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

Submitted by Lincoln Southeast High School
12. A Bill to Reform Refugee Policies

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

2. SECTION 1. The United States will join the Global Compact on Refugees. The annual
   refugee cap will be 200,000.

3. SECTION 2. “The Global Compact on Refugees (GCR) is a framework for more
   predictable and equitable responsibility-sharing, recognizing that a sustainable solution
   to refugee situations cannot be achieved without international cooperation”\(^1\) under the
   United Nations Refugee Agency. The annual refugee cap shall be defined as the
   maximum number of refugees allowed to resettle in the United States per year.

4. SECTION 3. The Office of Refugee Resettlement will oversee the implementation and
   enforcement of this bill.

5. A. It is at the discretion of the Office of Refugee Resettlement to raise the cap
   in times of global crisis.

6. B. The United States Federal government shall not deny acceptance of refugees
   based on their country of origin.

7. SECTION 4. This bill goes into effect January 1, 2023.

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

\(^1\) [https://globalcompactrefugees.org/article/global-compact-refugees](https://globalcompactrefugees.org/article/global-compact-refugees)

*Introduced by Marian High School*