



2025 State Tournament Congressional Docket Division 1

At the 2024 Spring Conference "A Proposal to have Online Voting for Congressional Docket Order" was approved.

Tournament directors are required to randomly select a docket order prior to competition. The purpose is to reduce large school advantage in dictating the docket order on their own.

Congress **Session 1** the docket order will be as follows:

Bill A - **A Bill to Fix the United States Agency for International Development**

Bill B - **A Bill to Improve Access to Quality Education by Increasing Federal Funding for Public Schools**

Bill C - **A Bill to Abolish Wasteful Corn Subsidies**

Bill D - **Protect Intellectual Property (P.I.P.) Act**

Congress **Session 2** the docket order will be as follows:

Bill E – **A Bill to Subsidize Nuclear Power through the Taxing of the Rich**

Bill F – **A Bill to Ban Non-Therapeutic Human Genetic Engineering**

Bill G – **A Bill to Abolish the Detention Facility at Guantanamo Bay**

Bill H – **A Bill to Promote Sustainable Artificial Intelligence Development to Address Water Usage Concerns**

A Bill to Fix the United States Agency for International Development

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The following criteria shall be added as an amendment to the Foreign
3 Assistance Act of 1961:

4 A. USAID shall hereby only be permitted to give fixed-amount grants.

5 B. At least 65 percent of NGOs receiving USAID funding must be based in the recipient
6 country.

7 C. Agriculture that is deemed nutritional local to the region needing aid shall be prioritized
8 for food aid. If there is none to be found, American agriculture will be used.

9 D. USAID programs must reach an evaluation of "highest quality" as defined by USAID
10 Impact Evaluations every six months. Any program that does not reach this evaluation
11 shall immediately be discontinued, and USAID shall be tasked with finding a more
12 effective alternative for that region.

13 E. Once USAID is able to meet these criteria, its annual budget will be increased by 100
14 billion USD.

15 **SECTION 2.** NGOs, or non-governmental organizations, will be defined as any aid group
16 that is not affiliated with the government.

17 Nutritional will be defined as meeting USDA certifications for substantial
18 nutrition.

19 **SECTION 3.** The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) will
20 oversee this legislation.

21 A. The Governmental Accountability Office and the Department of State will be
22 responsible for submitting two independent audits every six months to ensure
23 proper implementation of this legislation.

24 B. Should the provisions of this legislation not be met after passage, USAID will be
25 given 18 months to modify their programs to meet the criteria necessary. After the
26 18 month period, if programs still do not meet the criteria, USAID will be disbanded
27 and all responsibilities and funding of USAID will instead fall to the Department of
28 State.

29 C. Funding for Section 1E will be diverted from the budget of the Department of
30 Defense.

31 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect five years after passage. All laws in conflict
32 with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Desert Vista High School.

A Bill to Improve Access to Quality Education by Increasing Federal Funding for Public Schools

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall increase federal funding to public schools
3 by 15% over the next five years, focusing on improving teacher
4 resources, enhancing classroom materials, and expanding student
5 support services to ensure equitable access to high-quality
6 education for all students.

7 **SECTION 2.** For the purposes of this bill, the following terms shall be defined:

8 A. "Public Schools" is defined as "Educational institutions funded
9 and operated by state or local governments that serve students
10 from Kindergarten through 12th grade"

11 B. "Teacher Resources" is defined as "educational materials,
12 professional development opportunities, and teacher support
13 systems".

14 C. "Classroom Materials" is defined as "textbooks, technology, and
15 other educational tools necessary for effective teaching and
16 learning".

17 D. "Student Support Services" is defined as "counseling, mental
18 health services, special education services, and academic
19 tutoring programs".

20 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Department of Education shall oversee the enforcement
21 of this legislation. The department will allocate the increased
22 funding to state and local school districts based on a needs
23 assessment, ensuring funds are used effectively for teacher
24 development, classroom materials, and student support services.

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

27 *Introduced for Congressional Debate by Mountain View High School*

Bill C

A Bill to Abolish Wasteful Corn Subsidies

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The United States federal government shall eliminate all direct and indirect subsidies for corn production, including but not limited to direct payments, crop insurance premium support, and price guarantees.

SECTION 2. For the purposes of this legislation, "subsidies" refer to any federal financial assistance provided to corn producers, including grants, loans, tax incentives, or insurance support intended to stabilize income, offset production costs, or influence market prices.

SECTION 3. The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) shall oversee the termination of all corn-related subsidy programs. Any funds previously allocated for corn subsidies shall be redirected to general agricultural research, conservation programs, or deficit reduction as determined by Congress.

SECTION 4. This legislation shall take effect on FY 2027. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Brophy College Prep.

Protect Intellectual Property (P.I.P.) Act

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** The United States Federal Government shall ban the
2 act of collecting artists' works without express permission from said
3 artist for the purpose of training machine learning algorithms.

4 **SECTION 2.** Any company or individual who infringes on artists'
5 intellectual property in this manner shall be fined \$1,000 per work
6 used illicitly and be liable for any financial damages that the artist
7 may have suffered as a result.

8 **SECTION 3.** Works shall be defined as any man-made artistic
9 creation with aesthetic value. Machine learning algorithms shall be
10 defined as programs that are able to learn to complete tasks without
11 being explicitly programmed to do so.

12 **SECTION 4.** The Department of Justice will oversee enforcement of
13 this bill

SECTION 5. This legislation will take effect on FY2025 All laws in
 conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by McClintock High School.

A Bill to Subsidize Nuclear Power through the Taxing of the Rich

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** The nuclear power industry shall be given yearly
- 2 subsidies to the amount of 60% of the monetary gains provided by
- 3 this bill, the other 40% shall be devoted to combating student debt.
- 4 This monetary gain shall be provided by an annual wealth tax on
- 5 those individuals with a net worth above \$500 million. For every \$1
- 6 million above \$500 million, the tax shall be raised by .1%, from a base
- 7 rate of 5%, to a maximum of 60%.
- 8 **SECTION 2.** A wealth tax shall be defined as a tax on the net worth of
- 9 an individual, in this case to be done annually. An exit tax shall be
- 10 defined as a tax on an individual when they renounce citizenship of a
- 11 country, in this case of the United States of America.
- 12 **SECTION 3.** This piece of legislation shall be enforced by the IRS,
- 13 with priority enforcement due to the amount of revenue, with DOJ
- 14 assistance in required, due to the power of these individuals. An
- 15 additional enforcement method to prevent the skirting of this tax will
- 16 be an exit tax of 99% of that individual's net worth, but only on those
- 17 for whom the tax rate of 6% would be applied to. The cut of funds
- 18 devoted to nuclear power shall be analyzed and allocated by the
- 19 Department of Energy, and the funds for student debts shall be
- 20 analyzed and allocated by the Department of Education.
- 21 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect upon the commencement
- 22 of fiscal year 2026. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby
- 23 declared null and void.

Bill F

A Bill to Ban Non-Therapeutic Human Genetic Engineering

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The practice of non-therapeutic human genetic engineering is hereby prohibited in the United States.

SECTION 2. A. Non-therapeutic genetic engineering shall be defined as any genetic modification intended to enhance physical, cognitive, or aesthetic traits and does not include any modification attempting to treat, cure, or prevent a medically recognized disease or disorder.

SECTION 3. The Department of Health and Human Services and Food and Drug Administration (FDA) shall oversee enforcement of this legislation. A. Violations of this legislation shall be punishable by fines of up to \$10 million for corporations and research institutions, and up to 10 years in federal prison for individuals knowingly engaging in prohibited practices

SECTION 4. This legislation shall take effect on January 1st, 2026. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void. Introduced for

Congressional Debate by Brophy College Prep.

A Bill to Abolish the Detention Facility at Guantanamo Bay

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall permanently close the Guantanamo Bay
3 detention facility and transfer the remaining detainees to
4 appropriate facilities in compliance with U.S. and international law.

5 **SECTION 2.** For the purposes of this bill, the following terms shall be defined:

6 A. Guantanamo Bay detention facility refers to the U.S.
7 military prison located at Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba,
8 established in 2002 to house terrorism suspects.

9 B. Appropriate facilities refer to federal prisons, military
10 detention centers, or countries of origin that comply with
11 international human rights standards.

12 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Defense (DoD) shall oversee the closure
13 process, ensuring the lawful transfer or prosecution of detainees.

14 A. The Department of Justice (DOJ) shall facilitate legal
15 proceeding for detainees eligible for trial in U.S. courts.

16 B. The Department of State shall coordinate diplomatic efforts for
17 repatriation or third-country resettlement where applicable.

18 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on FY 2026. All laws in conflict with
19 this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
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21 *Introduced for Congressional Debate by Mountain View High School.*

Bill H

A Bill to Promote Sustainable Artificial Intelligence Development to Address Water Usage Concerns

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. To reduce the environmental effects of artificial intelligence (AI), the adoption of sustainable practices in the development and operation of AI systems to mitigate water consumption shall be mandated for all businesses and government organizations.

SECTION 2. For the purposes of this bill

A: "Sustainable Practices" shall refer to the following practices

- 1) The implementation of liquid cooling systems that utilize closed-loop water recycling.
- 2) The integration of energy-efficient computing hardware to reduce overall computing requirements.

B: "Mitigate Water Consumption" shall be defined as the adoption of the above policies to improve water efficiency, minimize waste, and ensure responsible resource management.

SECTION 3. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) shall oversee the enforcement of this bill through the following mechanisms.

- A. Allocating a \$5 million grant, reallocated from the Department of Defense's budget for companies to allocate the proposed sustainable practices.
- B. Monthly audits of AI related facilities conducted by the EPA to ensure compliance with water conservation practices, and produce non-compliance penalties or fines as warranted.

SECTION 4. This bill shall take effect on January 1, 2026.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Arizona College Prep High School.