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# A Bill to Community River and Stream Clean-up

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1   **SECTION 1.**   The Environmental Protection Agency shall establish a competitive grant  
2                   program to fund community-led projects that remove trash, invasive  
3                   species, abandoned fishing gear, and other debris from rivers, streams, and  
4                   associated shorelines across the United States.
- 5   **SECTION 2.**   “Community-led cleanup project” shall mean a cleanup initiative organized  
6                   and primarily executed by local nonprofit organizations, tribes, watershed  
7                   groups, schools, or community volunteers, with oversight by a qualified  
8                   lead entity.
- 9                   “Eligible waterway” shall mean any river, stream, lake, or coastal waterway  
10                  designated as impaired under section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act (33  
11                  U.S.C. § 1313(d)) or identified as high-priority for recreation, fish habitat, or  
12                  drinking-water source protection.
- 13 **SECTION 3.**   The Environmental Protection Agency shall administer and enforce this  
14                  grant program nationwide.
- 15                  A.   Grants shall range from \$25,000 to \$250,000 per project, awarded  
16                  competitively based on environmental impact, community  
17                  involvement, measurable cleanup volume, and long-term maintenance  
18                  plans.
- 19                  B.   Funds may be used for equipment (nets, boats, safety gear), disposal  
20                  fees, volunteer coordination, public education, and post-cleanup  
21                  monitoring.
- 22                  C.   Funding shall come from the Environmental Protection Agency’s  
23                  existing Clean Water State Revolving Fund and nonpoint source  
24                  management program appropriations; thereby appropriated an  
25                  additional \$100,000,000 for fiscal year 2027 and each fiscal year  
26                  thereafter specifically for this community cleanup grant program.
- 27                  D.   Recipients shall submit annual reports documenting tons of debris  
28                  removed, volunteer hours, water-quality improvements (if measured),  
29                  and photos/maps of before-and-after conditions; the EPA shall publish  
30                  a public dashboard aggregating national results.
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E. The EPA may withhold future funding or require repayment of unspent funds if a grantee fails to meet reporting requirements or diverts funds from approved cleanup activities.

**SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on FY 2028. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

# A Bill to Update the Colorado River Compact

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1           **SECTION 1.**    Water allocations of the Colorado River will be redrawn to  
2           address recent annual flow levels of 12.5 maf, as opposed to the previously  
3           used level of 17.9 maf. 10.5 maf will be divided in half between upper  
4           basin states (Colorado, New Mexico, Wyoming, and Utah) and lower basin  
5           states (Arizona, California, Nevada). 1 maf will be allotted for division  
6           between all regional indigenous tribes and reservations, with the  
7           remaining water allotted to Mexico.

8           **SECTION 2.**    maf: Million acre feet. Colorado Compact: an Agreement  
9           between seven states on the distribution of water from the Colorado River

10          **SECTION 3.**    A. The US Bureau of Reclamation will coordinate water  
11          distribution and release to the various stakeholders, including the states,  
12          the tribes, and Mexico.

13          B. All stakeholders will meet annually to review Colorado River flow rate  
14          and water acreage numbers in order to confirm distribution availability  
15          adjustments.

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

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Rocky Mountain High School.*

# A Bill to Establish a Western Hemisphere Energy Partnership

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1   **SECTION 1.**   The United States shall establish a Western Hemisphere Energy Security  
2                    Framework (WHESF) to integrate Venezuelan oil production into a  
3                    coordinated hemispheric energy system, strengthen regional energy  
4                    independence, and modernize Venezuela’s petroleum infrastructure during  
5                    the ongoing U.S. transitional administration. The WHESF shall pursue the  
6                    following objectives:
- 7                    A. Secure long-term, stable oil supply agreements between the United  
8                    States and the transitional Venezuelan government.
- 9                    B. Modernize and rehabilitate Venezuelan oil extraction, refining, and  
10                    pipeline infrastructure.
- 11                   C. Reduce hemispheric dependence on extra-regional energy suppliers,  
12                   including Russia, Iran, and the People’s Republic of China.
- 13                   D. Promote transparent, accountable management of Venezuelan oil  
14                   revenues to support democratic institution-building and humanitarian  
15                   recovery.
- 16   **SECTION 2.**   A Western Hemisphere Energy Security Framework is defined as a  
17                    proposed U.S. foreign policy approach to ensure the reliable, affordable,  
18                    and sustainable availability of energy sources throughout the Americas.  
19                    The Hemispheric Energy System is defined as a concept used in climate  
20                    science to describe how energy is distributed and balanced within the  
21                    Earth's Northern and Southern Hemispheres.
- 22   **SECTION 3.**   The Department of Energy, in coordination with the Department of State,  
23                    shall oversee implementation and compliance. The Government  
24                    Accountability Office (GAO) shall conduct annual reviews and report  
25                    findings to Congress.
- 26                    E. To achieve these objectives as listed in Section 1, the WHESF shall  
27                    implement the following mechanisms:
- 28                    a. The Department of Energy (DOE) is authorized to negotiate  
29                    10–20 year oil supply contracts with the transitional Venezuelan  
30                    government at fair-market rates.
- b. The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) and  
                    DOE (Department of Energy) shall deploy technical teams to:

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- i. Restore environmental and safety standards within the Venezuelan oil sector.
  - ii. The Department of State shall coordinate with the Organization of American States (OAS) to create a Hemispheric Energy Coordination Council, including the U.S., Venezuela, Colombia, Brazil, Mexico, and Caribbean energy-importing states.
  - iii. Demonstrate progress toward democratic governance benchmarks.
- F. Funding for this program shall be drawn from:
- A. Existing Department of Energy international energy cooperation funds, which totaled to \$50 billion worldwide for FY 2025, and will be allocated no less than \$150 million.
  - B. Reallocated State Department foreign assistance accounts designated for Western Hemisphere stabilization, no less than \$103 million, which is Venezuela’s current amount of allocated funds as of FY 2025.
  - C. Revenues generated from U.S.–Venezuela oil contracts established under this Act.

47 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on September 30, 2026. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Holy Family High School.*

# A Bill to Establish A Polluter Pays National Climate Superfund Act

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2. **SECTION 1.** The purpose of the act is to require fossil fuel polluters to pay their fair share of
3. damages caused by covered fossil fuel emissions, thereby reducing the costs
4. otherwise borne by current and future United States taxpayers.
5. **SECTION 2.** The following definitions apply:
6. **A.** "Responsible party" means any fossil fuel extraction or refining corporation that
7. has contributed over 1 billion metric tons of global greenhouse gas emissions
8. between January 1990 – December 2024.
9. **B.** "Total damage amount" means the costs determined by EPA, resulting from
10. covered fossil fuel emissions
11. **C.** "Covered Emissions" means emissions attributable to the extraction, production,
12. refining, or sale of fossil fuels.
13. **D.** "Fund" means the National Climate Superfund created by this act.
14. **SECTION 3.** The responsible agency, the Environmental Protection Agency, shall oversee
15. the creation of the Polluter Pays National Climate Superfund (PPNCS). Within
16. 1 year of enactment, a statewide climate cost study will be conducted to
17. evaluate the economic, environmental, and public health impacts of
18. fossil-fuel emissions for the period 1990–2024. The responsible agency must
19. calculate total damages, identify unquantified harms, and update the study
20. every five years.
21. **A.** The EPA shall determine each responsible party's proportionate share of state
22. emissions and assess a cost-recovery payment equal to that percentage of the
23. total damages.
24. **B.** Funds collected in the PPNCS will support public health and environmental
25. projects, as deemed necessary to address the problems caused. At least 40% of
26. the funds will directly benefit disadvantaged communities.
27. **C.** Expenditures must align with the Climate Cost Study areas, including, but not
28. limited to, wildfire mitigation and recovery, ecosystem restoration, clean energy,
29. efficiency projects, and climate-resilient infrastructure.
30. **SECTION 4.** EPA and the US Department of Justice may enforce compliance and assess
31. late payment fees not exceeding 10% per annum. The Secretary of
32. Commerce may suspend the business license of entities that willfully refuse to
33. comply.
34. **SECTION 5.** This legislation will take effect in January 2028. All laws in conflict with this
35. legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Elisa Williams from Loveland High School*

# A Bill to Implement AVIS to Reduce Speeding in Areas Children Frequent

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** States will implement AVIS in all school zones and zones classified as high  
2 risk.

3 **SECTION 2.** AVIS: Automated Vehicle Identification Systems  
4 High Risk Zones: Zones to be evaluated by the Department of  
5 Transportation, must show that speeding poses a high risk to pedestrians  
6 or children (parks, work zones, main streets, etc.)

7 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Transportation will oversee the implementation of this  
8 bill.

9 A. The Department of Transportation will be allocated an initial 5 billion.

10 B. The budget will be reevaluated in June, 2030. If the program has shown  
11 positive outcomes, the budget will be increased by an additional 100  
12 million. Evaluations will be performed every four years for budget  
13 adjustment.

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

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# Supers in the House

## Session 2 in the Senate

# A Bill to Establish a Universal Basic Income in the United States

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** All adult citizens of the United States shall receive \$1,500 every month  
2 regardless of current income or welfare status.
- 3 **SECTION 2.** The Department of Health and Human Services will oversee the  
4 implementation of this bill.
- 5 A. Funding of this bill will be sourced through a proportional increase in  
6 income taxes on U.S. citizens making more than \$1 million annually.
- 7 B. The money will be given out via checks sent to each person's residences  
8 on the first day of each month. These checks will not be taxed as  
9 income.
- 10 **SECTION 3.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2027. All laws in conflict with  
11 this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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## **A Bill to Authorize the Use of Military Force Against Iran**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1.** The United States shall authorize the use of military force against Iran in order to protect U.S. national security interests and condemn the Iranian government's use of force against civilians.

### **SECTION 2.**

A. The phrase "use of military force" shall hereafter refer to actions taken by the United States Armed Forces, including but not limited to: air, naval, cyber, and ground operations, as is deemed necessary by the President and related council to achieve the aforementioned goals.

### **SECTION 3.**

A. The President is authorized and has sole discretion to use military force against Iranian military assets, command and organizational structures, and Iranian allies that pose a direct threat to the United States or international stability.

B. The United States shall coordinate military efforts with regional and international allies to maintain collective security and minimize civilian harm.

D. Congress shall be regularly updated regarding the scope, progress, and objectives of military actions authorized under this legislation.

### **SECTION 4.**

A. The Department of War shall oversee all military operations authorized by this legislation.

B. Congress shall review the authorization every year to determine whether it should be renewed, amended, or repealed.

**SECTION 5.** This legislation will take effect immediately upon passage.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Fossil Ridge High School.*

# A Bill to Establish the Right to Offline Learning

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** The purpose of this bill is to give public school students an option to learn  
2 without the use of technology.
- 3 **SECTION 2.** All public elementary, middle, and high schools receiving federal funding  
4 from the federal government shall be required to provide physical,  
5 non-digital textbooks for every core subject to all enrolled students.
- 6 ● “Physical, non-digital textbooks” shall be defined as bound, printed  
7 educational volumes that do not require an electronic device, internet  
8 connection, or power source to access the primary curriculum.
  - 9 ● “Core subjects” shall be defined as Mathematics, Science, English, and  
10 Social Studies.
  - 11 ● “Provide” shall mean that a student is assigned a personal copy for the  
12 duration of the school year or has access to a dedicated classroom set  
13 of one book per student.
  - 14 ● “Low-income districts” shall be defined as schools with at least 30% of  
15 families with low-income enrollment.
- 16 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Education (ED) shall oversee the  
17 implementation of this legislation.
- 18 ● Any school found to be in non-compliance after the start of the  
19 2027-2028 school year shall face a 2.5% reduction in federal funding.
  - 20 ● The ED shall establish a “Textbook Grant Fund” of \$500 million to assist  
21 low-income districts with the initial purchasing of physical book stocks.
- 22 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on July 1, 2026. All laws in conflict with this  
legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Holy Family High School.*

# A Bill to Ban Corporate-Funded Political Action Committees (PACS)

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2. **SECTION 1.** To strengthen the United States' governmental institutions and
3. reduce corporate spending in campaign elections, the
4. United States Congress shall:
  5. **A.** Ban the creation, operation, and funding of corporate-funded
  6. Political Action Committees (PACs) in federal elections.
  7. **B.** No corporation, for-profit business entity, or trade association shall
  8. directly or indirectly establish, finance, or contribute funds to a
  9. Political Action Committee for the purpose of influencing federal
  10. elections.
11. **SECTION 2.** The following definitions apply:
  12. **A.** A Political Action Committee (PAC) shall be defined as an
  13. organization that receives campaign contributions from its
  14. members to provide campaign funding for or against candidates,
  15. ballot initiatives, or legislation.
  16. **B.** A corporation shall be defined as any for-profit business entity or
  17. trade association recognized under federal law, excluding labor
  18. unions and individual persons.
  19. **C.** Corporate-funded PAC refers to any PAC that receives financial
  20. contributions, in-kind support, or operational funding from
  21. corporations or trade associations.
22. **SECTION 3.** The Federal Election Commission (FEC) and the Internal
23. Revenue Service (IRS) shall be responsible for the
24. enforcement and implementation of this legislation.
  25. **A.** The FEC shall be responsible for investigating violations and, on a
  26. case-by-case basis, imposing civil penalties, among other measures,
  27. to ensure compliance with the ban.
  28. **B.** The IRS shall be responsible for revoking the tax-exempt status and
  29. deregistering all PACs.
30. **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on August 1, 2026
31. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
32. and void.