A Bill to Impose Sanctions on Russia in Order to Avoid an Invasion of Ukraine

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The United States shall place the appropriate economic and diplomatic sanctions on Russia in an effort to help diffuse and avoid the Russian invasion of Ukraine as Congress and the president see fit. In accordance with NATO, if Russia invades Ukraine, all sanctions shall be placed immediately.

SECTION 2. Economic sanctions will include tariffs, trade barriers and restrictions, and restrictions on Russia’s financial transactions with other NATO countries and sanctions on top Russian government personnel and leaders. These restrictions may include removing Russia from foreign lending, placing sanctions on Russia’s banks and Russia’s Direct Investment Fund if deemed necessary. Diplomatic sanctions may include the removal of US embassies from Russia.

SECTION 3. The Office of Foreign Assets Control under the US Department of Treasury shall oversee the contents and passing of this bill.

SECTION 4. This legislation will take effect immediately after the passing of this bill.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Ronald Reagan High School
A Bill to Nationally Mandate Comprehensive Sexual Education

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 SECTION 1. Currently, there are no federal laws mandating children in American schools to receive a proper, comprehensive sexual education course during their schooling.

4 SECTION 2. Comprehensive Sexual Education shall be defined as: A planned, sequential 3rd-12th curriculum that is part of a comprehensive school health education approach which addresses age-appropriate physical, mental, emotional and social dimensions of human sexuality; designed to motivate and assist students to maintain and improve their sexual health, prevent disease and reduce sexual health-related risk behavior.

10 SECTION 3. The United States Department of Education will oversee the implementation of this piece of legislation.

12 SECTION 4. This piece of legislation shall be implemented immediately after passage.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Ronald Reagan High School.
A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to lower the age limits on positions in the Legislative and Executive branch

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 --

SECTION 1: Any candidate for the legislative or executive branch of the United States government must be 25 years or older to be inaugurated.

SECTION 2: The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by West Bend.
A Resolution to Amend the Constitution Codify Roe V. Wade

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 --

SECTION 1: The 1973 Supreme Court majority Opinion in Roe V. Wade written by Justice Blackmun, which established the constitutional right to privacy and a woman’s right to choose shall be hereby be codified as constitutional law.

SECTION 2: The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by West Bend West High School.
A Resolution to Prevent Gerrymandering to Stabilize Voting Rights

WHEREAS, Gerrymandering is the manipulation of the boundaries of voting lines and districts; and

WHEREAS, Gerrymandering is voter manipulation, promoting the party in power and hurting equal representation of voters,

WHEREAS, Gerrymandering intentionally dilutes the voting power of communities in opposition to the majority party in the state legislature so as to maintain power; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Congress here assembled recommend that states change their election map redistricting systems so that a board composed of five appointees from all three branches of government, with two appointees from both the legislative and executive branches and one tiebreaker appointee from the state Supreme court, will have the power to draw and approve new election maps; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That any maps that give an unfair advantage to any political party as determined by Ninth Circuit Judges or higher (in the Federal Judicial Branch) should be redrawn by the board specified above and that all election maps should be monitored for giving unfair advantages by Congress.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Marquette University High School.
A Bill to Ban the Existence of American Territories to Eliminate a Modern Second-Class Citizenship

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. **SECTION 1.** The existence of American Territories shall hereby be banned.

2. **SECTION 2.** American Territories shall be defined as the populated American Territories of American Samoa, U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the Northern Mariana Islands.

3. **SECTION 3.** All U.S. Territories will be given the option to become a state upon passage of this bill. This process shall be completed by January 1, 2029. If these five territories have not become states by this date, they will be granted independence from the United States and will become independent sovereign nations.

4. **SECTION 4.** All Laws in conflict with this bill are hereby null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by West Bend West High School.*
A Bill to Amend Section Four of the Flag Code to Respect Religious Freedom and a Secular State

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. SECTION 1. Section Four of the Flag Code currently reads “The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: ‘I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.’”

2. SECTION 2. The words “under God” Shall be removed from the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

3. SECTION 3. This shall take effect immediately upon passage of this bill.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by West Bend West High School.
**A Bill to Expand Universal Internet Access**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. **SECTION 1.** High-speed broadband access will be extended to everyone. Public private partnerships (PPPs) will be created with internet service providers (ISPs) and the government to build fiber-optic cables across America and provide service through cable networks.

2. **SECTION 2.** High-speed broadband access will be defined as an average downstream time of over 100 megabits per second (mb/s).

3. **SECTION 3.** The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) will be responsible for overseeing and implementing this bill.

4. **SECTION 4.** The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) shall appropriate $8 billion annually over a ten-year period. This bill shall go into effect in FY 2022.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the New Jersey District for the 2022 NSDA State Tournament*
A Resolution to Encourage States to Adopt Right to Work Policies

WHEREAS, The current unionization system limits worker autonomy since the “solidarity” aspect of the unions forces workers who would not otherwise be inclined to join a union to do so; and

WHEREAS, The payment of union dues disproportionately affects low-income workers; and

WHEREAS, States in which union membership is optional are shown to have increases in self-reported and future life satisfaction of workers as well as current and future economic well-being of workers; and

WHEREAS, States in which union membership is optional are shown to have increased employment opportunities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Congress here assembled encourages states to adopt right to work policies making union membership optional in both the public and private sectors. Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Carolina West District

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Carolina West District for the 2021 NSDA State Tournament