

## **A Bill to Expand Bilingualism in America**

- 1 **Section 1:** Only about 20% of American citizens speak more than one language.
- 2 **Section 2:** About 65% of European citizens speak more than one language and 43% of the world
- 3 is bilingual.
- 4 **Section 3:** Bilinguality has been proven to increase economic growth and help prevent cognitive
- 5 decay in populations
- 6 **Section 4:** Foreign language learning in public schools will be required for all student from
- 7 kindergarten through eighth grade if states wish to continue to receive federal funding for
- 8 education.
- 9 **Section 5:** This bill will be implemented in the 2026-2027 school year in order to give school
- 10 districts the necessary time to prepare.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Neshaminy High School

## **A Bill to Institute Universal Preschool to Increase Access to Early Childhood Development**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1.** This bill will officially include preschool as a part of public education allowing further accessibility of preschool for children.

**SECTION 2.** Preschool will be defined as an early childhood program in which children combine learning with play and have an emphasis in learning and development. We define public education as education in schools provided by the government.

A. The goal of this bill is to allow a focus in childhood development that seeks to alleviate monetary stress from parents while providing a safe educational space for children.

**SECTION 3.** The Department of Education will be in charge of overseeing the implementation of this bill.

A. Should any issues arise from the implementation of this bill the proper corrections will be overseen by the Department of Education and Department of Justice.

B. Any monetary support that may need to be implemented for this bill will be taken from the Department of Defense on a yearly basis that will be decided within the next year during further committee meetings related to this bill.

**SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on FY 2025. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Council Rock High School North*

## A Bill to ban single-use plastic in U.S. public schools.

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All publicly-funded schools in the United States are prohibited from  
3 providing single-use plastic in their daily operations.

4 **SECTION 2.** A. Publicly-funded schools include public and charter schools from  
5 kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade that receive funding from taxpayers;

6 B. Single-use plastic includes all petroleum-based plastic polymers  
7 designed to be thrown away immediately after being used. These  
8 include:

9 1. Utensils such as forks, spoons, knives and sporks;

10 2. Water bottles;

11 3. Beverage straws;

12 4. Food wrappers.

13 C. Daily operations include anything related to the servicing of students,  
14 either during the regular school day or during after-school activities.

15 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Department of Education and the Environmental Protection  
16 Agency will jointly implement and oversee this legislation.

17 A. Individual schools or districts found to be in violation will no longer  
18 receive federal funding until demonstrating compliance;

19 B. Individual schools or districts found to be in violation will experience a  
20 reduction in their National Assessment of Educational Progress  
21 scores.

22 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on July 1, 2024.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Upper Merion Area High School.*

## A Bill to Grant Refugees Full Access to Education

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1           **SECTION 1.**    The United States will grant full access to education to all  
2           refugees.

3           **SECTION 2.**    As of June 2023, there are 2.5 million refugee children that  
4           are of school age. Their access to education is limited, with almost half of  
5           them unable to attend school at all.

6           A. As a result of inadequate infrastructure, these kids are frequently  
7           raised in underdeveloped areas where they cannot receive a quality  
8           education.

9           B. These kids will have a difficult time succeeding in the future if they do  
10          not receive the proper education they deserve.

11          **SECTION 3.**    The United States Department of Education will oversee the  
12          implementation of this bill and will allocate \$50 billion.

13                        A. The \$50 billion will be used to create the required  
14          infrastructure, hire qualified teachers, and purchase other essentials for  
15          quality education.

**SECTION 4.**    This legislation will take effect on January 1 2025.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Pennsbury High School.*

**A Bill to Universalize Mental Health Care in the United States**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- SECTION 1.** The United States shall hereby make mental health care services free to all citizens.
- SECTION 2.** “Mental health care services” shall be defined as services from a licensed mental health care provider in psychological assessment and intervention, such as, but not limited to, therapeutic evaluation, counseling, and medication support.
- SECTION 3.** The Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services within the Department of Human Health and Services will be tasked with overseeing the implementation of this bill.
- A.** The United States Mental Health Commission will be formed to determine covered services.
- B.** This legislation shall be funded by a 5% income tax increase on those with a household income of 500,000 USD or more annually.
- SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect in the fiscal year 2024. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Council Rock High School North*

## A Resolution to Return Alaska to Russia to End the Russia-Ukraine War

1           **WHEREAS,**    As of October 2023, the Russian invasion of Ukraine has  
2           resulted in the deaths of thousands of people as well as a humanitarian  
3           crisis, with people in need of food, shelter, and medical assistance; and  
4           **WHEREAS,**    President Vladimir Putin is relentless, refusing to give up in  
5           the conflict without a fight; and  
6           **WHEREAS,**    The United States acquired Alaska from Russia in 1867  
7           through a treaty of cession; and  
8           **WHEREAS,**    Returning Alaska back to its rightful owners can serve as an  
9           important bargaining chip in making Russia retreat from Ukraine; now,  
10          therefore, be it  
11          **RESOLVED,**   That the Congress here assembled that the state of Alaska  
12          shall be given with care to the Russian Federation; and, be it  
13          **FURTHER RESOLVED,** That in return, Russia shall end its ongoing war with  
14          Ukraine to re-establish peace in the region.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by of Pennsbury High School.*

## **A Bill to Abolish Standardized Testing Requirements to Foster Student Growth**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- SECTION 1.** The United States shall hereby ban all requirements of standardized testing in the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). Funding distributions based on standardized testing scores shall be banned and shall be replaced by attendance-based funding distributions.
- SECTION 2.** “Standardized Testing” shall be defined as an academic examination that is similar in admittance and examination across locations.
- SECTION 3.** The Department of Education shall oversee the enforcement of this legislation.
- A. The Department of Education shall disperse federal funding to state education agencies correlating to each state’s relative student attendance from the previous year.
- B. All public schools shall lose thirty percent of their federal funding while in noncompliance with this legislation.
- C. The Department of Education shall review all public schools in noncompliance and will be given the option to retroactively provide funding for public schools if they are both (1) in critical need of funding and (2) have returned to compliance within 180 days of violation.
- SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on August 1, 2023. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Council Rock High School North*

## A BILL TO REPEAL THE PATRIOT ACT OF 2001

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 SECTION 1. All sections of the Patriot Act of 2001 pertaining to the federal government's  
3 capabilities to monitor and collect data, phone calls, images, and any other  
4 private information of United States Citizens specifically Section 215 are to be  
5 repealed.

6 SECTION 2. All FISA Court decisions will be reviewed by an independent national  
7 security congressional committee for any probable cause or reasonable evidence  
8 for  
9 any form of data collection.

10 SECTION 3. The Original FISA Court will be immediately abolished and reinstated with  
11 stricter approval guidelines that are to be drawn up by the National Security  
12 Advisor, the head of the Department of Homeland Security, the head of the  
13 Department of Defense, and the independent congressional committee within 9  
14 months of the passing of the bill.

15 SECTION 4. All data that the committee finds to not have had probable cause or  
16 reasonable evidence linking the individual to a terrorist organization is to be  
17 destroyed.

18 SECTION 5. There will be a complete restructuring of the NSA and the CISA that is to  
19 be overseen by the U.S. Attorney General, the head of the Department of  
20 Homeland Security, and the previously mentioned independent congressional  
21 committee.

22 Section 6. With regards to any individual that either of the two organizations feels  
23 that data collection would be necessary to confirm a particular case going  
24 forward, a request must be submitted to the independent congressional committee  
25 as well as three federal judges from the new substitute for The FISA Courts who  
26 must unanimously approve the collection prior to any data being collected.

27 Section 7. This approval request must contain the individual's, name, age, location,  
28 criminal history, and all definitive links and connections to a foreign or domestic  
29 terrorist cell as well as formal criminal organizations (cartels, mafias, cults, etc.)

30 Section 8. This Legislation will take effect immediately.

31 Section 9. Any remaining articles or laws in conflict with this legislation would be hereby  
32 declared null and void.

33 Introduced For Congressional Debate By William Tennent High School



### **A Bill to Ban Extremely Excessive and Wasteful Packaging**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The use of excessive and wasteful packaging used for the shipment and sale of  
3 products are hereby banned in the United States and all of its territories.

4 **SECTION 2. A.** Plastic, styrofoam, glass, and other types of packaging material create  
5 hazardous pollution and greenhouse gasses that are harmful to the environment.

6 B. 91% of excessive packaging ends up in landfills or the environment which threatens  
wildlife, alters ecosystems, poses risks to human health, and produces planet-warming fuels.

7 C. Water, fossil fuels, petroleum, minerals, and other non-renewable resources are used up  
8 in the manufacturing of this packaging.

9 **SECTION 3.** The U.S.Environmental Protection Agency will oversee the implementation of  
10 this bill.

11 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect immediately on its passing.

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

Respectfully,

*Upper Dublin High School*