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A Bill to Create a Federal Insurance Program to Make Insurance Accessible

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2. **SECTION 1.** A federal insurance program will be created in order to prevent price gouging from insurance companies, thus making insurance more accessible.
3. **SECTION 2.** A Federal Insurance Program is a federally managed insurance program offering insurance services including but not limited to: health, auto, auto liability, house, and disability insurance.
4. **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Treasury will oversee the enforcement of this bill. The Department of Treasury will receive funding through a new tax of .5% on unrealized capital gains.
5. **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on June 1st 2026.
6. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
7. *Introduced for Congressional debate by Jack Solari of Oregon City High School.*

A Bill to Establish an Upper Limit on Class Sizes

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** This bill will place an upper limit of 18 children per class in grades K-5 and
3 an upper limit of 24 children per class for grades 6-12. One teacher must
4 be present in the room for every 18 or 24 students, depending on the
5 grade level, making the ratio 18:1 or 24:1.

6 **SECTION 2.** Grades K-5 shall be defined as Kinder, First Grade, Second Grade, Third
7 Grade, Fourth Grade, and Fifth Grade.

8 Grades 6-12 shall be defined as grades six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven,
9 and twelve.

10 "Class sizes" shall be defined as the number of children in each individual
11 class or class period.

12 **SECTION 3.** This shall be overseen by the Department of Education to ensure the
13 enforcement of this piece of legislation.

14 A. Any funding necessary to pay for additional teachers' salaries shall be
15 taken from the military budget.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Lincoln High School.

A Bill to Progressively Increase the Minimum Age Requirements for Alcohol and Tobacco to Reduce its Harmful Impacts

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. This bill will progressively increase the legal alcohol and tobacco use age by one year every year for people who are born on or after 2025.

SECTION 2. The progressive increase on alcohol and tobacco use age will work as follows: Each year, people who are born will need to be one year older in order to legally use alcohol or tobacco. For example, anyone born before 2025 will need to meet the standard minimum age of 21, but people born in 2025 will have a minimum alcohol and tobacco use age of 22, those born in 2026 will have a minimum age of 23, etc.

SECTION 3. This bill simply changes the minimum age named in the 1984 National Minimum Drinking Age Act and 2019 amendment to the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act. All enforcement mechanisms currently in place are unchanged by this bill and must change to be compliant with the new minimum age requirements.

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

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

Introduced For Congressional Debate by Justin Evers of Oregon City High School

A Bill to Reform the Composition of Coins to 80% Copper, 20% Nickel to Decrease Costs

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT starting in 2026 the US
2 Mint will produce “nickel” 5-cent pieces out of solid 80/20 Cupronickel. The US Mint will also
3 produce Dimes, Quarters, and Half Dollars out of 80/20 Cupronickel clad to a solid copper
4 core. As long as the US Mint continues to find the transition to these new compositions to be
5 seamless and cheaper than the current compositions.

6 **SECTION 1.** Coins currently being produced are more expensive than they need to be.

7 **SECTION 2.** 80/20 Cupronickel refers to a metal alloy consisting of 80% copper and 20%
8 nickel. Seamless is defined as the new compositions of the coins having the same weight, size,
9 and electro-magnetic signature as coins currently being minted.

10 **SECTION 3.** The US Mint will carry out this change and it will not require any additional
11 funding.

12 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2026 or when the US Mint begins
13 minting coins dated “2026”. Conflicting parts of the Coinage Act of 1965, 1970 Coinage Law,
14 and any other law in conflict with this legislation is hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted,
Abner C. Campbell

A Bill to Require Employers to Provide Paid Family Leave to Employees

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. All employers shall be required to provide a minimum of 8 weeks of paid family leave at 80% of their current income, and 8 additional weeks of unpaid leave.

SECTION 2. A. Paid family leave is defined as a policy that allows employees to receive a portion of their wages while taking time off from work for the birth, adoption, or foster care placement of a child, and/or to care for a seriously ill family member.

B. Employer is defined as a person or company that provides a job paying wages or a salary to one or more people in a contractual agreement.

C. Employee is defined as a person receiving wages or a salary for a job in a contractual agreement.

SECTION 3. The United States Department of Labor will oversee the enforcement of this bill.

SECTION 4. This legislation will take effect on January 1st, 2026.

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

Introduced for Congressional debate by Luciana Smith of Oregon City High School.

A Bill to Require Federal Paid Parental Leave

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** This bill secures federal paid parental leave for all people living in the
3 United States of America, allowing for parents to take care of their babies.

4 **SECTION 2.** A. The term “baby” refers to an infant between the ages of zero to one.

5 **SECTION 3.** This will be overseen and strongly enforced by the United States Office of
6 Personnel Management.

7 A. All federal employees with babies will have (at the most) one year off
8 of work, while still getting paid. As soon as parents feel ready, they
9 will come back to work.

10 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on June 5, 2025. All laws in conflict with
11 this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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Introduced for Congressional Debate by Lincoln High School.

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Limit the Age of Politicians

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

ARTICLE --

7 **SECTION 1:** **A.** No US Citizen over 70 years of age shall be allowed to
8 run, be appointed, or be nominated for the offices of:
9 President, Vice President, Congressman, and Supreme Court
10 Justice of the United States.

11 **B.** Supreme Court Justices must leave their positions on the
12 Supreme Court by the age of 70, and will be offered the
13 option of serving on a lower court. Any Justices over the age
14 of 65 at the time of the ratification of this amendment shall
15 be exempt from this amendment.

16 **SECTION 2:** The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by
17 appropriate legislation.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by William Sánchez of Lincoln High School.

Bill to Abolish the Pink Tax to Ensure Gender Pricing Parity

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The Pink Tax is hereby abolished, prohibiting any form of gender-based
3 pricing discrimination for products and services

4 **SECTION 2.** “Pink Tax” is defined as the practice of charging different prices for
5 products or services that are essentially the same, but are marketed
6 towards different genders

7 A. Gender based pricing discrimination : the act of pricing goods or services
8 differently based solely on the targeted gender of the consumer

9 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Consumer Affairs will conduct regular audits and
10 inspections of retailers and service providers

11 A. Consumers can file complaints regarding violations, which the
12 Department will investigate

13 B. Persistent violators may face additional sanctions, including
14 suspension of business licenses and patents until the violating
15 behavior is stopped and confirmed by the Department

16 **SECTION 4.** This bill will be implemented on January 1st 2027. All laws in conflict with
17 this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Lincoln High School.

Bill to Increase Funding to Sustainable Agriculture

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The government will increase base funding to the Conservation
3 Stewardship Program to a total of \$2.5 billion per Fiscal Year.

4 **SECTION 2.** “Base funding” is defined as the funds an organization receives yearly.
5 The IRA established base funding of \$1 billion per year to the CSP, and it is
6 separate from the incrementally increasing new funding.

7 **SECTION 3.** This will be enforced by the USDA. The funding will come from subsidies
8 designated for industrial farms. The USDA’s Farm Service Agency will
9 oversee the transfer of funding to make sure it does not hurt the
10 agricultural industry.

11 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on October 1, 2025. All laws in conflict with
12 this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Lincoln High School.

A Bill to Promote Domestic Electric Vehicle Sales

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** The New Clean Vehicle Tax Credit shall be amended to half
2 the credit given to users who buy electric vehicles with batteries that have
3 components or materials that have been extracted, processed, recycled,
4 manufactured, or assembled by a prohibited foreign entity.

5 **SECTION 2.** “Prohibited foreign entities” refer to North Korea, China,
6 Russia, or, Iran

7 **SECTION 3.** The International Revenue Service shall oversee this
8 legislation.

9 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1st 2026. All laws
 in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Beaverton High School.

Bill to Require College Athletes to Receive a Salary

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** This bill requires student-athletes playing for their colleges to be paid a
3 salary based on their sport and skill level.

4 **SECTION 2.** A: The term “student-athlete” is defined as a full-time or part-time
5 student of a university or college who also participates in an organized
6 and competitive athletic program offered by the school.

7 **SECTION 3.** This bill will be overseen and enforced by the National Collegiate Athletics
8 Association (NCAA).

9 A. It is left to the discretion of the NCAA to determine the magnitude of
10 each player’s salary.

11 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on August 1, 2024. All laws in conflict with
12 this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Adam Blakey of Lincoln High School.

1 **SECTION 1.** After 15 years have passed since the crime was committed, eyewitnesses
2 of trials will be removed and unable to be called to testify in regards to any
3 ‘visual’ remembrance of a criminal or civil act committed.

4 **SECTION 2.** The United States Department of Justice (DOJ), will enforce the
5 implementation of this law in the United States of America.

6 **SECTION 3.** Fines of \$800 (USD) will be implemented on prosecution or defense cases
7 which obey this law. Throughout the states. Penalties if not followed shall
8 include a fine of \$800.

9 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall be enacted starting January 1, 2025. All laws in conflict with
10 this legislation is hereby declared null and void.

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Introduced for Congressional Debate by Stella Perea Jovanovic, Beaverton High School.

A Bill to Remove Lead From Public Water Stations In Schools

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** This bill would make it so that public schools' water must be tested every
2 year for levels of lead in their drinking fountains. If high levels of lead are
3 detected in school waters new filtration must be added before the
4 beginning of the following year.

5 **SECTION 2.** a. Public schools are defined as any federally funded school.
6 b. Lead levels exceeding 5 parts per billion are dangerous to human
7 health.

8 **SECTION 3.** This bill would be overseen by the:
9 a. State Department of Health - to regulate mandatory checks in
10 school and adjust filtration as necessary.
11 b. Federal Department of Health (FDA) - to regulate and mandate
12 state by state checking.

13 **SECTION 4.** The state will reimburse school districts, charter schools, and ESDs for the
14 direct lab costs associated with mandatory testing of water and filtration
15 installation.

16 **SECTION 5.** This legislation will take effect January 1st 2025. All laws in conflict with this
17 legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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28 *Introduced for Congressional Debate by West Linn High School*

A Bill to Preserve Religious Freedom and Secular Governance

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** The United States government shall not endorse, promote, or favor
2 Christian nationalism or any interpretation of Christianity as the basis for
3 American law or public policy.
- 4 **SECTION 2.** “Christian nationalism” shall be defined as a political ideology and cultural
5 framework that seeks to merge Christian and American identities,
6 promoting the idea that the United States is or should be a Christian
7 nation.
- 8 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice shall be responsible for enforcing this Act.
9 A. Any person may bring a civil action for a violation of this Act.
10 B. The Department of Education shall develop curriculum guidelines that
11 promote understanding of religious freedom, the separation of church
12 and state, and the dangers of theocracy.
13 C. This Bill applies only to future government actions and does not
14 retroactively affect any existing laws, policies, or practices
- 15 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2026. All laws in conflict with
16 this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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Introduced for Congressional Debate by Katherine Corso from West Linn High School.

A Bill to Create a Treaty Organization in the Indo-Pacific

1 Be It Enacted By The Congress Here Assembled:

2 **Section 1.** This bill if enacted would lead the United States government to seek a
3 comprehensive Alliance treaty that functions like NATO in the indo-pacific region
4 comprising of Australia, New Zealand, Japan, South Korea, The Philippines, Thailand,
India

7 **Section 2.** This bill would create a treaty that would integrate their military forces and
8 allow and encourage free trade between member states, and integrate intelligence and
9 cybersecurity forces, Require Mutual defense in the case of attack between all
10 members. Any ratifications to the treaty created can be made by a 3/4 majority vote in
11 favor of the ratification by all member states and new members can join the treaty by
12 ratification. Additionally, annually a council will meet between all member states to
13 discuss issues and encourage increased cooperation.

14 **Section 3.** This legislation will be overseen by The Department of State.

15. **Section 4.** This legislation will take effect immediately and ratification of the treaty as
16 will begin as soon as its Provisions are great upon by all member states

17 **Section 5.** All laws and conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void



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A Bill to Make New Year's Eve a Federal Holiday

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** New Year's Eve (December 31) shall be recognized as a federal holiday.

3 **SECTION 2.** On New Year's Eve, all non-essential federal government offices shall be closed, stock
4 market trading shall be suspended, and every federal government employee shall be paid
5 for a typical day's work. State and local governments and private businesses are strongly
6 encouraged to observe New Year's Eve in similar fashion as they are able.

7 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.

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

A Bill to End Pretextual Traffic Stops

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** Law enforcement officers throughout the United States and its territories are henceforth
3 prohibited from conducting pretextual traffic stops.

4 **SECTION 2.** A pretextual traffic stop is defined as the detainment and investigation of a motorist for an
5 offense that does not present a clear and present danger to those on or near the roadway
6 or which is conducted primarily to pursue suspicion of a more serious crime.

7 **SECTION 3.** Any law enforcement agency found to be in violation of this legislation shall lose federal
8 funding until such time as compliance is reached. Any officer found to be in repeated
9 violation of this legislation shall be disciplined up to and including termination.

10 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be overseen by the Department of Justice.

11 **SECTION 5.** This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.

12 **SECTION 6.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

A Bill to Ban Fluoridation of Public Water

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** The addition of fluoride to public water supplies is hereby banned throughout the United
3 States and its territories.

4 **SECTION 2.** Any jurisdiction found in violation of this legislation shall lose all federal funding until
5 compliance is reached.

6 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall be overseen by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

7 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect 90 days from the date of passage.

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

A Bill to Abolish the Department of Education

- 1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:
- 2 **SECTION 1.** The Department of Education is hereby abolished.
- 3 **SECTION 2.** All former duties of the Department of Education shall be either abandoned or reassigned
- 4 to other agencies, at the discretion of the President of the United States.
- 5 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall take effect on July 1, 2025.
- 6 **SECTION 4.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

A Bill to Extend Veterans' Benefits to Returned Peace Corps Volunteers

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** All veterans' benefits are hereby extended to Returned Peace Corps Volunteers (RPCVs)
3 who have successfully completed their service.

4 **SECTION 2.** This legislation shall be overseen by the Peace Corps in conjunction with the Department of
5 Veteran Affairs.

6 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2025, and apply retroactively to all living
7 RPCVs.

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

A Resolution to Celebrate and Protect Surrogacy for Foreign Nationals

- 1 **WHEREAS** A prominent European nation which already bans its citizens from becoming parents
2 through surrogacy has now criminalized the same practice even when pursued abroad; and
- 3 **WHEREAS** This is a clear infringement of basic human rights and a shameless and overreaching attempt
4 to enforce traditionalist and reactionary notions of family that have no place in the 21st
5 century; and
- 6 **WHEREAS** As a global leader, the United States owes it to the international community to reject such
7 hatred and speak up for human rights around the globe; now, therefore be it
- 8 **RESOLVED** by the Congress here assembled that foreign nationals who visit the United States seeking
9 to become parents through surrogacy because they are forbidden from doing so in their
10 homeland are to be celebrated and supported in these pursuits; and be it
- 11 **FURTHER RESOLVED** that Congress encourages all who are involved in such undertakings here in the
12 United States to do their best to serve foreign nationals in a way that shields them to the
13 greatest extent possible from potential recriminations from their home governments; and
14 be it
- 15 **FURTHER RESOLVED** that Congress calls upon all foreign governments not just to decriminalize so-
16 called surrogacy tourism but also to legalize and regulate the practice within their borders.

A Resolution to Encourage the Recognition of Northern Cyprus

- 1 **WHEREAS** As of this past July, the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus, commonly known as Northern
2 Cyprus, has been the de facto government of the northeastern portion of the island of
3 Cyprus for half a century; and
- 4 **WHEREAS** Official recognition by and normalized relations with the international community would do
5 enormous good for the nearly 400,000 people who call this territory home; and
- 6 **WHEREAS** Movement in this direction would also be enormously beneficial for relations between the
7 United States and Turkey; now, therefore be it
- 8 **RESOLVED** by the Congress here assembled that the Executive Branch is strongly encouraged to
9 recognize the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus and to establish an embassy in North
10 Nicosia as soon as is practicable; and be it
- 11 **FURTHER RESOLVED** that Congress encourages the rest of the international community to make haste
12 in following suit.



1 **RESOLVED,** That the following article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United
2 States, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when
3 ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states within seven years from
4 the date of its submission by the Congress:

6 **SECTION 1.** No citizen shall have their right to vote infringed at any point or for any amount of time on
7 account of having been accused or convicted of a felony.

8 **SECTION 2.** All citizens who are, at the time of ratification, disenfranchised for such reasons shall
9 immediately have their right to vote restored.

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1 **RESOLVED,** That the following article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United
2 States, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when
3 ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states within seven years from
4 the date of its submission by the Congress:

6 **SECTION 1.** Paragraph three of Article II of the Constitution shall be amended to read, “Each State shall
7 appoint, in such Manner as the Legislature thereof may direct, a Number of Electors, equal
8 to the whole Number of Representatives to which the State may be entitled in the
9 Congress: but no Senator or Representative, or Person holding an Office of Trust or Profit
10 under the United States, shall be appointed an Elector.”

12 **SECTION 3.** The implications of the 23rd Amendment shall be similarly adapted, so that the Federal
13 District shall experience a commensurate reduction in representation in the Electoral
14 College. That is, the Federal District shall lose two Electors.

17 **SECTION 5.** The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.



1 **RESOLVED,** That the following article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United
2 States, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when
3 ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states within seven years from
4 the date of its submission by the Congress:

6 **SECTION 1.** The right of the people to secede from these United States shall not be infringed.

12 **SECTION 3.** The federal government is directed to facilitate any successful secessions and to establish
13 immediate and productive diplomatic relations with the resulting nation, or, should the
14 seceding state join with an existing nation, to maintain diplomatic relations with that
15 nation.

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