

A Bill to Implement a Tax on Fossil Fuels to Fund and Encourage the use of Biodegradable Plastics

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** An additional tax of 0.02% shall be implemented on the
3 purchase of fossil fuels in order to fund and encourage the use of
4 biodegradable plastics. The increased tax on fossil fields would result in
5 the decreased use of fossil fuels and the increasing use of renewable
6 energy sources. The tax on fossil fuels will help raise the revenue being
7 lost from the decreasing taxes on essential components of biodegradable
8 plastics.

9 **SECTION 2.** Fossil fuels are defined as natural gasses, coal, and oil. The
10 encouragement of the use of biodegradable plastics will be done through
11 lowering the tax on its essential components making it a viable cost-
12 friendly alternative to the current plastics. Renewable energy sources are
13 defined as energy collected from natural resources that can be
14 replenished and don't contribute to global warming, such as sunlight,
15 wind, water movement, and geothermal energy.

16 **SECTION 3.** The Internal Revenue Service and the Office of Energy
17 Efficiency and Renewable Energy shall be responsible for the
18 implementation and oversight of this legislation.

SECTION 4. This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2027.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Millburn High School.

A Resolution to Reduce Chip Sanctions upon China

1 Currently, the US has a lack of semiconductor chips which are used to manufacture any
2 technological goods.
3 While strides have been made to keep up demand, the US has continued to implement chip
4 sanctions upon China.
5 These sanctions have not only increased tensions between the US and China, but caused the
6 chip manufacturing industry to fall into uncertainty.
7 With the US TSMC factory still in construction and unable to produce a large amount of
8 semiconductor chips necessary to fix the shortage,
9 That the Congress here assembled reduces sanctions placed on China with regards to
10 semiconductor chips and open potential trade talks.

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Introduced for Congressional Debate by Rep. Akhil Vanka of Ridge High School.

A Bill to Militarize the Philippines to Protect the South China Sea

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 The Department of Defense shall provide military supplies to key Philippine military bases
3 in order to strengthen the US presence in the South China Sea. Additional funding shall be
4 appropriated at the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Armed Services.

5 Military supplies are defined as equipment that readily may be used for military purposes,
6 including, but not limited to, radar systems or military-grade transport vehicles. Key
7 Philippine military bases are defined as any and/or all of the 9 US military bases in the
8 country.

9 The Department of Defense shall oversee the implementation of this legislation, with
10 assistance from the Department of State.

11 1. Oversight and funding shall be provided by the Senate Committee on Armed
12 Services.

13 This bill shall go into effect immediately upon passage.

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

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Introduced for Congressional Debate by Aditya Rai

A Bill to Establish a 4-Day Workweek

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** All federal employers that currently utilize a traditional 5-day workweek in any capacity
3 shall adopt a 4-day workweek in those same contexts, shifting Friday to a non-working
4 “weekend” day where possible. Employers shall maintain an 8-hour maximum for each
5 workday, with no reduction in salaries.

6 **SECTION 2.** Federal employees who volunteer to work additional shifts beyond four days will be paid
7 overtime (minimum pay rate of time and a half).

8 **SECTION 3.** State, territorial, and local governments are encouraged to adopt similar policies, as are
9 private businesses.

10 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be overseen by the Department of Labor.

11 **SECTION 5.** This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2025.

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

A Bill to Limit Employment Drug Testing

- 1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:
- 2 **SECTION 1.** No employer may enact a system of random drug testing or require drug testing
- 3 preemptively as a condition of hiring or of continued employment.
- 4 **SECTION 2.** Any employer found to be in violation of this legislation shall be fined no less than \$20,000
- 5 for each infraction, and any employee who is denied or relieved of employment on the
- 6 basis of drug testing that violates this legislation shall be given the choice of immediate hire
- 7 or reinstatement or of receiving six months' wage.
- 8 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall be overseen by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.
- 9 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2024.
- 10 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.