

A Bill to Establish Universal Basic Income

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1** The United States shall implement Universal Basic Income (UBI),
2 providing every legal resident aged 18 and older a fixed monthly income of
3 \$1,000, regardless of employment status, income level or wealth. The Federal
4 Minimum Wage shall also be raised from \$7.25 per hour to \$12.50 per hour.

5 **SECTION 2** ‘Universal Basic Income’ shall be defined as financial support
6 provided by a government in the form of standard, recurring payments to
7 individuals without the need for pre-qualification.

8 **SECTION 3** In order to fund this legislation, tax reforms will be put in place. A
9 progressive Value-Added Tax (VAT) shall be placed on luxury goods. In addition,
10 Companies that produce over \$1,000,000,000 in yearly revenue shall now be
11 taxed a 35% corporate tax. Funds from redundant welfare programs shall be
12 transferred to this legislation. Whether or whether not a welfare program is
13 redundant is to be at the discretion of the U.S congress.

14 **SECTION 4** The U.S. Department of Treasury shall oversee the funding and implementation
15 of this legislation through the following measures:

- 16 A. Establishing a secure digital payment system to distribute funds
17 efficiently.
18 B. Conducting regular audits to ensure compliance and prevent fraud.
19 C. Partnering with state governments to address regional economic
20 disparities.

21 **SECTION 5** This legislation will take effect in FY 2026. All laws in conflict with
22 this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Pennsbury High School

A Bill to Implement a Carbon-Tax

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 SECTION 1. The United States shall implement a Carbon-Tax in order to reduce the amount
3 of carbon dioxide (CO₂) in the atmosphere and to promote a more
4 environmentally friendly and sustainable future.

5 SECTION 2. A. A Carbon-Tax is defined as a tax on the amount of carbon dioxide that a given
6 facility emits exceeding emissions of 20 metric tons per year. Emissions above
7 this threshold will be taxed at \$5 per metric ton until January 1, 2030, when the
8 rate will increase to \$50 per metric ton.

9 B. Companies will be subject to the tax if they meet the following criteria:

- 10 1. The company receives any form of government subsidies;
11 2. Operate facilities in regions with an Air Quality Index (AQI) of 100 or
12 higher.

13 C. This tax applies to all American-owned manufacturing facilities operating
14 abroad, regardless of local carbon tax policies.

15 SECTION 3. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Internal Revenue Service
16 (IRS) will oversee the tax's implementation and distribution.

17 A. The EPA will invest 70% of the collected tax money into the research and
18 development of renewable energy, which includes the expansion of the
19 renewable energy power grid.

20 B. 15% of the collected tax money will go to the Arbor Day Foundation, which
21 will use the funds to plant trees in areas with a dangerously high AQI.

22 C. 15% of the collected tax money will go directly to the EPA, to help fund
23 other environmentally sustainable projects.

24 SECTION 4. This legislation will take effect on July 1, 2026. All laws in conflict with this
25 legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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27 *Introduced for Congressional Debate by La Salle College High School.*

A Bill to Implement Minecraft Education in Schools to Help Bolster School's Education Curriculum

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** Minecraft Education will now be implemented in public school systems to
2 help boost the education process.
- 3 **SECTION 2.** School system shall be defined as how the education system's curriculum
4 today is structured. Minecraft Education is an educational game Mojang
5 Studios and TeacherGaming LLC co-created that focuses on learning.
- 6 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Education is to oversee the implementation of this bill
7 and will be allocated an additional \$4 billion in the next fiscal year.
- 8 A. \$4 billion will be used to fund the technology and equipment required
9 to provide the needed tools for schools.
- 10 B. Schools can receive funding by apply for grants to be approved by the
11 DOE.
- 12 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect in FY 2025.
- 13 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared
14 null and void.
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Introduced for Congressional Debate by Council Rock High School North.

A Bill to Ban Unpaid Internships

SECTION 1. The Fair Labor Standards Act (29 USC 201-209) shall be amended by adding the following to section 206 part (b)(i), "...which includes all labor, regardless of primary beneficiary status."

SECTION 2. All definitions shall be as listed in 29 USC 203, with the addition of the verbiage, "Primary beneficiary status shall be defined as the party by which the employment benefits greatest."

SECTION 3. Any and all agencies tasked with the original implementation of the Fair Labor Standards Act will be tasked with the continued implementation of this legislation.

A) This includes the U.S. Department of Labor and its other relevant offices.

B) All agencies with oversight over the legislation shall be authorized to penalize any employers in violation of this law in accordance with any relevant parts of 29 USC 206.

C) Organizations that are found in violation with 29 USC 206 (b)(i) will be subject to involuntary dissolution.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Stars Hollow High