

12th Annual Bargain Belt Invitational Student Congress Legislation

A Bill to Lower the Cost of Prescription Medications

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. **Section 1:** The Food and Drug Administration shall create a review board to monitor and
2. identify which commonly used drugs are routinely overpriced by pharmaceutical
3. companies.
4. **Section 2:** The review board set up by The Food and Drug Administration shall
5. determine “commonly used drugs”, as well as define the criteria for, “routinely
6. overpriced”, and have those definitions approved by Congress before section 3 takes
7. effect.
8. **Section 3:** When the FDA Review Board identifies a commonly used drug that is
9. routinely over priced by pharmaceutical companies, the Review Board may issue
10. compulsory licenses to other drug producers to expedite the development of generic and
11. lower-cost alternatives.
12. **Section 4:** This law shall go into effect immediately upon passage.
13. **Section 5:** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

A Resolution to Support Democracy in Central America

1. **Whereas**, the United States supports the development of democracy around the globe to
2. allow people to exercise freedom and autonomy, and
3. **Whereas**, strong democracies improve the quality of life for their citizens , and
4. **Whereas**, the United States has pledged itself to promote and defend democracy around
5. the globe to ensure human rights and freedoms.
6. **Therefore, be it resolved by the Congress here assembled that:**
7. **Section 1:** Over the next 4 years, the United States Federal Government will commit
8. \$200 million dollars to a new Central American Democracy Initiative.
9. **Section 2:** This initiative will seek to build and strengthen democratic institutions and
10. traditions in the countries of El Salvador, Guatemala and Honduras.
11. **Section 3:** The initiative will be administered through the State Department's Bureau of
12. Western Hemisphere Affairs under the direction of the Assistant Secretary of State for
13. Western Hemisphere Affairs.
14. **Section 4:** This law shall go into effect immediately upon passage.
15. **Section 5:** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

A Bill to Build Affordable Living Cities

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. **Section 1:** The United States federal government under the Department of Housing and
2. Urban Development shall establish a new corporation called the “Affordable Housing
3. Development Corporation” (AHDC)
4. **Section 2:** The Department of Housing and Urban Development shall identify and utilize
5. Federal government lands of former military installations which have been closed over
6. the last 50 years in the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) process, to create seven
7. new affordable living cities.
8. **Section 3:** The AHDC shall be funded by an initial \$18 billion investment by the Federal
9. Government with a six year mandate to begin construction on the seven new affordable
10. living cities.
11. **Section 4:** The AHDC will partner with private industry, public agencies and
12. non-governmental organizations (NGOs) to collaborate on the building of these seven
13. affordable living cities.
14. **Section 5:** “Affordable living” shall be defined providing individual and single family
15. dwellings at a cost not to exceed 25% of the annual incomes listed herein: individuals
16. with annual incomes of no more than \$22,500, single family income of no more than
17. \$28,500 and senior citizens on a limited fixed-income.
18. **Section 6:** This law shall go into effect immediately upon passage.
19. **Section 10:** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

A Bill To Nationalize Mandatory Firearm Background Checks

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. **Section 1:** All firearm purchases conducted in the United States, including those from
2. gun shops, gun dealers and private party sales must first be subject to the U.S. Justice
3. Department's National Instant Criminal Background System (NICS) background check to
4. identify whether or not potential firearm buyers are legally prohibited from owning a
5. firearm.
6. **Section 2:** All potential firearm buyers shall be subject to the 10 specified categories of
7. prohibitions outlined in the NICS protocols.
8. **Section 3:** DOJ will develop effective procedures and protocols for private sellers to
9. utilize the NICS system and protocols for a limited fee of no more than 5% of the
10. purchase price of the firearm.
11. **Section 4:** Any and all illegal firearm purchases in the United States not subject to the
12. NICS background check will be punishable by fines and revocation of the seller's Federal
13. Firearm License and felony conviction for the illegal owner.
14. **Section 5:** This law shall go into effect immediately upon passage.
15. **Section 6:** All state and Federal laws in conflict with this bill are hereby declared null
16. and void.

A Bill to Secure the Border

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. **Section 1:** The Army Corps of Engineers shall be directed to construct effective physical
2. barriers along the US-Mexico border.
3. **Section 2:** The Army Corps' top priority is any and all portions of the 700 miles of land
4. border where physical barriers do not exist. The Army Corps should also address the
5. most porous sections of 1250 miles of Rio Grande River border.
6. **Section 3:** The Army Corps of Engineers shall be budgeted \$10 billion over the
7. next four years to complete this construction.
8. **Section 4:** The Army Corps of Engineers shall make an annual report to Congress on the
9. progress it has made in the aforementioned construction.
10. **Section 5:** This law shall go into effect immediately upon passage.
11. **Section 6:** All laws in conflict with this legislation are null and void.