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A - A Bill to Automatically Expel Any Government Official Convicted of Insider Trading

SECTION 1. If any currently elected government official is convicted of insider trading, they shall bypass a congressional vote or impeachment process and automatically be expelled from office.

SECTION 2. Insider trading shall be defined as the illegal practice of trading on the stock exchange to one's own advantage through having access to confidential information.

SECTION 3. The enforcement of this bill shall be overseen by the Federal Bureau of Intelligence.

SECTION 4. This legislation shall take effect on July 1, 2025.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Vallivue High School.

B - The Affordable Contraceptive Access Act

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** All contraceptives in the United States shall be covered by all Medicaid plans,
2 be it employer-sponsored plans, individual plans, and plans offered through
3 government programs, without imposing any copayment, deductible, or other
4 cost-sharing requirements.

5 **SECTION 2.** Contraceptives shall be defined as any Plan B medication, Morning After pills,
6 Condoms, implants, erg. Birth Control of any kind excluding surgeries
7 such as Vasectomies, tubal ligation, etc. any piece of contraceptives
8 defined by the Department of Health and Human Services (excluding the
9 aforementioned surgeries).

10 Covered refers to the insurance plan paying for the contraceptive instead of the
11 buyer.

12 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Health and Human Services shall oversee the
13 passing and execution of this bill.

14 A. The funding for this bill will be provided under medicaid and included in the
15 insurance plan of a citizen with a medicaid plan.

16 B. The Department of Health and Human Services will establish guidelines and
17 procedures for the reimbursement process and the assessment and collection of
18 fines, ensuring transparency and accountability. They will additionally treat
19 contraceptives as any other over the counter drug insurance pays for. HHS shall
20 monitor compliance with the provisions of this Act, conduct regular assessments
21 biannually, and report to Congress on the effectiveness of the program annually.
22 In the event that an organization continues to violate the provisions of this Act
23 despite fines, additional enforcement measures may be pursued by HHS, including, but
24 not limited to, suspension of participation in federal healthcare programs. Any fines
25 collected shall be directed toward the implementation, funding and administration of this
26 Act, including public awareness campaigns and support for family planning services.

27 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2030.

28 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with Sections 1 through 4 of this legislation are hereby declared
29 null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Madison High School.

C - Renewable Energy Infrastructure Expansion Act

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** A national program shall be implemented to expand renewable energy
2 infrastructure including solar wind hydroelectric and geothermal power
3 systems across the United States.

4 **SECTION 2.** A. Renewable energy infrastructure refers to facilities, equipment, and
5 technology used to generate, store, and distribute energy from renewable
6 sources such as solar panels, wind turbines, hydroelectric dams, and
7 geothermal plants.

8 B. This program shall prioritize projects in underserved and rural areas to
9 ensure equitable access to renewable energy resources.

10 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Energy (DOE) shall oversee the implementation and
11 management of the program.

12 A. The DOE will establish grant programs for state governments,
13 municipalities, and private entities to fund renewable energy projects.

14 B. Preference will be given to projects that demonstrate measurable
15 reductions in carbon emissions and promote local job creation.

16 **SECTION 4.** Funding for the program will come from a 0.4% increase in federal
17 corporate taxes for fossil fuel companies and large polluters.

18 A. Additional funds will be allocated from federal subsidies previously
19 designated for non-renewable energy projects.

20 B. States and municipalities receiving grants must match at least 20% of the
21 funding to demonstrate local commitment.

22 **SECTION 5.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2026. All laws in conflict with
23 this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by American Falls High School.

D - A Bill to Require Mandated Drivers Tests when you Renew License

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. All U.S. states as well as Washington D.C shall require applicants to take a driver's test to receive their license. This legislation will require all citizens who renew their license to take the mandated drivers tests in their resided state to receive their renewed license to ensure safe driving practices.

SECTION 2. Mandated should be defined as to direct or require someone to do something.
Drivers' tests shall be defined as an official test of competence which must be passed to get a driver's license

SECTION 3. The Department of Transportation will oversee enforcement of this bill.
A. The punishment for an individual's driving with an unexpired license shall remain the same and depend on the state a driver resides in.
B. States not in compliance shall have federal interstate funding withheld.

SECTION 4. This legislation will take effect January 1st, 2027.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Mountain View High School.

E - A Bill to Impose the Death Penalty for Repeat Offenders of Rape in Order to Reduce Sexual Assault Crimes

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** Individuals convicted of rape and declared guilty for more than one instance
2 will hereby be sentenced to the death penalty.
- 3 **SECTION 2.** Rape- Sexual assault involving sexual intercourse, or other forms of sexual
4 penetration, carried out against a person without their consent.
5 Repeat offenders- Offenders who have been convicted of rape more than
6 once.
- 7 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice will oversee this legislation.
- 8 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on July 1, 2025. All laws in conflict with
9 this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Canyon Ridge High School.

F - The Education Reform Act

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. All United States States, Territories, and Districts are hereby mandated to fund schools based on their enrollment.

SECTION 2. “Enrollment” will be defined as the amount of people registered to attend a specific school.

SECTION 3. The United States Department of Education will oversee the implementation of this bill.

A. Any state that does not comply with this legislation within one (1) year of the passing of the legislation will lose all Federal Funding and Assistance that is pertained to Education until “Section One (1)” is enacted.

SECTION 4. This legislation will take effect immediately upon passing.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Skyview High School.

G - A Bill to Require Telehealth to be Included in Insurance Plans

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** All health insurance plans offered in the United States must cover telehealth
2 services to the same extent that they cover in person services to increase
3 accessibility for all patients.

4 **SECTION 2.**

5 A. Telehealth is defined as the use of technology to provide remote
6 healthcare.

7 B. Insurance plans are the contract between insurance companies and
8 policyholders that state what types of charges will be covered by the
9 insurance companies.

10 **SECTION 3.** The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) will ensure
11 compliance. The penalties for non-compliance would vary depending on
12 the severity and scope of the violation. The department of insurance in
13 each state will determine the amount of the penalties

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Kimberly High School.

H - A Bill to Ban AI Generated Deepfakes

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. Upon passage of this bill, the use of Artificial Intelligence to create a digital likeness of a person in a manner not approved by said person will be strictly considered illicit. Any and all deepfakes currently circulating will be taken down and future ones will be terminated as well.

SECTION 2. A deepfake shall be defined as a video of a person in which their face or body has been digitally altered so that they appear to be someone else, typically used maliciously or to spread false information. Artificial intelligence (AI) will be defined as the theory and development of computer systems able to perform tasks that normally require human intelligence, such as visual perception, speech recognition, decision-making, and translation between languages.

SECTION 3. Both the Department of Justice and the Department of State will conjunctly enforce this bill.

A. If a person is found guilty of using AI to manipulate one's face and/or body for malicious intent, they must either compensate in monetary value or to serve a jail sentence (which is not to exceed 365 days).

B. A repeat offender may be given more serious punishments including higher fines and a jail sentence (which is not to exceed 730 days).

SECTION 4. This legislation will 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 Renaissance High School.

I - A Bill to Fund and Promote Thorium-Based Molten Salt Nuclear Reactors

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** The United States federal government shall allocate \$12 billion over 10
2 years to fund the research, development, and construction of thorium-based
3 molten salt nuclear reactors (TMSRs) to enhance clean energy production.

4 **SECTION 2.** For the purposes of this legislation, TMSRs are defined as nuclear reactors
5 utilizing liquid fluoride or chloride salts as fuel, with thorium-232 as the
6 primary material and fissile materials such as uranium-233 or uranium-235
7 to sustain reactions.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Energy (DOE) shall oversee the TMSR program,
9 coordinating with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) to establish
10 streamlined safety and operational guidelines. Funding shall be allocated as
11 follows:

12 A. \$2 billion for research and regulatory development over five years.

13 B. \$5 billion for pilot reactor deployment and supply chain development.

14 C. \$5 billion for commercial-scale reactor construction and infrastructure.

15 **SECTION 4.** Incentives, including tax credits and federal loan guarantees, shall be
16 provided to private and public entities participating in TMSR projects. The
17 DOE shall implement a cost-sharing model to match federal funding with
18 private investment.

19 **SECTION 5.** This legislation shall take effect at the start of Fiscal Year 2026.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Lake City High School.

J - A Bill to Regulate Health Caps for Specialty Drinks

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. All food service entities must ensure all drinks fit the guidelines of not exceeding 200mg of caffeine and 500 empty calories per drink regardless of size.

SECTION 2. Specialty drinks will be defined as distinct beverages from food service entities that specialize in selling caffeinated beverages, and other related beverages. Empty calories will be defined as calories that provide no nutritional value, I.E when sugar and/or caffeine outweighs the nutritional value. Food service entities will be defined as individuals who have a food service license to operate.

SECTION 3. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) will oversee the enactment and enforcement of this legislation.

A. Food service entities that fail to comply will be fined 20% of their monthly revenue.

B. The fined money will be reallocated to the FDA.

SECTION 4. This legislation will go into 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 Mountain Home High School.

K - A Bill to Amend the Bottom Trawl Clarity Act.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** The H.R.8507 Bottom Trawl Clarity Act of 2024 should hereby be redefined
2 to permit commercial fishing only within federally defined “substantial
3 bottom contact” and “limited bottom contact” zones to preserve marine
4 ecosystems.

5 **SECTION 2.** Definitions should be defined as follows:

6 **A. Substantial Bottom contact zones:** Areas where fishing gear is
7 permitted to have significant, direct contact with the seafloor, primarily
8 targeting robust ecosystems or low sensitivity areas that can tolerate
9 disturbances.

10 **B. Limited Bottom contact zones:** Areas where fishing gear is allowed
11 minimal contact with the seafloor to reduce ecosystem damage.

12 **C. No Bottom contact zones:** Areas completely restricted to any
13 commercial fishing activities.

14 **SECTION 3.** The Agency that will oversee the implementation of this legislation
15 is the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

16 **A.** This firm will amend the defined areas of zoning to better preserve
17 the ecosystems being damaged.

18 **B.** This firm will work in partnership with local authorities to gather specific
19 data to make the new zones as beneficial and accurate as possible.

20 **C.** This firm will provide the necessary enforcement and resources to local
21 authorities to guarantee that marine ecosystems are protected.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Rigby High School

L - A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Lower the Voting Age to 16

1 **RESOLVED**, By two-thirds of the Congress here assembled, that the following
2 article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United
3 States, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the
4 Constitution when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the
5 several states within seven years from the date of its submission by
6 the Congress:

ARTICLE --

8 **SECTION 1.** The Voting Age will be lowered to a federal standard of 16 years of
9 age, for local, state, and federal elections. This legislation will take
10 effect at the beginning of the 2026 calendar year.

SECTION 2.

12 A. Voting Age shall be defined as the age one is permitted to
13 vote under the law.

14 B. Local election shall be defined as a democratic election for
15 positions as executive officials on a local scale, such as mayor or
16 city council.

17 C. State election shall be defined as a democratic election for
18 executive positions on a State scale, such as governor.

19 D. Federal elections shall be defined as a democratic election for
20 positions as executive officials on a federal scale, such as president
21 and vice president.

22 **SECTION 3.** This will be overseen by the Federal Election Commission.

23 **SECTION 4.** The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by
24 appropriate legislation.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Highland High School.

M - A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Limit Supreme Court Justices to an 18-Year Term

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:

ARTICLE --

7 **SECTION 1.** Supreme Court justices shall serve a single, non-renewable term of 18
8 years. Upon completion of their term, justices shall retire from the bench
9 and may not be reappointed. Justices currently serving on the Supreme
10 Court who have exceeded 18 years in office shall retire once a new justice is
11 nominated and appointed. Justices who have served less than 18 years shall
12 continue to serve until they reach the 18- year limit.

13 **SECTION 2.** "Term" shall be defined as the continuous period during which a justice
14 serves on the Supreme Court, beginning from the date of their confirmation
15 by the Senate. "Retire from the bench" shall mean that the justice ceases all
16 duties and responsibilities associated with the Supreme Court.

17 **SECTION 3.** The Judicial Conference of the United States shall oversee the
18 implementation of this amendment. The President shall nominate new
19 justices to fill vacancies in accordance with the established term limits.
20 Congress shall provide necessary funding and resources to support the
21 transition and enforcement.

22 **SECTION 4.** The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate
23 legislation.

24 **SECTION 5.** This amendment shall take effect on January 20, 2029.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Wood River High School.

N - A Bill to Require Schools to Hire More Mental Health Professionals

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** This bill's purpose is to add more mental health professionals to prioritize
2 students' mental health.

3 A. in order to receive care, a student must sign up for care through an
4 online portal in the schools website, or through the students guidance
5 counselor.

6 **SECTION 2.** Hire shall be defined as employing someone for wages.

7 Wages shall be defined as the base salary of the Mental Health occupation that will
8 be allowed raises based on experiences, skill, and speciality.

9 Mental health professionals shall be defined as a health care practitioner or social
10 and human services provider who offers services for the purpose of improving an
11 individual's mental health.

12 Schools A process of learning and management of socially approved knowledge,
13 involving an approved curriculum and pedagogy, paid professional educators,
14 compulsory attendance of pupils, and school grouping.

15 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Labor, NIMH, SAMHSA, and the U.S. Department of
16 Health and Human services shall oversee the implementation of this
17 legislation.

18 A. All schools must hire at least 2 mental health professionals by the beginning of the
19 school year of 2025-2026.

20 B. Hiring process will begin directly after the passing of this legislation. Schools are
21 expected to have 2 mental health professionals by the start of the new school year.

22 C. Schools in conflict with this legislation will receive a fine of \$200 every 2 months the
23 school remains in conflict.

24 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect immediately upon passage.

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

26 *Introduced for Congressional Debate by Century High School.*

O - A Bill to Regulate Gifted Programs of Public School Districts

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** To regulate the implementation of gifted programs and testing in public schools.

2 **SECTION 2.**

3 A. Gifted programs will be defined as classes, plans, or
4 school-sanctioned extracurricular activities designed to provide
5 accelerated learning or enrichment to gifted students.

6 B. Gifted students will be defined as students who score within or
7 above the 97th percentile on quantitative giftedness, language arts
8 giftedness, or non-verbal reasoning giftedness on State Board of
9 Education-approved tests for the identification of gifted students.

10 **SECTION 3.** This will be implemented by the Dept. of Education and the states in
11 the following ways:

12 A. Schools must provide a mandatory test when any student enters their
13 district whether in elementary or secondary school except if that student
14 has already been documented as gifted or non-gifted.

15 B. Schools must provide mandatory training to teachers of all grade
16 levels to train them in how to teach and treat gifted students before the
17 beginning of a school year which will be repeated with any necessary
18 changes every following year.

19 C. Schools must provide either acceleration options, advanced classes,
20 or alternative gifted and talented programs as necessary for the school's
21 size, population, and grade level for all grades. Students will be allowed
22 to participate in these programs provided they meet either of the
23 following criteria:

24 - They have been previously tested as gifted on school entry and meet
25 other requirements to enter the program or class.

26 - They wish to participate regardless of gifted status and both the
27 parent or legal guardian of the student and the student sign a formal
28 document acknowledging that they will not hold the school responsible
29 if they fail, along with meeting other requirements for the program or
30 class.

31 Per state felony laws, the U.S. Dept. of Justice will oversee fines upon
32 schools that don't provide the aforementioned implementations or
33 individual teachers that don't comply with the implementations.

34 **SECTION 4.** This bill will be carried out on June 1, 2026. The Dept. of Edu. shall
35 provide funding to school districts after they have been provided an itemized
36 list of the necessary costs specific to the needs of each school district.

37 **SECTION 5.** All laws or sections of laws in conflict with this legislation are henceforth
38 declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Snake River High School.

P - A Bill to Recognize the Kitty Foster Care Program in Prisons to Promote Rehabilitation

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** The Kitty Foster Care Program is hereby recognized as a federally endorsed
2 initiative, ensuring eligibility for federal funding and streamlined oversight
3 by the Department of Justice (DOJ) and the Bureau of Prisons (BOP) in
4 cooperation with state and local agencies.

5 **SECTION 2.** Cat adoption programs aim to reduce recidivism and promote rehabilitation
6 through animal care. Under this program:

7 A. Prisoners deemed to exhibit good behavior by prison staff will be paid at
8 least 20 cents per hour to care for abandoned and abused cats.

9 B. Once a cat is ready for adoption, it will be transferred to an animal
10 adoption center.

11 Cats eligible for the program include those considered unadoptable by local
12 shelters or scheduled for euthanasia.

13 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice (DOJ), in collaboration with the Bureau of
14 Prisons (BOP) and the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service
15 (APHIS), shall be responsible for overseeing the implementation and
16 enforcement of this program.

17 A. The Bureau of Prisons shall manage the day-to-day operations within
18 participating facilities, ensuring that prisoners involved in the program
19 meet the qualifications outlined in Section 2 and that proper care is
20 provided to the cats.

21 B. The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service will collaborate with
22 local animal shelters and animal control agencies to identify suitable cats
23 for the program and ensure their well-being throughout their time in
24 prison care.

25 C. The Department of Justice shall conduct regular evaluations of the
26 program's effectiveness in promoting rehabilitation and reducing
27 recidivism, reporting findings to Congress on an annual basis.

28 **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 Ridgevue High School

Q - A Resolution to Address the Crisis of Homelessness in Urban Areas

- 1 **WHEREAS**, the number of homeless individuals in urban areas is rising, reflecting
2 broader social and economic challenges; and
- 3 **WHEREAS**, homelessness often results in severe physical and mental health issues, lack
4 of access to basic services; and
- 5 **WHEREAS**, homelessness disproportionately affects vulnerable populations such as
6 veterans, low-income families, and those with disabilities;
- 7 **RESOLVED**, that the Congress here assembled encouraged state and local governments to
8 collaborate on developing and implementing strategies to combat
9 homelessness, with a focus on providing necessary resources and support
10 systems to affected individuals.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Skyline High School.

R - A Bill to Improve Voting Turnout in Young Adults

BE IT ENACTED BY CONGRESS HERE TODAY:

1 **SECTION 1.** The need for state-issued Identification to register to vote is no longer
2 necessary for out-of-state university and college students. For voting
3 registration, all states will take the university and college students' IDs, along
4 with students' personal IDs from the students' home states.

5 **SECTION 2.** Voting registration shall be defined as the process by which citizens must go
6 through to vote legally. Voting shall be defined as the act of choosing something
7 or someone in an election. ID is Identification or by which the government
8 confirms who one is.

9 **SECTION 3.** The Federal Elections Commission will oversee this bill. This is to help
10 improve voting turnout in young adults while still maintaining the rights within
11 the NVRA. (National Voter Registration Act)

12 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect January 1, 2026.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Twin Falls High School.

S - A Bill to Require the Switch to Reusable School Meal Trays

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** All public schools will be required to switch to using reusable lunch trays for all
2 meals in order to reduce pollution from polystyrene plastics and biodegradable
3 material manufacturing.

4 **SECTION 2.** A reusable lunch tray is defined as a food container that can be cleaned and
5 reused again. Reusable lunch trays can be made from a variety of materials.

6 **SECTION 3.** This legislation will be overseen by the department of education.

7 A. Violation of the law will result in a 5,000 dollar fine to the school. This fine
8 will be repeated every year until the school abides by the law.

9 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1st, 2029. All laws in conflict with
10 this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Columbia High School.

T - A Bill to Put Age Limits on All Publicly Elected Officials

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** In the passing of this legislation, a mandatory maximum age limit of 65
2 years will be instated upon all officials running for any and all national
3 public offices.

4 **SECTION 2.** National public offices shall hereby be defined as President, Vice President,
5 U.S. Senators, U.S. Representatives, delegates to the House of
6 Representatives from U.S. territories and the District of Columbia, and
7 Resident Commissioner.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Federal Election Commission shall oversee the enforcement of this
9 legislation.

10 A. Any and all candidates who are elected past the age of 65 shall not be
11 allowed to take office.

12 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect at the start of 2026. All laws in conflict with
13 this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Capital High School.

U - A Bill to Require all Hospitals to Discuss Itemized Hospital Bills with Patients

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** All hospitals will be required to have a member of the hospital staff discuss
2 their itemized hospital bill with them before being discharged.
3 A. Patients can choose to read itemized lists themselves or opt out of
4 receival of itemized hospital bills.
- 5 **SECTION 2.** An itemized hospital bill is defined as a comprehensive list of all the
6 services received during a patient's stay broken down into individual
7 charges.
- 8 **SECTION 3.** The Office of Inspector General and Centers for Medicare and Medicaid
9 will oversee the enforcement of this. The Hospital Billing Manager of the
10 hospital will ensure patients receive itemized bills.
- 11 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on February 1, 2026, coinciding with patient
12 recognition week and American health month. All laws in conflict with this
13 legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Bonneville High School.

V - A Resolution to Recommend Colleges to Make Standardized Test Score Submission Optional

1 **WHEREAS**, Standardized test score submission requirements are inconsistent for
2 different college institutions; and
3 **WHEREAS**, Not all students have the same access to resources that can help them prepare for
4 standardized tests or may not be good test takers; and
5 **WHEREAS**, Given access and score inconsistencies, standardized tests provide an inaccurate
6 picture of a student's academic potential; and
7 **WHEREAS**, Considering these problems, requiring test scores may eliminate capable and
8 deserving candidates; now, therefore, be it
9 **RESOLVED**, That the Congress here assembled shall recommend colleges to stop requiring
10 standardized test score submission.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Bishop Kelly High School.

W - A Bill to Require Access to Mental Health Services

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. A bill that shall require health insurance providers to cover mental health services and mental health service providers shall be required to accept health insurance companies.

SECTION 2. “Mental health services” shall be defined as necessary treatment by a mental health provider that includes but is not limited to psychiatrists, psychologists, licensed counselors, social workers, nurse practitioners, and family physicians in order to provide therapy and counseling to the patient to ensure appropriate mental health. “Health insurance providers” shall be defined as healthcare professionals that provide medical care to its members, Medicare and Medicaid are included.

SECTION 3. The enforcement will be overseen by The United States Department of Health and Welfare.

A. The Department of Health and Welfare will work with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to enforce this law.

B. Health Insurance Companies and Mental Health Providers that do not comply will be fined 10% of their profit of every fiscal year until they comply, the money collected would be given to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid. Mental Health Service Providers that fail to comply for 5 fiscal years would have their license revoked.

SECTION 4. This legislation will take effect on June 1st, 2026.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Meridian High School.

X - A Bill to Require Intimacy Coordinators for Films and Television Shows

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** All productions with a budget of \$350,000 or higher, and those of which
2 depict intimate scenes with existing actors, must provide an intimacy
3 coordinator on set while intimate scenes are filmed.

4 **SECTION 2.** Productions are defined as pieces of media such as, but not limited to,
5 movies, films, and television series. Intimate scene is defined as any scene
6 that involves nudity, simulated sex, or sensual activity between actors.
7 Existing is defined as alive and real. An intimacy coordinator is defined as a
8 professional who works with actors to ensure that intimate
9 scenes are performed safely, respectfully, and consensually.

10 **SECTION 3.** The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and the Screen
11 Actors Guild and the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists
12 (SAG-AFTRA) will conjunctly oversee enforcement.

13 A. All violations of this bill will result in a fine of \$35,000 against the
14 production team for each day filming of intimate scenes occurs 16 without a
15 coordinator present, along with the immediate cancellation of all filming.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Rocky Mountain High School.

Y - A Bill to Expand the Family and Medical Leave Act to Improve Employee Benefits

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** The Family and Medical Leave Act will be expanded to include lowered
2 requirements for eligibility, pay during job-protected leave, and a longer
3 job-protected leave.
- 4 **SECTION 2.** The Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 is a national labor law requiring
5 certain employers to provide employees with job-protected, unpaid leave for
6 qualified medical and family reasons, including but not limited to parental
7 leave or for medical emergencies.
- 8 A. This bill will lower the employee requirement to include employers with
9 20 or more employees under conditions established by the original Act.
- 10 B. The hour requirement of working for eligibility will be lowered to 1,040
11 hours per year. Part-time employees are eligible after 50% of their
12 yearly work hours.
- 13 C. The period of job-protected leave will be expanded from 12 weeks per
14 year to 15 weeks per year.
- 15 D. Eligible employees will receive 60% of pay during the first 10 weeks
16 taken and 50% of pay for the remaining 5 weeks, paid by the employer,
17 unless supplemented by a state or federal program.
- 18 **SECTION 3.** The Wage and Hour Division of the Department of Labor will oversee
19 enforcement of this bill, including issuing existing penalties for
20 noncompliance.
- 21 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2026. All laws in conflict with
22 this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Timberline High School.

Z - The Federal Police Body Camera Transparency Act

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- SECTION 1.** All federal law enforcement officers shall be required to wear body cameras during law enforcement interactions. State and local police departments receiving federal funding must also comply.
- SECTION 2.** A law enforcement interaction is defined as any instance in which an officer engages with a civilian for investigative, enforcement, or public safety purposes, including stops, arrests, searches, use of force, interrogations, warrant executions, and emergency responses.
- SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice shall oversee enforcement of this legislation and conduct regular audits to ensure compliance.
- A. Officers must activate their body cameras before engaging in any law enforcement interactions and may not deactivate them until the interaction concludes, except in cases involving protected privacy matters, such as medical emergencies or confidential informants.
 - B. Footage must be securely stored for at least 6 months for routine interactions, and 5 years for cases involving use of force, civilian complaints, or ongoing investigations. Officers are prohibited from deleting, altering, or tampering with footage.
 - C. The DOJ shall establish a federal grant program to assist state and local law enforcement agencies in purchasing and maintaining body cameras, funded through reallocation of existing DOJ law enforcement grants.
 - D. Officers who intentionally disable cameras, delete footage, or fail to comply with activation rules without justification shall face termination.
 - E. Any department out of compliance with this legislation will be subject to a loss of federal funding.
- SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2027. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby null and void.

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