

# A Bill to Cap the Base Salaries of Professional Athletes to Promote Economic Fairness #1

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1   **SECTION 1.**   The base salaries of professional athletes in the United States shall be  
2                   capped at a maximum of \$10 million per year. Additional compensation in  
3                   the form of performance-based bonuses, incentives, and endorsements  
4                   shall not be subject to this cap.  
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- 6   **SECTION 2.**   **A.** "Professional athletes" shall be defined as individuals who receive  
7                   monetary compensation for participating in sports leagues, associations, or  
8                   competitions at the national or international level.  
9                   **B.** "Base salary" shall refer to the guaranteed annual salary paid to an  
10                  athlete under contract with a league, team, or governing organization,  
11                  excluding performance-based incentives.  
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- 13 **SECTION 3.**   **A.** The Department of Labor, in coordination with the Federal Trade  
14                  Commission (FTC) and the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), shall oversee  
15                  enforcement of this cap.  
16                  **B.** Any league, organization, or employer found in violation of this law shall  
17                  be subject to a penalty of up to \$10 million per violation.  
18                  **C.** Athletes found circumventing this law through offshore accounts or  
19                  indirect payments shall face fines equivalent to 50% of the amount  
20                  exceeding the salary cap.  
21                  **D.** A minimum of 25% of the funds redirected from salary caps shall be  
22                  allocated toward charitable programs affiliated with each respective  
23                  league, such as NBA Cares, MLB RBI, NFL Foundation, and similar initiatives  
24                  aimed at community development, youth outreach, and global  
25                  humanitarian efforts.  
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- 27 **SECTION 4.**   This legislation will take effect in FY 2026. All laws in conflict with this  
28                  legislation are hereby declared null and void.

## **A Bill to Implement a Federal Carbon Tax to Combat Climate Change #2**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1:** A federal carbon tax shall be levied on entities emitting greenhouse gases from fossil fuels. The tax rate shall be set at \$50 per metric ton of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent, increasing by \$10 per year until emissions targets are met.

- A. Agriculture, small businesses, and low-income households shall be eligible for tax credits or exemptions to mitigate disproportionate economic impacts.
- B. States and municipalities implementing comparable carbon pricing mechanisms may apply for federal waivers.

**Section 2:** For the purposes of this bill:

- A. The carbon tax shall be defined as a fee imposed on the production, distribution, or use of fossil fuels based on their carbon content.
- B. Greenhouse gases (GHGs) shall be defined as gases that trap heat in the atmosphere, including carbon dioxide, methane, and nitrous oxide.

**Section 3:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) shall oversee this administration and enforcement of this legislation.

- A. Entities failing to report emissions or remit payments shall face penalties of up to \$10,000 per day per violation.
- B. The EPA shall submit an annual report to Congress detailing the total revenue, allocation of resources, and progress toward emission targets.

**Section 4:** The carbon tax revenue shall be allocated to renewable energy research, climate dividend programs, and climate resilience projects.

**Section 5:** This legislation shall come into effect immediately.

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

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Moon Area High School*

# A Bill to Enhance English as a Second Language Education to Promote Academic Equity #3

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1   **SECTION 1.**   All public schools in the United States with at least 10% of students  
2                   classified as English Language Learners (ELLs) must implement mandatory,  
3                   tailored English as a Second Language (ESL) programs designed to achieve  
4                   full English proficiency.
- 5   **SECTION 2.**   “ELL” students refer to those enrolled in public schools who primarily speak  
6                   a language other than English and demonstrate limited proficiency in  
7                   English.
- 8   **SECTION 3.**   The Department of Education (DOE) will oversee the implementation of  
9                   this legislation.
- 10                   A. The DOE will allocate \$500 million annually to fund professional  
11                   development for ESL-certified teachers and the procurement of  
12                   instructional materials.
- 13                   B. The DOE will conduct annual audits to assess program compliance  
14                   beginning three years after this legislation takes effect, partnering with  
15                   state educational agencies to collect data on student progress and  
16                   allocate resources accordingly.
- 17   **SECTION 4.**   This legislation will take effect on July 1, 2025. All laws in conflict with this  
18                   legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by North Allegheny.*

# A Bill to Nationalize Hazardous Waste Collection Systems #4

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** A hazardous waste collection task force shall be assembled with the task of  
2 collecting waste from civilian houses nationally to be brought to civil  
3 recycling plants to be processed unless no plant is within a reasonable  
4 distance.

5 **SECTION 2.** 1. Hazardous waste shall be defined as any item with the potential to cause  
6 damage to any lifeforms, including humans, as well as the ecosystem.

7 **SECTION 3.** The funding directed toward the collection task force shall be granted  
8 according to; a base amount of money of 750 million, as well as an  
9 additional fund given per household serviced as listed in section 3.2.

10 1. This delegated task force shall comprise, but is not limited to, members  
11 of the Environmental Protection Agency's Bureau of Waste Management,  
12 the Fish and Wildlife Services (FWS), the National Park Service (NPS), and  
13 the Forest Service (FS)

14 2. This task force shall be paid an additional \$5 per customer serviced.

15 3. This funding shall be allocated from the Department of Defense annual  
16 federal budget.

17 **SECTION 4.** This service shall be free for any individual legally living in the nation.

18 **SECTION 5.** This implementation of this bill shall begin in the fiscal year 2023

19 **SECTION 6.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.  
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*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Upper St. Clair High School*

# A Bill to Fund Professional Development Training for Teachers on Generative AI #5

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Department of Education shall allocate funding to  
3 provide professional development training for K-12 public school  
4 teachers on the effective use of generative AI in the classroom.

5 **SECTION 2.** This training shall cover but not be limited to: A. Understanding the  
6 applications of generative AI in education, B. Ethical considerations and  
7 bias mitigation in content generation, C. Strategies for integrating  
8 generative AI into lesson planning and homework, D. Methods for  
9 teaching students critical thinking in evaluating AI-generated content.

10 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Education shall allocate and oversee  
11 the use of this funding.

12 A. Funding in the first year shall be \$100 million.

13 B. Future funding shall be reviewed and adjusted based on program  
14 efficacy.

15 **SECTION 4.** Development and effective implementation of training programs shall  
16 come from United States Department of Education collaboration with  
17 universities, AI research institutions, and educational technology  
18 companies.

19 **SECTION 5.** This legislation will take effect on FY 2025. All laws in conflict with this  
20 legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Pittsburgh Central Catholic High School.*

## **The Measles Misinformation Regulation (MMR) Act #6**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The U.S. must combat the spread of misinformation regarding measles and the measles-mumps-rubella (MMR) vaccinations on social media platforms, and for other purposes.

SECTION 2. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the World Health Organization (WHO) identify measles as a highly contagious and preventable disease. Misinformation about measles and MMR vaccinations has led to decreased immunization rates and increased outbreaks. Social media platforms have been used to disseminate false and misleading claims about the safety and efficacy of MMR vaccines.

SECTION 3. Social media platforms with more than 10 million monthly active users in the United States shall implement policies to:

(1) Identify and label posts containing false or misleading information regarding measles and MMR vaccines based on guidance from the CDC and WHO.

(2) Provide users with scientifically accurate information when interacting with flagged content.

(3) Take reasonable steps to limit the algorithmic amplification of content containing verified misinformation about measles and MMR vaccinations.

SECTION 4. The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) shall have the authority to enforce compliance with this Act. Social media platforms found in violation may be subject to civil penalties not exceeding \$50,000 per instance of noncompliance.

SECTION 5. Not later than 180 days after the enactment of this Act, the FTC, in consultation with the CDC, shall issue regulations to implement the provisions of this Act.

- 24      SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect 90 days after the date of enactment.
- 25      SECTION 7. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Hampton High School*