

**A BILL TO EDUCATE AND TRAIN PRISONERS TO HELP THEM BETTER TRANSITION INTO SOCIETY  
BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:**

**SECTION 1.** On a typical day during a prisoner's routine, a certain amount of time will be set out for prisoners to be educated and trained by administrators and educators. Prisons across America will be teaching classes and programs that can be found in most colleges. Prisoners who are educated and released have a higher chance of earning employment opportunities, which would reduce recidivism rates. From this day forward, many more citizens of America will be employed, have better housing, and have a better lifestyle.

**SECTION 2.** "Recidivism" is the tendency of a convicted criminal to reoffend. "Employment opportunities" are when a job is open and gives someone the convenience to apply or get accepted for it.

**SECTION 3.** The Federal Bureau of Prisons under The Department of Justice shall enforce this legislation.

A. The Federal Bureau of Prisons is responsible for the care, custody, and control of incarcerated individuals who have committed federal crimes.

**SECTION 4.** This Legislation shall go into effect on November 19th, 2024.

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

*Respectfully submitted,  
Rep. Zaviar Khan  
Half Hollow Hills High School East*

# A Bill to Improve Students' Knowledge of Financial Literacy

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1   **SECTION 1.**   All public high school students shall be required to complete a mandatory  
2                   financial literacy class.
- 3                   The course shall include the following topics: credit and debit management,  
4                   budgeting and saving, investing, tax basics, insurance basics, career and  
5                   income planning, and digital financial tools.
- 6   **SECTION 2.**   “Financial Literacy” is defined as the ability to understand and use financial  
7                   skills to make informed decisions about money.  
8                   “Mandatory” is defined as required for graduation  
9                   “Investing” is defined as types of investments, strategies, and costs.  
10                  “Taxes basics” is defined as learning about common types of taxes: income,  
11                  payroll, sales, and property taxes.  
12                  “Digital financial tools” is defined as online banking, mobile payments, and  
13                  digital advice apps.
- 14 **SECTION 3.**   The U.S. The Department of Education shall oversee the implementation of  
15                   this legislation with the help of state education agencies.
- 16                  A. State and local education agencies will implement these federal  
17                   mandates and can alter the curriculum for specific requirements or  
18                   necessities.
- 19                  B. Federal funding shall be withheld from any non-compliant states,  
20                   schools, or districts
- 21 **SECTION 4.**   This legislation will take effect on July 10, 2025  
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- SECTION 5.**   All sections of laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null  
                        and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Rep. Blake Rabinowitz  
Half Hollow Hills High School East*

# A Bill to Necessitate Background Checks in order to Purchase Firearms

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1   **SECTION 1.**   All gun owners shall be required by law to pass a background test to  
2                   purchase a firearm. The requirements to pass this background check will  
3                   include but are not limited to: possession of US citizenship, no criminal  
4                   record, being at least 18 years of age, and no current diagnoses of any  
5                   serious mental or personality disorder.
- 6   **SECTION 2.**   Firearms shall be defined as any gun or distance weapon with lethal  
7                   capacity. A serious mental illness is defined as a mental illness that  
8                   interferes with a person's life and ability to function. A personality disorder  
9                   is defined as a mental health condition that involves a long lasting, all  
10                  encompassing, disruptive patterns of thinking, behavior, and mood.
- 11 **SECTION 3.**   The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearm and Explosives (ATF) will oversee  
12                  the implementation of this legislation. The ATF will implement an ezra tax  
13                  of \$50 per firearm being purchased to assist in covering the cost of all  
14                  background checks.
- 15 **SECTION 4.**   This legislation will take effect on January 1st, 2025.
- 16 **SECTION 5.**   All sections of laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null  
17                  and void. All current laws put in place by the ATF will continue to be valid  
18                  unless they conflict directly with the implementation of this bill.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Rep. Zoya Waqas  
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## **A Bill to Protect Good Samaritans**

**Section 1:** A number of states have already implemented “Good Samaritan Laws”. These laws allow people to call 911 without fear of arrest if they are having a drug or alcohol overdose that requires emergency medical care or if they witness someone overdosing. Upon going into effect, this bill legally protects any individual from drug consumption/possession charges who requests emergency assistance for any situation where their life or the life of another is in danger, whether it be an overdose or other emergency.

**Section 2:** Legally protect shall be defined as immunity from prosecution or other legal consequences. Emergency assistance shall be defined as any request for help via 911, local hotlines, or approaching a first responder.

**Section 3:** The U.S. Department of Justice shall oversee the implementation of this legislation.

**Section 4:** This bill will go into effect immediately after its passage.

**Section 5:** All sections of laws in conflict with this law are hereby declared null and void.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Rep. David Abrams*

*Half Hollow Hills High School East*

## **A BILL TO REMOVE TÜRKIYE FROM NATO**

**Section 1.** In recent years, Türkiye has plunged NATO into crisis due to president Erdogan's authoritarian tendencies and warm relationship with Vladimir Putin. This bill would put United States support firmly on the side of Türkiye's swift removal from NATO by **requiring** the United States to vote in favor of removal **and** to bring a vote to NATO on the removal of Türkiye.

**Section 2.** NATO shall be defined as the 31 member North Atlantic Treaty Organization. Removal shall be defined as the complete termination of membership and all associated privileges and obligations of the North Atlantic Treaty including but not limited to Article 5 of said treaty.

**Section 3.** The United States State Department and NATO delegation shall oversee the implementation of this bill.

**Section 4.** This bill shall go into effect immediately upon its passage

**Section 5.** All sections of laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void

*Respectfully submitted  
Rep. David Abrams  
Half Hollow Hills High School East*

# A Bill to Complete The Superconducting Super Collider

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1   **SECTION 1.**

- 2       1. The United States government will complete the construction of the  
3           Superconducting Super Collider, henceforth initialed in this bill by the title  
4           “SSC”.

5   **SECTION 2.**

- 6       1. The SSC is defined as a incomplete 52 mile long particle accelerator, used by  
7           scientists to gain better knowledge in particle physics.  
8       2. Non-Adversarial shall be defined as agencies and governments that enjoy close  
9           military and scientific cooperation with the US including but not limited to the EU,  
10          Five Eyes, Japan, and Korea.

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12   **SECTION 3.**

- 13       1. The National Aeronautical and Space Administration (NASA) and The Department  
14          Energy will enforce this law.  
15               A. NASA will serve as the project manager, and will have a 25 Billion  
16               Dollar Mandated Budget for the Construction of The SSC. If they fall  
17               short they may take up to 1 Billion dollars from discretionary spending  
18               per year and after must request additional funding from congress.  
19               B. NASA with permission from the Dept of The Treasury may sell out 30%  
20               of the ownership of the collider to Non-Adversarial foreign science  
21               agencies.  
22               C. NASA will have access to any and all DOE resources and employees  
23               (such as Fermilabd) as long as the recooperate the DOE for any costs.  
24               D. Any excess funds must be returned back to the federal budget after  
25               project completion.  
26               E. The DOE will manage the collider and have 500 million dollars a year for  
27               operating and maintance costs.  
28               F. Any excess funds will be redistributed back to the federal government.

26   **SECTION 4.**

- 27       1. This legislation will take effect on October 1st 2025. All laws in conflict with this  
28          legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by James Condon.*

# **A Bill to Implement Desalination Plants in the U.S**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- Section 1:** The U.S Federal Government shall hereby invest in desalination plants within a 50 mile radius of at risk coastal cities.
- Section 2A.** Desalination plants shall be defined as industrial facilities that use chemical or physical processes to reduce or recover salt concentrations from water supplies.
- Section 2B.** Coastal cities shall be defined as cities located on the interface or transition areas between land and sea, including large inland lakes with access to saltwater.
- Section 2C.** “At risk” shall be defined as cities that experience drought on average of at least one month per year according to data provided by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) since 2015.
- Section 3:** The Department of Interior (DOI) will be given 20 billion dollars to be allotted to private and state entities for the creation of desalination plants. The Bureau of Reclamation will be tasked with investing an additional 20 million dollars into research and development through grants. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will regulate the disposal of brine and other waste products.
- Section 4:** This legislation will take effect on January 1st, 2024.
- Section 5:** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Submitted for Congressional Debate by Syosset High School*

# **A Bill to Require Comprehensive Sexual Education in Public Schools to Decrease Sexual Violence**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1:** The U.S Federal Government shall hereby create a comprehensive curriculum covering Consent, Sexual Identity, Sexual Orientation, Sexually Transmitted Diseases and Infections, Sexual Assault and Resources that shall be implemented in all Public High Schools that receive Federal Funding.

**Section 2:** The US Department of Education will work with State Departments of Education to develop a unique curriculum that covers each topic in each state.

**Section 3:** The U.S. Department of Education may leverage federal funding of schools to enforce this legislation. Specific entities in charge of education in states shall leverage state funding to enforce this legislation.

**Section 4:** This legislation will take effect by the 2025-2026 school year.

**Section 5:** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Submitted for Congressional Debate by Syosset High School*