

October 18, 2025

Packet Please read these docket and procedural rules very carefully. They will be in effect for the duration of the tournament.

- 1. Each session (Session 1, Session 2) has three main pieces of legislation. That is six total topics to research.
- 2. Chambers will decide among themselves by a majority vote of the chamber what order to debate the three main pieces of legislation assigned to each session.
- 3. No additional legislation may be considered. If a chamber debates all three pieces for that session, the session is over. All students should be prepared to speak on each topic for the session.
- 4. The docket agenda can be amended at any time by a 2/3 vote of the chamber, but students may only move around the three pieces of main legislation for that session.

 Competitors may not move legislation from other sessions.
- 5. Each piece of legislation must have a minimum of both one affirmative and one negative speech before calling for previous question. Students are encouraged to debate each topic thoroughly but not to the point of rehash. Chamber members should call for previous question when debate gets stale.

RECENCY: Each chamber will receive a randomized list of students from the TabRoom. This list shall serve as the initial precedence list for speeches. Precedence for questions shall follow the reverse order of the speech precedence list. Each chamber will receive a new precedence list for the second session.

PRESIDING OFFICERS: Parliamentarians will conduct the election for Presiding Officer. Students should not see or count the ballots. And students should not preside over the election.

Novice chambers will elect Presiding Officers. Coaches should teach their Congress students how to preside ahead of the tournament.

There will be only one Presiding Officer per session.

Cross examination will use direct questioning with individual questioning periods of 30 seconds until the total cross examination time for the speaker has expired. The Presiding Officer will keep a separate recency chart for this and ensure that all competitors have an equal chance to ask questions. Initial precedence for questioning will follow the reverse order of the initial speech precedence list.

LEGISLATION DOCKET

Two preliminary sessions - No Finals

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Session One (Chamber decides order):

A Bill to Remove the Social Security Cap - p. 9

A Bill to Jumpstart Domestic Rubber Production - p. 8

An Act to Award the Congressional Gold Medal to Rudi Giuliani -p. 5

Session Two (Chamber decides order):

A Bill to Kill the Shadow Docket - p.10

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Establish the Right to Unionize - p. 12

A Bill to Reverse and Prevent Intercensal Redistricting- p. 3