



CONGRESSIONAL DEBATE

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# **2022 East Kansas NSDA Docket #1**

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## A Bill to Mandate a Nationwide Duty to Retreat

- 1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:
  - 2 **SECTION 1.** Self-defense shall not be permissible as a legal justification for the use of force,
  - 3 especially lethal force, when the possibility to retreat can be shown to have
  - 4 reasonably existed.
  - 5 **SECTION 2.** This legislation overrides all state stand-your-ground laws.
  - 6 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall be overseen by the Department of Justice.
  - 7 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.
  - 8 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
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## **A Bill to Strengthen HIPAA Rights**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** The scope of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)  
3 shall be expanded to protect patients from being asked to disclose vaccination  
4 status by an employer.

5 **SECTION 2.** Any employer found to have requested this information of a current or prospective  
6 employee shall be fined \$10,000, with the fine doubling on each of any repeat  
7 offenses.

8 **SECTION 3.** Employment decisions based on vaccination status shall henceforth be viewed as  
9 employment discrimination. Employees who believe they may have been the victim  
10 of this sort of employment discrimination are hereby empowered to file a charge of  
11 discrimination with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) and,  
12 subsequently, a job discrimination lawsuit.

13 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be jointly overseen by the Department of Health and the  
14 EEOC.

15 **SECTION 5.** This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.

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

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## A Bill to Award Legal Fees to Winners of Lawsuits

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** The winner of any lawsuit shall receive as part of the settlement an amount equal  
3 to any and all legal fees incurred over the course of the lawsuit, to be paid by the  
4 losing party.

5 **SECTION 2.** In order to satisfy the terms of this legislation, law firms must provide copies of all  
6 invoices to the court overseeing the case within one week of billing.

7 **SECTION 3.** Any law firms failing to provide invoices within the aforementioned timeframe  
8 shall become responsible for those expenses themselves.

9 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be overseen by the Department of Justice.

10 **SECTION 5.** This legislation shall take effect July 1, 2022.

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

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## A Bill to End International Arms Sales

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** No corporation or individual shall engage in the sale of weapons or military technology to  
3 any foreign government, corporation, individual, or other entity.

4 **SECTION 2.** Any violation of this legislation shall be prosecuted as treason in a federal court.

5 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall be jointly overseen by the International Trade Administration and the  
6 Department of Justice.

7 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2023.

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

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## **A Bill to Promote Safety on Film Sets**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** Functioning firearms and live ammunition, whether blanks or bullets, are prohibited on any  
3 film set that requires a license or a permit.

4 **SECTION 2.** Any violation of this legislation shall be treated 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 film company or one or more specific individuals may be  
7 held culpable, depending on the circumstances.

8 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall be jointly overseen by local law enforcement and the Occupational  
9 Safety and Health Administration (OSHA).

10 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect on June 1, 2022.

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

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## A Bill to Stop Uranium Mining and Mitigate Its Effects on Native Reservations

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** Uranium mining is hereby forbidden on Native American Reservations unless specifically  
3 approved by the relevant tribal government and a referendum vote of the relevant tribal  
4 population. Uranium mines are also forbidden anywhere within fifty miles of any water  
5 source utilized by a Native American Reservation, whether that spot is or is not on  
6 reservation land, unless approved by the tribe in the same manner.

7 **SECTION 2.** Within five years of the passage of this legislation, all current uranium mines that meet the  
8 criteria outlined in Section 1, whether active or abandoned, must be closed and completely  
9 remediated until they pose no threat to the surrounding ecosystems or to the health of the  
10 local population as determined by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Centers  
11 for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) respectively. Any privately owned mine shall be  
12 remediated by the corporation that controls it. Any publicly owned mine shall be  
13 remediated by the EPA.

14 **SECTION 3.** Any corporation that fails to remediate a mine within the allotted timeframe shall cede  
15 ownership of the mine and be fined \$10 million. The EPA will then carry out the  
16 remediation independently within five years of federal acquisition.

17 **SECTION 4.** Funding for this bill shall be sourced from a new 5% tax on the annual revenue of uranium  
18 mining corporations and nuclear power plants owned or operated within the United States.

19 **SECTION 5.** This legislation shall be jointly overseen by the EPA, the CDC, and the Bureau of Indian  
20 Affairs (BIA).

21 **SECTION 6.** This legislation shall take effect on July 1, 2022.

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

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## A Bill to Prioritize the Removal of Space Debris

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 SECTION 1. The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) shall receive an additional \$1  
3 billion annually for the express purpose of funding research into the removal of space  
4 debris as well as actual efforts at removing space debris.

5 SECTION 2. Space debris shall be defined as the remnants of defunct satellites or other machinery  
6 placed in space by humans. U.S.-made space debris shall be prioritized for removal, but  
7 other debris may be removed using this funding as well.

8 SECTION 3. Funding for this bill shall be supported by a new 35% tax on the annual revenue of private  
9 spaceflight corporations, to be defined as any corporation currently engaged in efforts to  
10 transport human passengers into outer space.

11 SECTION 4. NASA shall oversee the implementation of this legislation, with the exception of Section 3,  
12 which shall be overseen by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

13 SECTION 4. This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2023.

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

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## A Bill to Promote Immigration of Climate Refugees

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 SECTION 1. Any non-citizens designated by the United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR)  
3 as refugees for reasons related to severe weather events and climate change shall be given  
4 preference and support as United States' immigrants.

5 SECTION 2. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) shall receive an additional \$500 million per  
6 year to be used to publicize this program, locate refugees who qualify, and provide them  
7 immigration and resettlement support. This funding shall be sourced from a carbon tax of  
8 \$1 per metric ton of carbon dioxide emitted to be levied on all corporations, as determined  
9 by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

10 SECTION 3. An additional \$500 million per year shall be made available to states and municipalities that  
11 create programs to welcome and support these refugees, with preference given to  
12 communities that are less susceptible to the effects of climate change based on the  
13 determinations of the EPA. These funds shall also be sourced from the aforementioned  
14 carbon tax and will be administered by the Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR).

15 SECTION 4. Any remaining funds from the aforementioned carbon tax shall be diverted into the  
16 Department of Energy to be used to fund research into and development of renewable  
17 energy sources.

18 SECTION 5. This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.

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

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## A Bill to Increase Transparency in the Marketing of Meat Analogues

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** All supermarkets shall be prohibited from arranging and displaying meat analogues in the  
3 same section as meat products.

4 **SECTION 2.** A supermarket is defined as “a full-line retail grocery store that carries a wide variety of  
5 food and grocery items in particular product categories” (Law Insider).

6 **SECTION 3.** A meat analogue is defined as a food product made from vegetarian ingredients designed  
7 to simulate the taste, appearance, and texture of meat.

8 **SECTION 4.** Any establishment in violation of this law shall be fined \$1000 for the first offense, with the  
9 amount doubling for each subsequent offense. After twelve months without a repeat  
10 offense, this fine shall reset back to \$1000.

11 **SECTION 5.** Any customer who purchases a meat analogue displayed against the provisions of this law  
12 shall be issued a full refund upon request and have cause to pursue legal action against the  
13 offending supermarket.

14 **SECTION 6.** The Food and Drug Administration in conjunction with local food safety inspection agencies  
15 shall oversee the implementation of this legislation.

16 **SECTION 7.** This legislation shall take effect 30 days from the date of passage.

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

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## 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, 2023.

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

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## A Bill to Regulate Graduate Schools

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1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** Establish caps for Grad Plus loan programs of \$50,000 for a master's degree and \$100,000  
3 for a terminal degree (e.g., M.F.A, J.D. Ph.D).

4 **SECTION 2.** Eliminate loan forgiveness programs that waive remaining debt after a 20 to 25 year  
5 payoff period.

6 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Education will oversee the enforcement of this legislation.

7 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect January 1, 2023. Forgiveness programs for those who took  
8 out loans prior to January 1, 2022 will remain intact.

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

## An Amendment on State Antitrust Venues

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1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** To amend title 28 of the United States Code to prevent the transfer of actions arising  
3 under the antitrust laws in which a State is a complainant.

4 **SECTION 2.** Section 1407 of title 28 of the United States Code is amended 1) in subsection (g) by  
5 inserting “or a State” after “United States” and 2) striking subsection (h).

6 **SECTION 3.** The Federal Trade Commission and the United States Department of Justice will oversee  
7 enforcement of this legislation.

8 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect January 1, 2023.

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

*Note: This bill mirrors H.R. 3460 and is currently under review by the judiciary committee.*

## A Bill to Create an “Opt-Out” System for Organ Donation

### A Bill to Create an “Opt-Out” System for Organ Donation

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Individuals registering for state-provided identification bearing an indication of  
3 willingness to donate organs will automatically be registered as organ donors and will have the  
4 opportunity to opt-out.

5 **SECTION 2.** The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services will work in conjunction with  
6 the United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS) and the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV).

7 A. Individuals can opt out when they renew their state-issued licenses or formally state  
8 refusal in a notarized will. Individuals may also make a spoken refusal to donate their  
9 organs as witnessed by two adults, including one disinterested witness, who will sign  
10 at the request of the person seeking the opt-out.

11 B. Suspension, expiration, or revocation of a state-issued identification will not  
12 invalidate a commitment to organ donation.

13 **SECTION 3.** This legislation will go into effect January 1, 2023.

14 **SECTION 4.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

## A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Clarify Pardoning Power

### A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Clarify Pardoning Power

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **RESOLVED,** By two-thirds of the Congress here assembled, that the following article is

3 proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which shall

4 be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when ratified by

5 the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states within seven years from the

6 date of its submission by the Congress:

7 **ARTICLE --**

8 **SECTION 1.** The pardoning power of the president shall exclude the power to pardon

9 themselves, family members, and any individuals who violate law for the personal benefit of the

10 President of the United States.