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1 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall immediately lift all economic, financial, and trade
2 sanctions imposed on the government of Venezuela, its institutions, and its
3 citizens. Additionally, the U.S. government shall substantially increase
4 efforts to engage in diplomatic relations with the Venezuelan government,
5 with the goal of maintaining open trade and encouraging improvements in
6 human rights and democratic governance.

7 **SECTION 2.** "Sanctions" shall be defined as all economic restrictions, asset freezes,
8 travel bans, and trade limitations imposed by the U.S. government on
9 Venezuela, including those authorized by the Venezuela Defense of Human
10 Rights and Civil Society Act of 2014, Executive Orders 13692, 13808, and
11 related legislation.

12 **SECTION 3.** The Department of State, in conjunction with the U.S. Department of the
13 Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control, shall oversee the
14 implementation of this legislation

15 A. The U.S. Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control
16 shall oversee the removal of all sanctions and restrictions on Venezuela.

17 B. The Department of State shall oversee the foreign policy and diplomatic
18 issues regarding this legislation.

19 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect immediately upon passage.

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Introduced for Congressional Debate by Flower Mound High School.

A Bill to Ban Assault Weapons in the US

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** To enhance public safety, the manufacturing, distribution, sale,
2 possession, and importation of assault-style firearms is hereby prohibited
3 across the United States.

4 **SECTION 2.**

5 A. "Assault-style firearms" refer to semi-automatic weapons that accept
6 detachable magazines and possess one or more military-style
7 features, including but not limited to pistol grips, folding stocks, or
8 barrel shrouds.

9 B. The production and sale of such firearms for civilian use are strictly
10 prohibited.

11 C. Exemptions are granted solely for military applications, law
12 enforcement operations, and research purposes, as authorized by
13 federal oversight.

14 D. Individuals currently in possession of such weapons will be required
15 to surrender them to authorized law enforcement agencies or
16 designated federal collection sites within 180 days of the effective
17 date. They shall be reimbursed with 25% of the purchase price of the
18 weapon itself.

19 **SECTION 3.** The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF) will
20 oversee the implementation of this legislation. Following the surrender
21 period, any possession, transfer, or attempted sale of assault weapons
22 will be classified as a federal felony, punishable by up to 10 years in
23 federal prison and/or a fine of \$25,000 per violation.

24 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on August 1st, 2025. All laws in conflict
25 with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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A Resolution to Refrain from Allocating Financial Aid to Ukraine to Prioritize Domestic Needs

- 1 **WHEREAS,** Providing financial assistance to Ukraine may not effectively address the root
2 causes of the conflict and could exacerbate tensions with Russia, potentially
3 escalating the situation; and
- 4 **WHEREAS,** allocating resources to Ukraine may divert attention and resources away from
5 pressing domestic issues within the United States, such as economic recovery,
6 healthcare, and infrastructure; and
- 7 **WHEREAS,** there is concern over corruption within the Ukrainian government, raising
8 questions about the efficacy and accountability of aid funds allocated to the
9 country; and
- 10 **WHEREAS,** the United States faces significant fiscal challenges, including rising deficits and
11 debt levels, limiting the feasibility of providing extensive financial support to
12 foreign nations; and
- 13 **WHEREAS,** the involvement of the United States in international conflicts, such as the
14 conflict in Ukraine, may strain diplomatic relations and lead to further
15 entanglement in complex geopolitical dynamics; now, therefore, be it
- 16 **RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled should carefully consider the potential
17 drawbacks and implications of providing financial assistance to Ukraine, taking
18 into account both domestic and international concerns; and, be it
- 19 **FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the United States should cut all its current funding (incl. bilateral aid,
20 military aid, humanitarian assistance, or anything similar that its purpose is to
21 benefit Ukraine) to Ukraine.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Clark High School.

A Bill to Increase Research and Development in Cloning for Organ Duplication

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Thousands of Americans spend years on organ donor waitlists. We call
3 this Congress here assembled to invest in research and development into
4 cloning technology for Organ Duplication.

5 **SECTION 2.** Organ Duplication Technology will be defined as methods of cloning that
6 are only developed for cloning already living organisms, including but not
7 limited to somatic cell nuclear transfer, artificial wombs, and/or
8 xenotransplantation.

9 **SECTION 3.** The United States will direct 15 billion dollars of total funding to subsidize
10 the cloning/biotechnology industry over a 5-year period. The funding
11 shall be provided for by the Department of Defense.

12 **SECTION 4.** The Department of Health will oversee the funding implementation to
13 increase R&D using private contractors to conduct the research.

14 **SECTION 5.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2026. All laws in conflict with
15 this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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FI

A Resolution to Repeal Section 702 of FISA to Increase International Individual Privacy

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **WHEREAS,** The United States enacted the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA) in
2 1978 out of concern for national and international safety by setting regulations
3 on surveillance and
- 4 **WHEREAS,** Section 702 is a provision on the Act, which allows targeted surveillance of non-
5 US citizens in order to gain information, with the mandatory assistance of
6 content service providers, reauthorized on April 20, 2024; and
- 7 **WHEREAS,** While the provision is beneficial for preventing acts of terrorism and other
8 crimes in the United States, it has allowed for the warrantless collection of
9 intelligence of electronic communications such as phone calls and electronic
10 mail; and
- 11 **WHEREAS,** The policy of allowing warrantless surveillance without an adequate search
12 warrant for intelligence officials, such as the Foreign Intelligence Bureau (FBI),
13 leading to a loophole which has allowed any non-citizen's privacy breached on
14 any suspicion, known as a "backdoor" search and
- 15 **WHEREAS,** Many persons in the United States in minority ethnic, political, or social groups
16 have been prosecuted on the basis of Section 702 with secrecy behind its
17 mechanisms of prosecution; be it
- 18 **RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled repeal Section 702 of the Foreign Intelligence
19 Service Act (FISA), colloquially known as "Section 702" and, be it
- 20 **FURTHER RESOLVED,** That this Congress refuse to include other provisions that allow
21 intelligence officials to gain information based on electronic communications of
22 non-US citizens under the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Clark High School.

F2

A Bill to Prohibit School Vouchers to Ensure Equitable Public Education

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** New school voucher programs that allocate public funds to private or
2 religious schools shall be prohibited nationwide. All existing school voucher
3 programs shall be phased out within fiscal years.
- 4 **SECTION 2.** For the purpose of this bill:
- 5 A. School vouchers shall be defined as government- funded scholarships that
6 allow students to attend private schools instead of public schools.
- 7 B. Public education refers to taxpayer-funded K-12 schooling governed by
8 state and local education agencies.
- 9 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Education will oversee the enforcement of this
10 legislation
- 11 A. State education agencies must report annually on their use of public
12 education funds
- 13 B. States found in violation will face a reduction in federal funding
14 proportional to the amount spent on school voucher programs.
- 15 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on July 1, 2025. All laws in conflict with this
16 legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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F3

Aid for Syria's Humanity Act (ASH) v2

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall lift all economic sanctions on Syria and provide \$2
2 billion in direct aid to the Interim Government of Syria. The aid will
3 support post-conflict reconstruction, stabilization efforts, and the
4 transition to democratic governance under international oversight.

5 **SECTION 2.**

- 6 A. "Economic sanctions" shall refer to all financial, trade, and economic
7 restrictions imposed by the U.S. government on Syria, excluding those
8 related to terrorism, weapons proliferation, and human rights abuses.
9 B. "Interim Government of Syria" is the provisional governing authority
10 established in December 2024, led by President Ahmad al-Sharaa.
11 C. "Direct aid" shall include humanitarian assistance (food, water,
12 medical supplies), infrastructure development funding, and military
13 training/intel.

14 **SECTION 3.**

- 15 A. The U.S. Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets
16 Control (OFAC) shall oversee the removal of sanctions.
17 B. The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), in
18 coordination with the U.S. Department of State, shall administer and
19 monitor the aid (annual audits) provided.

20 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect during FY 2026. All laws in conflict with this
21 legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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F4

A Bill to Fund High-Speed Rail Development to Improve Transportation Infrastructure

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** \$100 billion of funding shall be allocated to the development and
3 implementation of high-speed rail systems across the United States.

4 **SECTION 2.** A High-Speed Rail System is defined as a rail network capable of
5 sustained speeds exceeding 150 miles per hour.

6 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Transportation and Federal Railway Administration
7 (FRA) will oversee enforcement of this legislation.

8 A. Funding shall come from the U.S Department of Defense.

9 B. The FRA must submit a plan of action detailing the location of
10 railways they will construct as well as which sections of pre-
11 existing railways they will maintain to Congress within 6 months
12 of this legislation taking effect. There must be focus on
13 maintaining high-speed railroads first and then constructing new
14 railroads second.

15 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect at the start of FY 2026.

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

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