

# 2025 Winter Trophy Congressional Docket Division 1

At the 2024 Spring Conference "A Proposal to have Online Voting for Congressional Docket Order" was approved.

Tournament directors are required to randomly select a docket order prior to competition. The purpose is to reduce large school advantage in dictating the docket order on their own.

### Congress Session 1 the docket order will be as follows:

- A. A Bill to Unify Kei Truck Regulations
- B. A Bill to Mandate Presidential Service in the Military
- C. A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to All US Citizens to Run for President
- D. A Bill to Establish a Federal Bitcoin Mining Facility to Generate Renewable Revenue

### Congress Session 2 the docket order will be as follows:

- E. A Bill to Establish Medical Patents
- F. A Bill to Establish a Federally Anchored Minimum Wage to Solidify Our Citizens Financial Stability
- G. A Bill Requiring Employers to Provide Employees with Paid Paternity Leave
- H. A Bill to Improve Roads

## A Bill to Unify Kei Truck Regulations

### BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- **SECTION 1.** The restrictions and legality of Kei trucks vary by state and are in excess to the laws and restrictions provided by the Department of Transportation.
- **SECTION 2.** Kei trucks are now declared legal in the United States, provided they meet the general regulations provided by the Department of Transportation.
- The enforcement of this bill will be carried out by the Department of Transportation.
- **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect in the fiscal year of 2027. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by McClintock High School.

### A Bill to Mandate Presidential Service in the Military

#### BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- Any individual who seeks the office of President of the United States must have served at least one 4-year term of active military service. In order to be eligible for the presidential election, they must be honorably or medically discharged, in order to be fully qualified to serve as Commander-In-Chief of the country's military forces and to gain a better understanding of national security, discipline, accountability, public trust, and leadership in their role.
- "Military Service" will be defined as "the performance of active duty in a country's armed forces, either through voluntary enlistment or conscription (the draft). This can include full-time service in branches like the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Space Force, National Guard, and Coast Guard, as well as periods when reservists are ordered to active duty." "Honorably Discharged" will be defined as "the highest-level military separation, signifying that a service member has fulfilled their service with distinction."

"Medically Discharged" will be defined as "when a service member becomes ill or is injured during their military service and becomes unable to perform the duties required of a productive member of the military."

- The Department of Defense and Federal Election Committee will oversee the background checks for presidential candidates and enforce the certification of military service regulations.
- This legislation will take effect in FY 2028. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Pinnacle High School.

# A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Allow all US Citizens to Run for Presidency

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

#### ARTICLE --

No Person except a Citizen of the United States, natural-born or naturalized, shall be eligible to the Office of President; neither shall any Person be eligible to that Office who shall not have attained to the Age of thirty-five Years, and been ten Years a Resident within the United States.

SECTION 1: Article II, Section 1, Clause 5 shall be amended to such that all citizens shall be eligible to the Office of President granted they meet the requirements detailed in the Article.

**SECTION 2:** The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Arizona College Prep High School.

# A Bill to Establish a Federal Bitcoin Mining Facility to Generate Renewable Revenue

### BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- SECTION 1. The federal government shall establish a Bitcoin mining facility to generate renewable energy-based cryptocurrency revenue for the United States Treasury.
- **SECTION 2. A.** Bitcoin mining shall be defined as the process of validating and recording Bitcoin transactions on a blockchain network in exchange for Bitcoin rewards.
  - **B.** Renewable energy shall be defined as energy derived from naturally replenished sources such as solar, wind, hydroelectric, and nuclear power.
  - **C**. All revenue shall fund renewable energy research through the Department of Energy's Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.
- **SECTION 3.** The Department of Energy (DOE) shall oversee the creation and operation of the facility.
  - **A.** The Department of Defense (DoD) shall allocate \$500 million from its discretionary budget to fund its establishment.
  - **B.** All Bitcoin mined shall be stored in a federal digital reserve wallet managed by the Department of the Treasury
- **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect on October 1, 2026.
- **SECTION 5** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Mesa High School.

### A Bill to Abolish Medical Patents

### BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- SECTION 1. All medical patents shall hereby be nullified. The U.S. Patent and Trademark

  Office shall be restricted from issuing any and all medical patents in the future.

  The National Institutes of Health (NIH) shall be allocated an additional 70 billion dollars per year to finance the research and development done by the pharmaceutical industry.
- SECTION 2. Medical patents shall be defined as patents on any medication, medical device, or medical process that prevent other competitors from producing similar medications, devices, or processes.
- The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, the Department of Commerce, and the Department of Health and Human Services shall oversee the enforcement of this legislation.
- **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on July 1, 2026.
- **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Hamilton High School.

# A Bill to Establish a Federally Anchored Minimum Wage to Solidify Our Citizens Financial Stability

### BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- The federal government shall incrementally raise the current federal minimum wage for all qualified workers from \$7.25 per hour to \$15.00 per hour, over the course of three years.
- **SECTION 2.** For the purposes of this legislation
  - a. Qualified employees shall be defined as all nonexempt employees that are currently covered under the Fair Labor Standards Act.
  - b. Existing minimum wage exceptions such as but not limited to workers with disabilities, full-time students, youth under 20 in their first consecutive calendar days of employment, tipped employees and student-leaners.
- **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Department of Labor shall oversee this bill, in cooperation with appropriate State agencies for the implementation of this legislation.
  - A. The federal minimum wage shall be increased the first year to \$10.00 hr., the second year to \$13.00 hr., and the final year to \$15.00 hr.
  - B. The government shall appropriate \$100 billion from the Department of Defense budget establishing a fund to help support states who struggle with the implementation of this increase. Congress shall reevaluate the need for this fund after each fiscal year until the \$15.00 hr. has been implemented.
  - C. Exceptions for the minimum wage, such as younger workers under the age of 20, will receive a minimum wage increase equal to the percentage that the general federal wage has increased as determined by the Department of Labor.
- **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on FY 2026. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Arizona College Prep High School

#### BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- **SECTION 1.** A 3-month optional paid paternity leave shall hereby be mandated for all places of employment.
- SECTION 2. Paternity leave is defined as a leave of absence granted to a male identifying employee who adopts a child or is acting as a newborn child's parental guardian immediately following their birth.
- **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall be enforced by the Department of Labor.
  - A. Violating employers of this mandate shall pay a fine of no more than 10,000 dollars per instance.
- **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect on July 1, 2026.
- **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Hamilton High School.

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### A Bill to Improve Roads in the US

- The United States will allocate an additional 100 billion dollars to improving roads and bridges designed at subpar quality in the US. 80% of the budget will go to repairing and replacing roads with concrete, with the remaining 20% going to asphalt.
- Section 2. Subpar quality shall be defined by the Federal Bureau of Transportation, as will the determination of what material is best for what road.
- This bill would be overseen by the Federal Bureau of Transportation, and the funding will be allocated from the discretionary budget of the Department of War.
- SECTION 4. If by the time all the funding has been spent all designated roads have not been repaired, maintained, or replaced, an additional 100 billion dollars will be allocated, and this process will continue until all designated roads have been repaired, maintained, or replaced. This legislation will take effect at the beginning of the Fiscal year 2027. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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