

A Bill to A Bill to Legalize Election Betting

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** Placing bets on the outcomes of elections shall no longer be banned within
- 2 the United States.
- 3 **SECTION 2.** Like all forms of gambling, election betting must be conducted by an
- 4 authorized, certified, and regulated agency.
- 5 **SECTION 3.** Revenue earned from election betting shall be taxed at a rate of 20%, with
- 6 funds raised through this tax to be turned over to the Federal Election
- 7 Commission (FEC).
- 8 **SECTION 4.** The Commodity Futures Trading Commission shall oversee this legislation.
- 9 **SECTION 5.** This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.
- 10 **SECTION 6.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate - open to sponsorship.

A Bill to Ban Medical Patents

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- SECTION 1.** All medical patents shall hereby be nullified, and the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office shall be restricted from issuing any and all medical patents in the future. The National Institutes of Health (NIH) shall be allocated an additional 60 billion dollars per year to finance the research and development done by the pharmaceutical industry.
- SECTION 2.** Medical patents shall be defined as patents on any medication, medical device, or medical process that prevent other competitors from producing similar medications, devices, or processes.
- SECTION 3.** The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, the Department of Commerce, and the Department of Health and Human Services shall oversee the enforcement of this legislation.
- 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.

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A Bill to Mandate Renewable Energy Usage in Federal Buildings to Reduce National Carbon Emissions

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All newly constructed and renovated federal buildings shall be powered by
3 renewable energy sources, including but not limited to solar, wind, and
4 geothermal energy. This will help reduce the national carbon footprint.

5 **SECTION 2.** "Renewable energy sources" are defined as sources that naturally
6 replenish, including solar power, wind power, geothermal energy, and
7 hydropower.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Energy will oversee the enforcement of this policy, with
9 specific responsibilities delegated to its Office of Energy Efficiency and
10 Renewable Energy (EERE).

11 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect in FY 2025.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by East Ridge High School.

A Bill to Restrict Individual Stock Ownership by Federal Government Officials

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. This Congress here assembled shall ban the ownership, sale, and trade of securities and commodities by federal Congresspeople, the President, the Vice President, the Supreme Court, and all other federal judges, and their spouses and dependent children.

- A. All newly elected government officials shall be required to sell their securities and commodities within thirty days of taking office. All incumbent officials shall be given until the implementation date to sell their shares.
- B. Beneficial ownership, including through a blind trust, is also prohibited.
- C. If shares are not sold, elected official(s) will be removed from office, and their seat(s) will be considered vacant. Judges will be reappointed following standard procedure.

SECTION 2. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) shall be responsible for overseeing this legislation.

- A. The IRS shall create a new Committee for Government Financial Responsibility to enforce this legislation.

SECTION 3. This legislation shall be put into effect on November 1, 2025.

SECTION 4. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Bloomington Debate.

A Bill to Repeal the Defend Trade Secrets Act

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The Defend Trade Secrets Act (18 U.S.C. § 1836) shall be repealed.

SECTION 2. Trade secrets are defined as all types of information, regardless of how stored or maintained, for which the owner has taken reasonable measures to keep secret and which has independent economic value.

SECTION 3. The Federal Trade Commission shall be tasked with overseeing and implementing this legislation.

SECTION 4. This bill will take effect on July 1st, 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 Ensure Technological Infrastructure Equity in Educational Systems

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall designate \$30 billion in funds to low-income
3 schools to upgrade their technological infrastructure. Funds will be sent
4 directly for the district to divide and spend on technological infrastructure
5 based on the district's will.

6 **SECTION 2.** Technological infrastructure will include physical electronics such as
7 computers and tablets and software such as online textbooks. This is a
8 partial list of technological infrastructure. It is just an example of what
9 districts can spend their money on.

10 **SECTION 3.** Funds will be requisitioned from the Department of Defense's Budget for
11 FY 2025. The Department of Education is implementing the bill and
12 dispersing funds.

13 A. The funds will be distributed depending on the number of students in
14 each district.

15 B. Extra funds will be recouped by the Department of Education to be
16 used the following year.

17 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on September 1, 2026.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Edina High School.

A Resolution to Refund FEMA

- 1 **WHEREAS,** The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has been
2 underfunded, and there is an immediate need for its assistance in the
3 United States; and
- 4 **WHEREAS,** Every department of the U.S. government will be tasked with reducing
5 unnecessary costs to provide additional funding to this program; and
- 6 **WHEREAS,** Using these funds, FEMA will be able to support the influx of natural
7 disasters and provide additional resources to these natural disasters'
8 victims; therefore, be it
- 9 **RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled will add additional funding back into
 FEMA.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by STMA High School.

A Bill to Reduce Military Presence Abroad

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Military will significantly reduce its military presence
3 globally by the following actions:

4 A. Reduce the total number of foreign deployed military personnel by
5 85%.

6 B. Reduce the total number of operating military base installations from
7 over 750 to under 20 globally.

8 C. Return all equipment globally to the United States or work with arms
9 sales to transfer the equipment to host countries where an agreement
10 exists.

11 D. Unoccupied U.S. military bases will be leased back to the host country
12 for use.

13 **SECTION 2.** Military personnel include all branches: Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force,
14 Space Force and Coast Guard. Additionally, military personnel include all
15 uniformed, non-uniformed, and private military contractors in the region.

16 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Defense shall oversee the removal of troops, bases,
17 and equipment. The United States Senate will receive annual reports
18 from the Department of Defense on their progress.

19 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on July 1st, 2025, with the expected
20 completion of the drawdown by July 1st, 2032.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate Robbinsdale High School.