

Student Senate – District 7

- This is the agenda that will be followed during the 2025 PHSSL Qualifying Tournament. Any modifications must be approved by the tournament director.
- The tournament will appoint a presiding officer. This person will serve as both parliamentarian and presiding officer and therefore will NOT be a student competitor. This person will not be is not a scorer / officially ranking but may cast rankings if an unbreakable tie occurs.
- Questioning: After each speech, there will be a 2 minute questioning period (regardless of type of speech). We will use indirect questioning. Due to time constraints, the questioning cannot be extended.
- The round may begin as soon as the competitors and judge are present. The round is over when the listed ten speeches and questioning periods are completed.

SESSION 1 8:45-9:45am

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Limit the Terms Congress Members May Serve		
	Side	Student Name
1	AFF	Christina Shearer (New Oxford)
2	NEG	Ekin Ozgur (Gettysburg)
3	AFF	Charlotte Alexander (New Oxford)
4	NEG	Mirena Kahn (Gettysburg)

A Resolution to Support the “Right to Be Forgotten” and Control Personal Data		
	Side	Student Name
5	AFF	Ekin Ozgur (Gettysburg)
6	NEG	Charlotte Alexander (New Oxford)
7	AFF	Mirena Kahn (Gettysburg)
8	NEG	Christina Shearer (New Oxford)

SESSION 2 9:55-10:55am

A Bill to Update Water Quality Standards for the Sake of Public Health		
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1	AFF	Charlotte Alexander (New Oxford)
2	NEG	Mirena Kahn (Gettysburg)
3	AFF	Christina Shearer (New Oxford)
4	NEG	Ekin Ozgur (Gettysburg)
A Bill to Stop Congress Members from Getting Paid during a Shutdown		
	Side	Student Name
5	AFF	Mirena Kahn (Gettysburg)
6	NEG	Christina Shearer (New Oxford)
7	AFF	Ekin Ozgur (Gettysburg)
8	NEG	Charlotte Alexander (New Oxford)

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Limit the Terms Congress Members May Serve

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:

6 **ARTICLE --**

7 **SECTION 1:** After a person serves 3 terms in the House of
8 Representatives, they will no longer be eligible for election
9 to the House of Representatives. In this case, a term is
10 counted after the person is elected to fill a seat in the House
11 and remains in that seat for more than nine months after their
12 election.
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14 **SECTION 2:** After a person serves 2 terms in the Senate, they will no
15 longer be eligible for election or appointment to the Senate.
16 In this case, a term is counted after the person fills a seat in
17 the Senate and remains there for more than one year after
18 their election or appointment.

19 **SECTION 3:** Any terms served before the addition of this amendment
20 shall not count towards eligibility for election.

21 **SECTION 4:** The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by
22 appropriate legislation.
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A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE “RIGHT TO BE FORGOTTEN” AND CONTROL PERSONAL DATA

- WHEREAS,** ongoing changes to technology, society, and legal precedent have eroded expectations and protections of privacy; and
- WHEREAS,** the collection and commodification of people’s personal information and data, often without consent, has increased exponentially recently; and
- WHEREAS,** data safety by private firms has been compromised multiple times; and
- WHEREAS,** people’s lives are being permanently affected by petty crimes, social media mishaps, and deliberate attempts to slander a person online; and
- WHEREAS,** individuals should have the right to view and remove the data that a company has on them; and
- WHEREAS,** companies should not discriminate against individuals whom refuse to give their personal information; and
- WHEREAS,** companies should not require personal data to be collected and be transparent about personal data that is collected; and
- WHEREAS,** other governments have already begun to codify, and support laws and policies aimed at correcting these practices; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled that the Right to be Forgotten should be recognized by the United States Federal Government as a human right.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the National Speech and Debate Association.

A Bill to Update Water Quality Standards for the Sake of Public Health

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The United States Congress shall update and enforce regulations on tap water contaminants based on the Environmental Working Group's standards.

SECTION 2. The following definitions apply:

A. Tap water contaminants shall be defined as substances found in water plants which pose a quantifiable risk to public health, not those which pose issues unrelated to health, such as but not limited to: unfavorable color, taste, or smell.

B. The Environmental Working Group's standards shall be defined based on their health protective standards updated in 2021.

C. This bill shall apply to municipal water plants. Municipal water plants shall be defined as a facility which purifies raw water from a source such as a river or aquifer, and distributes the clean water to homes and businesses within a city or municipality through a network of pipes.

SECTION 3. This legislation shall be enforced by the Environmental Protection Agency. The EPA will monitor states, local authorities, and water suppliers who uphold these standards to ensure their compliance with this legislation. The EPA will also receive \$1.2 trillion dollars to improve infrastructure within municipal water plants. These funds will be used to the EPA's discretion.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by New Oxford High School.

A Bill to Stop Congress Members From getting Paid during a Shutdown

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2. **Section 1.** The United States will stop paying Congress members during a
3. government shutdown. Congress members will resume getting paid following the end of
- the shutdown with no back pay.
4. **Section 2.** A Federal Government shutdown will be defined as when the
5. government's funding authorization expires, and Congress and the President have not
6. passed legislation to fund government operations for the upcoming fiscal year or a
7. specific period. This situation can arise when there is a failure to reach an agreement on a
8. budget, appropriations bills, or a continuing resolution.
9. **Section 3.** Currently, during a Government Shutdown all Government Employees,
10. except for lawmakers, do not get paid until the government reopens
11. **Section 4.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
12. This bill will take effect on June 30th 2025.

*Respectfully submitted,
Gettysburg Area High School*