

East Iowa District Congress *Docket*

Thank you for attending the **East Iowa District Congress** tournament. My name is **Maggie Rietz (Davenport West)** and I will be acting as the *Congress Director* for our District Congress event. At this time, we have the following schools registered in the tournament:

- ✓ Bettendorf HS
- ✓ Davenport West HS
- ✓ Hampton-Dumont-CAL HS
- ✓ Hempstead HS
- ✓ Burlington HS

Each school was asked to submit **2** pieces of legislation by Wednesday, January 29, 2025. I have received **14** pieces of legislation and have randomly set the docket for debate. If a school is not represented in your chamber, the bill may be represented by any school in attendance.

As of **Thursday, February 6**, our registration numbers are:

8 Students in the Senate (**5** schools represented; **6** schools and **10** students must be represented to hold a Senate)

12 Students in the House (**16+** students are required to hold a House)

If we have 6 schools and 10 students in the Senate, East Iowa can qualify **2** students in the Senate, and if we have 16+ in the House, East Iowa can qualify **2** students in the House to the NSDA Nationals tournament (30+ qualifies 4).

If you have not entered your students, please enter them soon. **The deadline for entries is February 15.**

One thing to remember: students are only marked as “**present**” if the student gives a speech. Therefore, every school must speak in the **Senate** to ensure 2 students qualify to Nationals. At least **16** students must give a speech in the **House** to ensure 2 students qualify to Nationals. If we have 30+ students, we will have two House Chambers for the morning session, then a final super session round in the afternoon from top ranked students in each Chamber.

To try to ensure that each school represented in the legislation could have the opportunity to speak on at least one of their pieces of legislation during each session, there are seven bills in the docket designated for session one and seven that will be for the second/final session. The order below has been randomly drawn. Students may change the order or table legislation within that group, but **MAY NOT** use legislation designated for the afternoon final session in the morning session.

Session 1

A Bill to End Aid to Other Countries Currently Fighting in War

A Bill to Ban Deepfake Sexual Content to Protect Privacy and Consent

A Bill to Enact the Student's Hunger Relief and Education Act

The Disability Awareness and Inclusion Act

A Bill to Establish an Extension in Maternity Leave

A Bill for the Federal Eligibility Limitation for Offenders in National Government(FELON Act)

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Repeal the Second Amendment

Session 2

A Bill to Cease all Prison Labor

A Bill to Declare Drug Cartels as Foreign Terrorist Organizations

A Bill to prohibit the sale of energy drinks to individuals under 16 years old

A Resolution to Create a Super North America

A Bill for Sexual Education Reformation

A Bill to Halt the Production of Diesel and Gas-Powered Vehicles

A Bill to Establish a Regulatory Commission to Oversee AI Development and Implementation

A Bill to End Aid to Other Countries Currently Fighting in War

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall immediately and indefinitely halt the transfer of
2 weapons, supplies, and any other forms of aid to countries such as the
3 Ukraine, Israel, and others that are involved in a war.

4 **SECTION 2.** This legislation shall be overseen by the Department of Defense.

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

6 **SECTION 4.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
7
8

Introduced for Congressional Debate by GMG High School

A Bill to Ban Deepfake Sexual Content to Protect Privacy and Consent

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The creation, distribution, or possession of non-consensual deepfake sexual content shall be prohibited in the United States.

SECTION 2. "Deepfake sexual content" shall be defined as any artificially generated or digitally manipulated image, video, or audio that depicts an individual in a sexually explicit manner without their consent.

SECTION 3. The Department of Justice shall be responsible for enforcing this law.

A. The Federal Bureau of Investigation, working with local law enforcement shall have jurisdictional arrest power.

B. Violators shall be subject to a fine of up to \$250,000 and/or imprisonment for up to 10 years.

SECTION 4. Congress shall allocate an additional \$50,000,000 to the Justice Department to offset the increased operational expenses for this legislation.

SECTION 5. 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 John F. Kennedy, Cedar Rapids.

A Bill to Enact the Student's Hunger Relief and Education Act

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** All public school students in the United States have access to nutritious,
2 free school meals, regardless of socioeconomic status. This includes
3 breakfast, lunch, and snacks as needed.

4 **SECTION 2.** Definitions

5 **"School"**: Any public primary or secondary school that receives federal or
6 state funding, including charter schools.

7 **"Eligible Student"**: A student enrolled in a public school.

8 **"School Meal"**: A meal the school provides that meets federal nutritional

9 **SECTION 3.** To fund these school lunches we will raise the sales tax on alcohol, vapes
10 and tobacco products by 10% federally, this will be additionally partnered
11 with federal funding of \$15 billion coming from USDA's Food and Nutrition
12 Service.

13 **SECTION 4.** The U.S. Department of Education and the U.S. Department of Agriculture
14 will oversee this program

15 **SECTION 5.** Punishment for schools that do not allow for free lunches receive a
16 penalty of \$50,000 that will go to the state's Department of Education

17 **SECTION 6.** All laws in conflict will become null and void.

18 **SECTION 7.** This bill will go into effect beginning in the 2026-2027 school year.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Hampton-Dumont-CAL.

The Disability Awareness and Inclusion Act

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** The purpose of this bill is to promote awareness and understanding of disabilities
2 among secondary school students in Iowa and to create an inclusive and accepting
3 environment for all students, including those with disabilities.
- 4 **SECTION 2.** . All public secondary schools in the state of Iowa shall include disability education
5 as part of 6. the curriculum, to be completed annually within the first 60 days of
6 the school year.
- 7 **SECTION 3.** Disability education shall cover a wide range of topics, including but not limited to
8 the following: Understanding various types of disabilities, Promoting empathy,
9 respect, and inclusion of individuals with disabilities, and learning about available
10 resources and support services for students with disabilities.
- 11 **SECTION 4.** Schools shall incorporate disability education into an advisory time during the first
12 60 days of the school year. The Iowa Department of Education shall develop
13 guidelines and resources to support the implementation of disability education in
14 secondary schools.
- 15 **SECTION 5.** The Iowa Department of Education shall establish a system for monitoring and
16 reporting on the implementation of disability education programs in secondary
17 schools. Schools shall report on their disability education activities and outcomes,
18 including data on student participation and the impact on the school community.
- 19 **SECTION 6.** The state shall allocate funding specifically for the development and
20 implementation of disability education programs in secondary schools. (a)
21 Funding shall be allocated annually within the first 60 days of the school year to
22 support teacher training, curriculum development, and the purchase of
23 educational materials related to disability education.
- 24 **SECTION 7.** All laws in conflict with this bill will become null and void.
- 25 **SECTION 8.** This bill shall take effect at the beginning of the academic year following its
26 passage.
27
28

A Bill to Establish an Extension in Maternity Leave

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** Maternity Leave in the United States will be extended to 16 weeks of
2 unpaid leave.
- 3 **SECTION 2.** Maternity leave is the time, either paid or unpaid, that a new mother takes
4 off work after the birth or adoption of a child.
- 5 **SECTION 3.** The enforcement will be through The Department of Administrative
6 Services (DAS).
- 7 A. The Consequences of Not Adhering to the Laws of Business may
8 include:
- 9 a. Closure of business
- 10 b. Fines of up to \$1000 per each day an individual is denied
11 maternity leave before the 16 week deadline.
- 12 c. Up to 30 days in jail for the Human Resource Administrator who
13 denies an individual the full 16 weeks of maternity leave.
- 14 B. This would be a second subsection.
- 15 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be implemented immediately.
- 16 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Marshalltown High School

A Bill for the Federal Eligibility Limitation for Offenders in National Government (FELON Act)

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** Any individual who has previously been convicted of a felony shall be
2 prohibited from running for public office or be considered as a federal
3 officer of the United States.
- 4 **SECTION 2.** The term “felony” refers to the definition utilized in 18 U.S.C. § 3156(a)(3).
- 5 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice, in conjunction with the Federal Election
6 Commission, shall oversee the implementation of this legislation.
- 7 A. The Department of Justice shall fine any current public official or
8 public official with a felony conviction on record a fine of \$5,000 per
9 day until they resign or are removed from their position.
- 10 B. The Federal Election Commission shall nullify all active candidates
11 convicted of a felony and any/all future candidacy forms submitted
12 by convicted felons.
- 13 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 6th, 2026. All laws in conflict with
14 this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
- 15
16
17
18
19
20

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Bettendorf High School.

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Repeal the Second Amendment

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
5 seven years from the date of its submission by the Congress:

ARTICLE --

7 **SECTION 1:** The second article of amendment to the United States
8 Constitution is hereby repealed.

9 **SECTION 2:** All levels of government will have the ability to regulate the
10 possession, sale, use, and distribution of firearms.

11 **SECTION 3:** The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by
12 appropriate legislation.

13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25
26
27
28
Introduced for Congressional Debate by Grinnell High School.

A Bill to Cease all Prison Labor

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** Mandatory Prisoner Labor be abolished and all similar practices be
2 terminated in all states.
- 3 A. Denying prisoners fair treatment, and exempting them from rules that
4 enforce minimum wage is an inherent violation of basic human rights.
- 5 B. Two-thirds of incarcerated individuals report being employed in prison
6 labor programs. These programs/jobs include maintenance and
7 janitorial work in the prisons that hold them, manufacturing goods for
8 companies, and even firefighting.
- 9 **SECTION 2.** Mandatory Prison labor: Incarcerated individuals are put to work to
10 provide goods and services for little to no pay.
- 11 **SECTION 3.** State, private and federal prisons across the nations are expected to
12 oversee the shutdown of these unfair jobs within their prisons. This will be
13 upheld and strictly enforced by the Federal Government after the grace
14 period.
- 15 **SECTION 4.** This law will go into effect January 1st of 2027.
- 16 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

A Bill to Declare Drug Cartels as Foreign Terrorist Organizations

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** Cartels found smuggling drugs over the Southern Border will be considered
2 Foreign Terrorist Organizations. Any group found to be smuggling drugs
3 over the Southern Border will be declared a Foreign Terrorist Organization.
4 The United States will then be allowed to take the same measures to stop
5 drug cartels as they do Foreign Terrorist Organizations.

6
7 **SECTION 2.** Measures can be defined as abilities granted to the United States
8 Government to take against Foreign Terrorist Organizations such as seizing
9 bank accounts and properties, and sanctioning American citizens who have
10 ties to such groups.

11
12 **SECTION 3.** The Attorney General, the Secretary of Homeland Security, and the
13 Secretary of State will be responsible for the enforcement of this
14 legislation.

15 A. These enforcers will be notified of groups considered as potentially being
16 Foreign Terrorist Organizations and will make a recommendation based on
17 8 U.S.C. 1189, U.S. code on the designation of Foreign Terrorist
18 Organizations.

19
20
21 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect within two weeks of being passed. All laws in
22 conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

A Bill to prohibit the sale of energy drinks to individuals under 16 years old

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** This bill would prohibit the sale of energy drinks to individuals under 16
2 years old.
- 3 **SECTION 2.** It defines terms like "dealer" and "energy drink" and establishes rules for or
4 sales, prohibiting dealers from selling energy drinks to individuals under
5 sixteen years of age. It mandates age verification using valid identification
6 and requires dealers to display notices indicating the age restriction.
7 Penalties for non-compliance include warnings, fines up to two hundred
8 dollars for a second offense, and fines up to three hundred fifty dollars for
9 subsequent offenses within a two-year period.
- 10 **SECTION 3.** Enforcement is overseen by the Commissioner of Consumer Protection.
- 11 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.
- 12 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
13
14

Introduced for Congressional Debate by GMG High School

A Resolution to Create a Super North America

- 1 **WHEREAS,** North America is facing an uncertain future from other countries forming
2 strategic, economic and military alliances; and
- 3 **WHEREAS,** The United States, Canada and Mexico are facing multiple crises affecting
4 trade, energy, immigration and currency amongst each other; and
- 5 **WHEREAS,** The lax and dangerous immigration policies of North America has strained
6 economies, national security and created a housing crisis; and
- 7 **WHEREAS,** Creating a national network of independent energy would increase
8 economic stability as well as increase national security for all people; and
- 12 **WHEREAS,** A single currency will greatly increase the economies of all peoples and
13 create a powerful economic engine to compete in the global economy; now
14 therefore be it
- 15 **RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled that the United States shall annex both
16 Canada and Mexico in order to create a Super North America.
17

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Burlington High School.

A Bill for Sexual Education Reformation

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. **Section 1:** Sexual Education curriculum in all accredited schools in the United
2. States of America will be uniform following the following criteria:
3. **Section 2:** Basic sexual education starts in 5th grade consisting of:
4. A. Talking about the basic parts of the reproductive system.
5. B. Everyone learns about the male and female aspects of the body.
6. C. Explaining puberty for both genders (females first).
7. D. Explaining how pads, tampons, and menstrual cups work.
8. **Section 3:** Advanced sexual education begins in 7th grade consisting of:
9. A. Explaining what sex is.
10. B. Showing counter-conception products and how they work/rate of
11. success.
12. C. Talking about STDs.
13. D. Talking about what abortions actually do.
14. E. Explaining costs and side effects of teen pregnancy and childbirth.
15. **Section 4:** Any school that fails to comply with the new set of standards they
16. will lose 20% of sports funding until they comply.
17. **Section 5:** If a school is unable to find a teacher to teach these classes, classes
18. will be available online that anyone with an education degree can
19. teach.
20. **Section 6:** Funding for these classes will come from the tax taken from the current
21. price of condoms and over the counter birth control.(price is not allowed to
22. change due to the tax)
23. **Section 7:** All laws in conflict will become null and void.
24. **Section 8:** Legislation will go into effect for the 2026-2027 school year.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Hampton-Dumont-CAL.

A Bill to Halt the Production of Diesel and Gas-Powered Vehicles

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall halt the production of diesel and/or gas-powered
2 vehicles produced in the United States of America and all of its territories.
- 3 **SECTION 2.** Diesel and/or gas-powered vehicles shall be defined as vehicles that use
4 gasoline and/or diesel for fuel. Examples include, but are not limited to:
5 cars, trucks, motorcycles, trains, airplanes, etc.
- 6 **SECTION 3.** The production of diesel and/or gas-powered vehicles shall cease on
7 January 1st, 2028.
- 8 **SECTION 4.** By 2040, any usage of diesel and/or gas-powered vehicles will be classified
9 as a Class A Misdemeanor.
- 10 A. Owning, but not using a diesel and/or gas-powered vehicle shall still be permitted.
- 11 **SECTION 5.** The Department of Energy and the Department of Transportation shall
12 enforce this legislation.
- 13 A. The government shall allocate 500 million dollars to each department annually to
14 fund this legislation. The Department of Transportation will use the funds to
15 support new transportation methods. The Department of Energy will use the funds
16 to research transportation methods that use renewable energy.
- 17 **SECTION 6.** This legislation will take effect on January 1st, 2028. All laws in conflict
18 with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
19
20
21
22
23

A Bill to Establish a Regulatory Commission to Oversee AI Development and Implementation

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall establish the Artificial Intelligence Regulatory
2 Commission (AIRC), a federal agency responsible for regulating the
3 development, deployment, and ethical use of artificial intelligence within
4 the United States.
- 5 **SECTION 2.** The AIRC shall have the authority to:
- 6 A. Establish safety and ethical guidelines for AI systems.
7 B. Conduct risk assessments on AI models to ensure compliance with national
8 security and consumer protection standards.
9 C. Approve AI models intended for mass deployment in sectors such as
10 healthcare, finance, transportation, and national security.
11 D. Regulate corporate and research entities developing AI to prevent bias,
12 discrimination, and harmful automation practices.
13 E. Investigate and penalize entities violating AI safety and ethical guidelines.
- 14 **SECTION 3.** The AIRC shall be composed of:
- 15 A. Bipartisan commission of experts in AI ethics, law, cybersecurity,
16 economics, and national security.
17 B. Members appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate.
18 C. Public advisory board that includes representatives from consumer
19 advocacy groups, industry leaders, and civil rights organizations.
- 20 **Section 4.** Funding for the AIRC shall be allocated from the Department of Commerce
21 budget with an initial allocation of \$500 million for the first fiscal year. Subsequent
22 funding shall be derived from a combination of: annual congressional appropriations and
23 fines collected from entities found in violation of AI safety and ethical guidelines.
- 24 **Section 6.** This bill shall take effect on January 1, 2026.
- 25 **Section 7.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
26
27
28

Introduced for Congressional Debate by John F. Kennedy High School