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A Bill to Make Valentine's Day a Federal Holiday

1. **BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:**
2. **SECTION 1.** Valentine's Day (February 14) shall be recognized as a
3. federal holiday.
4. **SECTION 2.** When Valentine's Day falls on a Saturday or Sunday, it shall
5. be observed on the Friday preceding or the Monday
6. following, respectively.
7. **SECTION 3.** On the day Valentine's Day is observed, all non-essential
8. federal government offices shall be closed, stock market
9. trading shall be suspended, and every federal government
10. employee shall be paid for a normal day's work. State and
11. local governments and private businesses are strongly
12. encouraged to observe Valentine's Day similarly as they are
13. able.
14. **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.
15. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
16. and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the NSDA



A Bill to Grant Medical Consent to Minors Above the Age of 13

1. **BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:**
2. **SECTION 1.** Citizens over the age of 13 will get the final verdict in any
3. medical decision. This allows citizens over the age of 13 to
4. make their own opinion on their body rather than a guardian.
5. **SECTION 2.** Medical Consent: when a patient has full control and is able
6. to make decisions medically.
7. **SECTION 3.**
8. **A.** The United States Department of Health will enforce the medical
9. consent age with written consent and a verbal agreement.
10. **B.** Minors over the age of 13 will get priority over their medical
11. decisions than their guardians. This includes getting written consent
12. and verbal agreement before any important medical decisions are
13. made by the patient.
14. **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on July 1, 2023. All laws
15. including competence of persons eighteen years and older
16. and the law for minors' consent for Medical, Dental, and
17. Related Care, will be changed so that instead of Parental
18. Consent for minors over the age of 13 it will be the patient's
19. decision for the final output.
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Introduced for Congressional Debate by Olivia Shults from Golden High School.



A Bill to Address Shopping Cart Pollution

1. **BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:**
2. **SECTION 1.** All retail establishments shall be required to have a shopping
3. cart retrieval program in place.
4. **SECTION 2.** The term "shopping cart retrieval program" shall be defined as
5. a system for collecting and returning abandoned shopping
6. carts on public or private property to the aforementioned
7. retail establishment.
8. **SECTION 3.** The Department of Environmental Protection shall oversee the
9. implementation of this legislation.
10. **A.** The Department of Environmental Protection shall have the
11. authority to impose fines on retail establishments that fail to comply
12. with this legislation.
13. **B.** Retail establishments in non-compliance with this legislation shall be
14. ineligible for any state or local grants.
15. **SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect immediately upon passage.
16. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
17. and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Anna Sundheim from Loveland High School.



A Bill to Require that Fees for Curbside Garbage Collection be Levied by Weight

1. **BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:**
2. **SECTION 1.** Municipalities and companies which provide curbside
3. garbage collection services must charge for these services
4. proportionally based on the amount (measured by weight) of
5. garbage each household or business needs to have taken
6. away. Municipalities and companies may set their own rates
7. for these services.
8. **SECTION 2.** For the purposes of this legislation, garbage is defined as any
9. waste product put out by households or businesses to be
10. taken to a landfill. Curbside recycling and composting pickup
11. shall not be impacted.
12. **SECTION 3.** Congress shall allocate \$1 billion to create a fund to support
13. municipalities and companies in installing scales and any
14. other equipment and technology necessary to enable
15. garbage trucks to weigh waste promptly and reliably.
16. **SECTION 4.** This legislation, including the disbursement of funds as
17. described in Section 3, shall be overseen by the
18. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).
19. **SECTION 5.** This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2025.
20. **SECTION 6.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
21. and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the NSDA



A Bill to Federally Legalize Recreational Marijuana Use to Fund Public Education

1. **BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:**
2. **SECTION 1.** Be it resolved that the United States government will no longer
3. enforce or create laws prohibiting recreational marijuana use,
4. and with this legalization, a tax will be put on THC products.
5. These taxes will go towards public education funding.
6. **SECTION 2.** In order to prevent confusion, we offer the following
7. definitions: "Federally legalized" is when something that was
8. previously illegal and would require legal prosecution does
9. not anymore. "THC products" are any product containing
10. THC, like THC vapes, weed, etc.
11. **SECTION 3.** The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) will no longer be
12. required to prosecute people who use marijuana
13. recreationally. Additionally, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS)
14. will be responsible for tracking and enforcing taxes on THC
15. products.
16. **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2024. All laws in
17. conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Maiké Drennan of Golden High School.



A Bill to Ban the Sale of Toy Guns

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2. **SECTION 1.** The sale of toy guns and any other products marketed
3. toward children that are designed to resemble and/or imitate
4. firearms of any kind is hereby prohibited.
5. **SECTION 2.** Any business found to be in violation of this legislation shall be
6. fined a minimum of \$5,000 and a maximum of \$20,000 per
7. infraction and shall be shut down if found to be violating this
8. legislation more than five times in a twelve-month period.
9. **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall be overseen by the U.S. Consumer
10. Product Safety Commission.
11. **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2024.
12. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
13. and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the NSDA



A Bill to Increase Access to Non-Athletic Competitive Extracurriculars

1. **BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:**
2. **SECTION 1.** Congress shall establish an annual fund of \$250 million to be
3. dispersed to middle schools and high schools around the
4. nation to promote their ability to participate in non-athletic
5. competitive extracurricular events, including but not limited
6. to Speech & Debate, Model United Nations, math teams,
7. Quiz Bowl, and robotics.
8. **SECTION 2.** The Department of Education shall oversee this legislation
9. and shall be responsible for establishing a process by which
10. schools may apply for funding, as well as for determining
11. which schools receive funding and how much funding goes
12. to each recipient. Congress encourages the Department of
13. Education to prioritize support for schools that
14. disproportionately struggle to compete due to geographic
15. and economic disadvantages.
16. **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall take effect on August 1, 2024.
17. **SECTION 4.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
18. and void.

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