

Champlin Park Debate Invitational

October 12, 2024

Congressional Debate Docket



A Bill to Prohibit the Use of Non-Compete Clauses and Agreements

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- SECTION 1.** Non-compete clauses and agreements unlawfully stifle competition and depress wages for U.S. workers, and banning them would encourage competition, innovation, and increased wages. Therefore, Non-Compete clauses and agreements will be prohibited in the United States. All current Non-Compete clauses and agreements will be declared null and void.
- SECTION 2.** A Non-Compete clause or agreement shall be defined as an agreement stating that an employee may not enter into competition with an employer or become a competitor after their current employment period is over.
- SECTION 3.** The Federal Trade Commission shall oversee and implement this bill. The Federal Trade Commission shall provide all resources needed for this legislation.
- SECTION 4.** This bill will be implemented immediately after passage.
- SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Eagan High School.

A Bill to Reform the United States Naturalization Interview

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** The United States Citizenship and Immigration Services shall remove
2 the English and Civics assessment portions of the U.S. Citizen
3 Application through the Naturalization process.
- 4 **SECTION 2.** The United States Naturalization “English Test” is defined as a test
5 that assesses the applicant's ability to read, write, speak, and
6 understand English. The English test includes a reading and writing
7 component. The United States Naturalization “Civics Test” is defined
8 as a test that assesses the applicant's knowledge of U.S. history and
9 government.
- 10 **SECTION 3.** The United States Citizenship and Immigration Services will remove
11 the English and Civics assessments in the U.S. Citizen Application
12 process.
- 13 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect in fiscal year 2025.
- 14 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and
15 void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by East Ridge High School.

A Bill to Abolish Capital Punishment in the United States

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** Capital punishment is hereby abolished in the United States.
- 2 **SECTION 2.** “Capital punishment” is defined as taking the defendant's life as the
- 3 punishment for the defendant's crime.
- 4 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice (DOJ) will oversee the implementation of this
- 5 bill.
- 6 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2025.
- 7 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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A Bill to Ban Pharmacy Benefit Managers (PBMs)

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. Pharmacy Benefit Managers (PBMs) shall be prohibited from engaging with drug manufacturers and insurance companies to profit from manipulating medicinal insurance benefits and drug formularies.

SECTION 2. Ambiguous terms are defined as follows:

1. Pharmacy Benefit Managers (PBMs) are individuals or companies acting as intermediaries between drug manufacturers and insurance companies.
2. Manipulate is defined as (but is not limited to):
 - a. Charging fees,
 - b. Selling spots on patients' drug formularies; and
 - c. Raising drug prices.

SECTION 3. The Food and Drug Administration will work in compliance with the Federal Trade Commission to oversee the implementation of this legislation.

SECTION 4. This legislation will be put into action on January 1, 2025.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Eagan High School.

A Bill to Raise Taxes on Tobacco Products

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** The tax rate on tobacco products will be increased to 250%.
- 2 **SECTION 2.** Tobacco products shall be defined as any consumable or inhalable product
3 that includes nicotine or other tobacco-related compounds.
- 4 **SECTION 3.** The Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau will enforce the tobacco
5 tax.
- 6 A. If any seller is found to violate this bill, they will be fined \$50,000 and
7 30% of their profits.
- 8 B. The money raised by the tax will first be used to fund targeted
9 advertisements to teenagers to raise awareness of alcohol, drugs, and
10 e-cigarettes. Any excess money will be used to increase the supply of
11 Naloxone, a drug to treat narcotic overdoses.
- 12 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1st, 2025.
- 13 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
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A Bill to Restore the Right to Vote to Felons

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The United States will hereby restore the right to vote to all previously incarcerated felons.

SECTION 2. A felon shall be defined as a person convicted of a felony.

SECTION 3. The U.S. Department of Justice will oversee the implementation of this legislation.

A. Any state violating this legislation will receive a 7.3% cut in discretionary funding.

SECTION 4. This legislation will take effect on October 31, 2024.

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

Submitted for Congressional Debate by Eastview High School.

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Remove the Sovereign Immunity Clause

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

RESOLVED, By two-thirds of the Congress here assembled, that the following article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states within seven years from the date of its submission by the Congress:

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SECTION 1. This Congress hereby declares that the Sovereign Immunity Clause shall be abolished. This is a modification of the 11th Amendment.

SECTION 2. The Sovereignty Clause is as follows: The Judicial power of the United States shall not be construed to extend to any suit in law or equity, commenced or prosecuted against one of the United States by Citizens of another State, or by Citizens or Subjects of any Foreign State.

SECTION 3. This clause places the government above the law and is inconsistent with the Constitution and the United States' democratic ideals.

SECTION 4. This Congress shall have the power to enforce this article with proper legislation.

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A Bill to Make College More Accessible

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. This bill aids people who take loans out for college by forgiving them based on their annual income.

SECTION 2. A college is defined as any four-year or two-year post-secondary institution.

SECTION 3. The Department of Education will oversee the bill's enforcement and the specific enforcement mechanism.

A. The amount of forgiveness is adjusted based on annual income. People who make less than \$30,000 a year after college would receive a 90% reduction in their monthly payment; people making \$30,000 to \$50,000 would receive a 70% reduction in their monthly payment; people making \$50,000 to \$75,000 would receive a 50% reduction in their monthly payment; people making \$75,000 to \$100,000 would receive a 25% reduction in their monthly payment; and people making \$100,000 to \$200,000 would receive a 10% reduction in their monthly payment.

SECTION 4. This bill will be implemented by July 1st, 2024.

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

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