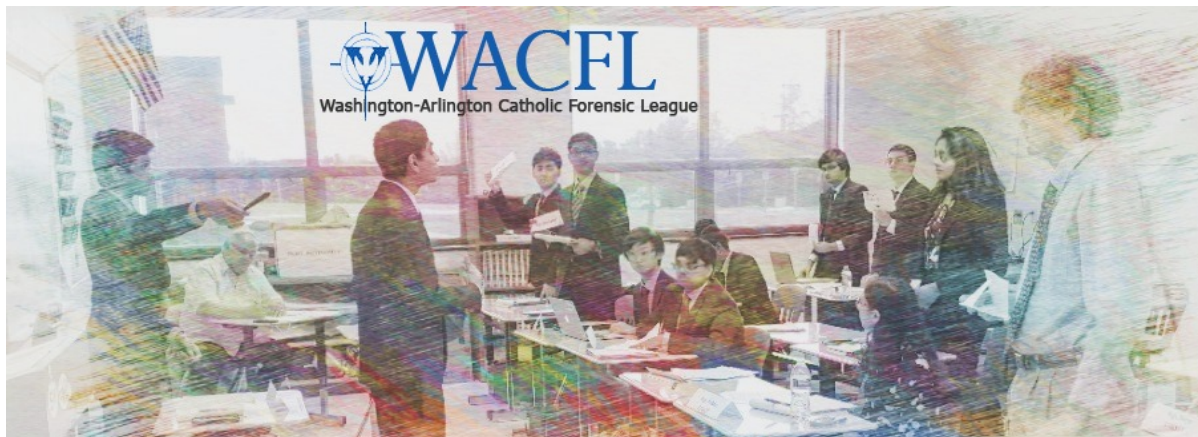




WACFL — Washington METROPOLITAN CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT Student Congress Legislation Packet



March 12, 2022

BILL #534

A BILL TO Terminate Single-Family Zoning TO DIVERSIFY COMMUNITIES

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- ARTICLE I:** The United States shall inspire states to outlaw the restriction of multi-family dwellings—through zoning—by establishing a financial incentive.
- ARTICLE II:** “Single-family zoning” shall refer to borders set by county councils to divide areas permissible or impermissible to dwellings available to more than one family.
- ARTICLE III:** This bill shall go into effect immediately upon its passage.
- Article IV:** The Department of Housing and Urban Development shall compose a program offering \$1 billion block grants for the construction of subsidized housing units to local governments that adhere to this bill’s standards.
- A. The Department of Housing and Urban Development shall release the plan for the block grant program by April 1, 2023, in preparation for fiscal year 2024.
 - B. Local governments guilty of violating the bill’s standards shall be stripped of 20% of any preexisting community development block grants.
 - C. Entities shall be given ninety days from the date of upon passage of this bill to conform with its standards.
- ARTICLE V:** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Respectfully submitted,
Senator Max Freeman*

Walt Whitman High School

Bill #539

**A Bill to Require Private Infrastructure Companies to Upgrade their
Cybersecurity Systems**

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2. **ARTICLE 1.** All private infrastructure companies will be required to upgrade their
3. cybersecurity systems in order to combat rising ransomware attacks.
4. **ARTICLE 2.** Which services fall under “private infrastructure” are to be determined by
5. the executive branch. The specific upgrades needed are to be defined by
6. the standards already determined by the General Service Administration
7. (including further updates).
8. **ARTICLE 3.** The Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency shall oversee the
9. implementation of the security systems.
10. **ARTICLE 4.** The Technology Modernization Fund will be expanded to have the ability
11. to fund private infrastructure and will provide 5 Billion USD in funding
12. for the upgrades.
13. **ARTICLE 5.** This legislation will take effect immediately after passage.
14. **ARTICLE 6.** All laws in conflict with this bill are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted,

Senator Matthew Wong

Walt Whitman High School

Bill #540: A Bill to Ban Semi-automatic Assault Weapons to reduce gun-related deaths

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** This bill makes it a crime to knowingly import, sell,
2 manufacture, transfer, or possess a semiautomatic assault weapon (SAW).
3 **SECTION 2.** A SAW is a repeating firearm whose action mechanism
4 *automatically* loads a following round of cartridge into the chamber and
5 prepares it for subsequent firing.
6 **SECTION 3.** The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives
7 along with local law enforcement would oversee the implementation of
8 this law.
9 A. This bill permits the possession of previously owned SAWs, which will
10 be grandfathered into this legislation, on private property only.
11 B. This bill exempts the prohibition from:
12 a. Importation, sale, manufacture, transfer, or possession related
13 to certain law enforcement efforts, or government authorized
14 tests or experiments.
15 b. Possession by a current or retired law enforcement officer.
16 **SECTION 4.** This legislation would go into effect on January 1st, 2023.
17 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared
18 null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Jasper Lester of Walt Whitman High School.

BILL #4444
A BILL TO BAN ZERO-TOLERANCE POLICIES

Section I: Amend the Gun-Free Schools Zones Act of 1994 to replace the zero-tolerance response framework with one based on positive behavioral interventions and supports.

A. Abolish the standard that a zero-tolerance policy is a prerequisite to receiving federal funding under this act

Section II: A zero-tolerance policy (or Exclusionary school discipline) refers to government-ordered public-school policies that mandate predetermined extreme consequences (most commonly suspension or expulsion) for students' misbehavior without any regard to context.

Section III: The US Department of Education will oversee the implementation of this legislation.

A. Complying states will receive sufficient funding for the implementation of the new positive behavior intervention and supports programs.

B. Violations shall be prosecuted criminally, and the violator fined up to \$100,000 each instance of violation

Section IV: This legislation will take effect on April 1st, 2022.

Section V: All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby null and void.

*Respectfully submitted,
Talía Ehrenberg
Wilson High School*

1 BILL #4445
2 A RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE SAHRAWI ARAB
3 DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC
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5 **WHEREAS,** The Sahrawi people have been fighting for their right to self-
6 determination for the last 140 years, only to be constantly denied
7 liberation
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9 **WHEREAS,** The United Nations consider Western Sahara one of the few non-
10 decolonized territories left in the world
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12 **WHEREAS,** The International Court of Justice has ruled that the Kingdom of
13 Morocco and the Islamic Republic of Mauritania lack a territorial
14 sovereignty tie to the land belonging to the Sahrawi
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16 **WHEREAS,** The Trump Administration's decision to recognize Morocco's claim
17 to the territory is a violation of International Law, giving the country
18 the greenlight to commit acts of violence against innocent civilians
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20 **THEREFORE,** Be it resolved by this Congress here assembled that: the United
21 States rescind its recognition of Morocco's territorial claim and
22 recognize the Polisario Front as the legitimate representative of
23 the Sahrawi people
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25 **FURTHER RESOLVED,** Introduce a resolution at the United Nations to conduct
26 an independence referendum in the territory and extend the
27 mandate for the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in
28 Western Sahara (MINURSO) until the results of the referendum
29 have been enacted
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34 *Respectfully Submitted,*
35 *Representative Karam Weigert*
36 *Wilson High School*

BILL #4446
AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION TO GUARANTEE
HOUSING AS A BASIC RIGHT

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. Whereas millions of Americans are unhoused due to circumstances out of their control, and the American government has the resources to house every person living in the country, it is therefore the obligation of congress to ensure the safety and security of the American people.

SECTION 2. The new XXVIII Amendment will state, “The basic human right that is to be housed shall not be denied to any individual, regardless of creed, class, and character, and shall be guaranteed by this government.”

SECTION 4. Congress shall have the power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Rep. Malcolm Hornsby from Wilson HS

AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION TO ABOLISH PRISON SLAVERY IN THE UNITED STATES

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT

1. **RESOLVED**, By two-thirds of the Congress here assembled, that the following article is proposed
2. as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all intents and
3. purposes as part of the Constitution when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the
4. several states within seven years from the date of its submission by the Congress:
5. ----- **ARTICLE** -----
6. **SECTION 1.** Whereas the institution of slavery is still ever so present in the prison system, and it
7. is the responsibility of the representatives in this congress to represent and protect all their
8. citizens, both free and incarcerated, it is therefore the obligation of this congress to actively
9. engage in the abolition of slavery once in for all.
10. **SECTION 2.** The phrase "except as a punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been
11. duly convicted" shall be redacted from the text of the XIII Amendment.
12. **SECTION 3.** Section 1 of the XIII Amendment upon passage of this amendment, shall henceforth
13. be read "Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude shall exist within the United States, or any
14. place subject to their jurisdiction."
15. **SECTION 4.** Congress shall have the power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

Introduced for congressional debate by Wilson High School