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# A Bill to Nationalize Energy to Address the Climate Crisis

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1   **SECTION 1.**   The three largest U.S. oil companies, ExxonMobil, Chevron, and  
2                   ConocoPhillips, are hereby nationalized and under the directive of the  
3                   United States Congress.
- 4   **SECTION 2.**   By “nationalized,” the U.S. government will appropriate the property of the  
5                   companies and reimburse them \$300 billion dollars over a four-year period.
- 6   **SECTION 3.**   The U.S. Department of Energy and the Department of Commerce will  
7                   oversee the enforcement of this bill.
- 8                   A. A “Bureau of Energy Production” will be established under these  
9                   departments specifically tasked with this legislation’s enforcement
- 10                  B. All assets of fossil fuel corporations are appropriated by the U.S.  
11                  government for the discretionary use of Congress, including the budget  
12                  of the “Bureau of Energy Production.”
- 13                  C. All excess funds necessary for the enforcement of this bill are at the  
14                  discretion of Congress from the Department of Defense budget until  
15                  the Fiscal Year 2030.
- 16                  D. \$300 Billion dollars will be taken from the budget of the Department of  
17                  Defense for the distribution and payment to the companies.
- 18   **SECTION 4.**   This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2024. All laws in conflict with  
19                   this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
- 20   **SECTION 5.**   All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Hannah Hein of Edina High School.*

# A Bill to Aid Sudanese Refugees

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1   **SECTION 1.**   The United States will hereby subsidize the living costs for all Sudanese  
2                   Refugees.
- 3   **SECTION 2.**   Subsidize is defined as providing financial support through monetary aid,  
4                   and Sudanese Refugees are defined as Sudanese citizens who claim asylum  
5                   in another country upon arrival.
- 6   **SECTION 3.**   The Department of State will oversee and implement this legislation.
- 7                   A. All countries or governments wishing to receive these subsidies must  
8                   record amount of refugees sheltered.
- 9                   B. These subsidies shall exceed no more than \$2 Billion per government or  
10                  country.
- 11 **SECTION 4.**   This legislation will take effect on July 1, 2024.
- 12 **SECTION 5.**   All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Bella Lasker from East Ridge High School.*

# Social Security Protection Act

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- SECTION 1.** This bill serves as an expansion of Social Security and further protection for low-income workers.
- SECTION 2.** Social Security shall be defined as a federal insurance program that provides benefits to retired workers 65 years of age and older and provides support for other purposes.
- SECTION 3.** The new minimum paid social security benefit will be set at 25% above the poverty line and tied to wage levels to ensure the minimum benefit does not fall behind. Further, this bill:
- a. Repeals the Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP) and Government Pension Offset (GPO) that currently reduces Social Security benefits for many public workers, including teachers.
  - b. Increases access to Social Security dependent benefits for children who live with grandparents or other relatives.
  - c. Ends the 5-month waiting period to receive disability benefits.
  - d. Provides an increase for all beneficiaries (receiving retirement, disability, or dependent benefits) equivalent to an average of 2% of benefits to make up for previous inadequate Cost-of-Living Adjustments.
- SECTION 4.** The funding for this bill shall come from increasing the payroll tax (FICA) from 15.3% to 25%.
- SECTION 5.** The United States Social Security Administration shall be in charge of implementing this bill.
- SECTION 6.** This bill shall come into effect on January 1, 2025.
- SECTION 7.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Minnetonka High School.*

# **A Bill to Prohibit Oil Pipeline Development and Use in or through Federally Recognized Native American Land**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- SECTION 1.** All companies and or businesses that engage or work within the distribution of channeling pipeline oil within the U.S. are hereby prohibited from placing pipeline in or through Native American designated or protected lands.
- SECTION 2.** Designated or protected Native American lands are defined as, the 326 Indian land areas in the U.S. that are considered administered as Federal Indian Reservations.
- SECTION 3.** The Office of Justice Services, along with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, will oversee implementation and enforcement of this legislation.
- A. This does not encroach on state laws as the implementation of Native Americans Land across the U.S. was administered as Federal Indian Reservations.
- B. If any company or pipeline rig of oil is caught digging on native land they will be imprisoned for 12 months and will be fined \$100,000 or more depending on the damage caused, all deemed legally by the NAGPRA (Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act).
- SECTION 4.** This bill shall take effect on January 1, 2024.
- SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Eastview High School*

# A Bill to Encourage and Incentivize Volunteering

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1.** The purpose of this bill is to encourage and incentivize volunteering with a tax credit. This bill also sets up a new independent regulatory commission.

**SECTION 2.** This section shall be used to determine loose definitions of section 1.

- A. “Volunteering” is defined as working for an organization or a non-profit without being paid.
- B. Tax credit is defined as an amount of money that can be offset against a tax liability.
- C. For every 2 hours worked, the volunteer will receive a \$50 dollar tax credit.
- D. A new Independent regulatory commission shall be established, that will be called the Volunteer Regulatory Commission (VRC).
- E. This commission will require organizations and nonprofits to register with the commission to be able to allow volunteers to accept tax credits.

**SECTION 3.** The Volunteer Regulatory Commission (VRC), jointly with the IRS, shall be in charge of the implementation of this bill.

**SECTION 4.** This bill shall come into effect January 1, 2024.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Minnetonka High School.*

# **A Bill to Repeal Section 230 of the Communications Decency Act (1996)**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1.** The United States shall repeal Section 230 of the Communications Decency Act.

**SECTION 2.** Section 230 of the Communications Decency Act states that, "No provider or user of an interactive computer service shall be treated as the publisher or speaker of any information provided by another information content provider."

**SECTION 3.** The Federal Communications Commission will be responsible for enforcing this bill and delegate duties to all departments and branches of the U.S. government as it sees fit.

**SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect at the start of the fiscal year 2024.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Rep. Nikita Kravcenko from East Ridge High School.*