



## Jackrabbit Jamboree 2026

### Congressional Debate Final Docket

**Items A-F will be used in High School Congressional Debate and in Cottontail Congress Prelims. The final 2 items will be used in Cottontail Finals.**

Each chamber will vote on their preferred agenda at the beginning of Session 1.

Both High School Congress and the Cottontail will use Direct Questioning.

High School Congress will feature a Final Appeal Speech upon the passage of Previous Question. The Cottontail will not have a Final Appeal.

# **A - A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Clarify the Definition of War**

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

## ARTICLE --

7 **SECTION 1:** The President shall not introduce the Armed Forces of the United States  
8 into hostilities, or into situations where hostilities are clearly imminent,  
9 except pursuant to a declaration of war enacted by both Houses of  
10 Congress in accordance with Article I, Section 8, Clause 11. Any order  
11 issued in violation of this article shall be unlawful.

12 **SECTION 2:** For purposes of this article, hostilities shall include any use of armed  
13 force by the United States, including combat operations, air or missile  
14 strikes, and the deployment of military forces into foreign territory where  
15 armed conflict is occurring or reasonably anticipated.

20 **SECTION 4:** The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate  
21 legislation

Submitted for Congressional Debate by Brophy College Preparatory

## **B - A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Enfranchise the Incarcerated**

## ARTICLE-

*Submitted for Congressional Debate by BASIS Scottsdale*

# C - A Bill to End the Private Ownership and Operation of Prisons and Detention Facilities

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The federal government shall hereby prohibit any private corporation or for-  
3 profit entity from owning or operating prison housing or detention facilities. All  
4 such facilities shall then be transferred to federal or state ownership, dependent  
5 upon their intended use, with just compensation as determined according to  
6 fair market valuation.

7 **SECTION 2.** Such facilities shall be defined as any building that employs federal or state  
8 officials to guard persons that have been lawfully convicted at the federal or  
9 state level, or that are detained while awaiting trial, sentencing, or immigration  
10 proceedings. This includes prisons, correctional facilities, jails, and immigration  
11 detention centers.

12 **SECTION 3.** The Federal Bureau of Prisons, the Department of Justice, U.S Immigration and  
13 Customs Enforcement, alongside any necessary state agencies will carry out this  
14 legislation.

15 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on FY 2027.

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

*Submitted for Congressional Debate by Sunnyslope High School*

## D - A Bill to Prohibit Arms and Defense Trade between America, Israel, and Saudi Arabia to Promote Regional Stability

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Congress shall establish an arms embargo between the  
3 federal government, domestic weapons companies, and the governments of  
4 Israel and Saudi Arabia due to their role in perpetration of regional conflicts.

5 **SECTION 2.** A weapons embargo shall be defined as a restriction or ban on trading, selling,  
6 or transferring weapons, military equipment, and related services to the  
7 specified countries.

8 **SECTION 3.** This bill shall be overseen and enforced by the Department of Defense:

9       A. Any company who violates the embargo will be subject to a fine, removal of  
10       their federal subsidies, and reevaluation of any federal contracts as  
11       determined by the Department of Defense in concert with the Justice  
12       Department.

13       B. Congress shall meet annually to determine if the arms embargo should  
14       remain in effect.

15 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect in FY 2027.

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

*Submitted for Congressional Debate by Arizona College Preparatory*

# E - A Bill to Fund Agriculture Worldwide to Solve World Hunger

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Congress will reinvest 20% of the United States military budget and allocate the  
3 money towards international agricultural production and climate-smart  
4 agriculture, especially in areas of high food insecurity.

5 **SECTION 2.** Areas of high food insecurity are defined as countries that have a prevalence  
6 percentage of undernourishment of more than 10, according to the Food and  
7 Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. Climate-smart agriculture (CSA)  
8 is defined as an integrated approach to managing landscapes—cropland,  
9 livestock, forests, and fisheries--that address the interlinked challenges of food  
10 security and climate change according to the World Bank.

11 **SECTION 3.** Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC) will oversee this legislation. Failure to  
12 properly allocate these funds will result in enforcement, along with the specific  
13 enforcement mechanism.

14 **A.** Subsections may be used to elaborate further details, but are are only  
15 needed if you need to have more than one subsection.

16 **B.** This would be a second subsection.

17 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2027. All laws in conflict with this  
18 legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Submitted for Congressional Debate by American Leadership Academy Gilbert North*

## F - A Bill to Ban Congressional Stock Trading to Reduce Corruption

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All members of the United States Congress, their spouses and their dependents  
3 shall be prohibited from trading or owning stocks or crypto currency unless the  
4 assets are in qualified blind trusts.

5 **SECTION 2.** A qualified blind trust is a trust managed by an independent trustee of which  
6 the grantor has no knowledge or influence on the contents of investment.

7 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall be overseen and enforced by the Securities and Exchange  
8 Commission.

9 **A.** The Securities and Exchange Commission shall be appropriated funds for the  
10 oversight and enforcement of this legislation.

11 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect on July 1, 2026.

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

*Submitted for Congressional Debate by BASIS Tucson North*

# Cottontail Final 1 - A Bill to Enact a Clean Packaging Act

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All companies selling packaged goods in the United States will be required to  
3 use recyclable or biodegradable packaging by the year 2030.

4 **SECTION 2.** For the purpose of this legislation, recyclable or biodegradable packaging will be  
5 defined as:

6       A. Materials that can be processed and reused in commercial recycling  
7 facilities;

8       B. Packaging that can decompose naturally without releasing harmful  
9 chemicals;

10      C. Products certified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as  
11 meeting national sustainability standards.

12 **SECTION 3.** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) shall be responsible for the  
13 implementation and enforcement of this Act.

14       A. The EPA will oversee the creation of guidelines for recyclable and  
15 biodegradable materials by 2030.

16       B. Companies failing to meet these requirements after January 1, 2030,  
17 shall be fined up to \$50,000 per violation.

18 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2027. All laws in conflict with this  
19 legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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# Cottontail Final 2 - The Flood Prevention Infrastructure Expansion Act

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The federal government shall allocate an additional \$5 billion annually for the  
3 next ten years to expand infrastructure for flood-prevention in areas prone to  
4 flooding across the United States.

5 **SECTION 2.** "Flood-prevention infrastructure" shall be defined as physical and natural  
6 systems designed to reduce the impacts of flooding. This includes "Green-gray"  
7 infrastructure, which is a mix of natural coastal buffers such as seagrasses with  
8 conventional flood-mitigation approaches such as seawalls and concrete dams.  
9 "High-risk regions" shall be defined as areas identified by the Federal Emergency  
10 Management Agency as having the highest flood vulnerability based on  
11 historical data and projected climate risks.

12 **SECTION 3.** The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) as well as the U.S. Army  
13 Corps of Engineers shall oversee the implementation and enforcement of this  
14 legislation.

15     A. FEMA shall administer funding through the Hazard Mitigation Assistance  
16         program.  
17     B. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers shall be responsible for the design,  
18         construction and oversight of infrastructure projects.

19 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2027.

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

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