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# A Bill to Prevent Gentrification from Displacing Residents

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1:** Cities shall implement policies to prevent gentrification from displacing residents and contributing to the homelessness crisis.

**Section 2.** The following measures shall be implemented:

**A.** Rent control policies which prohibit sudden rent increases, defined as one year or less notice, and to include other additional fees and charges associated with the housing, including add-on fees for services like parking, maintenance, and facilities.

**B.** Strong eviction protections, such as eviction laws to include proof of just cause for eviction or documented pattern of non-payment, emergency rental assistance programs, and tenant legal services, especially during periods of neighborhood renovation.

**C.** Inclusionary zoning in poor neighborhoods, requiring 20% of units be affordable at 80% of the Area Median Income (AMI) for all new areas of development

**Section 3.** The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) shall oversee the implementation of this bill and provide funding and guidance to cities, including expedited permitting, fee waivers, or density bonuses, to offset the cost of providing affordable units. Any states or municipalities not in compliance will lose their federal funding.

**SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect January 1, 2028

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Amarillo High School*

# A Bill to Launch Thorium Factories Through Profit-Sharing Partnerships

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Congress hereby authorizes the creation of the Thorium Facilities  
3 Partnership Program (TFPP) to facilitate the construction of thorium fuel  
4 processing and manufacturing facilities.

5 **SECTION 2.** Thorium fuel processing and manufacturing facilities shall be defined as  
6 manufacturing plants that refine thorium, produced thorium-based fuel,  
7 including fuel salts or pellets, or fabricate nuclear fuel components for  
8 facilities that employ the use of thorium to produce electricity.

9 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Energy shall oversee the implementation of this bill.

10 A. Within one calendar year of the passage of this bill, the Secretary of  
11 Energy shall publish the eligibility requirements to join the TFPP.

12 B. Entities may apply for TFPP membership 180 days after the  
13 publication of eligibility requirements with initial membership awards  
14 being announced no later than 12 months following the 180 day  
15 mark.

16 C. Entities approved for participation in the TFPP shall be eligible for up  
17 to 50% federal funding for construction of new thorium fuel  
18 processing and manufacturing facilities.

19 D. Entities receiving federal funding as outlined in Section 3(B) shall  
20 return to the Department of Energy not less than five percent of  
21 annual net operating income for twenty years and shall make  
22 available to the Department of Energy up to ten percent non-voting  
23 equity or revenue-based royalties of equivalent value.

24 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall go into effect immediately upon passage. All laws in conflict  
25 with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Tascosa High School*

# A Bill to Eliminate Federal Insurance Contributions for Low-Income Workers to Increase Workforce Participation

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Federal Insurance Contributions for Social Security and Medicare shall be  
3 eliminated for all workers earning under \$40,00 annually. All lost revenue  
4 shall be replaced through direct federal appropriations deposited into the  
5 Social Security Trust Fund and the Medicare Hospital Insurance Trust  
6 Fund via the Treasury General Fund Allocation Line.

7 **SECTION 2.** “Federal Insurance Contributions” include programs included in the  
8 Federal Insurance Contributions Act (FICA), including Social Security  
9 (OASDI) and Medicare (HI) taxation.

10 **SECTION 3.** The Department of the Treasury and Internal Revenue Service (IRS) shall  
11 enforce this legislation.

12 A. The IRS shall revise tax withholding tables to exempt eligible workers  
13 from FICA contributions.

14 B. The Department of the Treasury shall issue mandatory annual  
15 allocations to both trust funds equal to their prior year revenue losses  
16 adjusted for wage growth and inflation.

17 C. The IRS shall conduct compliance audits of employers to ensure  
18 withholding accuracy.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Pampa High School*

# A Bill to Ban the Use of PFAs in the United States

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1.** The manufacture, import, and sale of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAs) shall be banned within the United States.

**SECTION 2.** A. "PFAs" shall be defined as any synthetic group of chemicals containing carbon-fluorine bonds that are resistant to degradation, including but not limited to PFOA, PFOS, GenX, and related compounds.

B. Exemptions may be granted for cases which no viable alternatives exist, and the chemical is deemed essential for national security, aerospace, or medical devices.

**SECTION 3.** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) shall oversee enforcement of this legislation.

A. The EPA shall establish a list of banned compounds and update it annually.

B. Companies will file for exemptions through the EPA and use will be halted until approved.

C. Violation of this law shall result in fines up to \$500,000 per offense and potential suspensions of business licenses.

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

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Canyon Highschool.*

## A Resolution to Make Government Agencies to Be Independent From the Executive

- 1   **WHEREAS,**   The founding fathers intended that the executive branch of the United  
2                   States government be weak--in order to prevent any one person from  
3                   having power over the rights of the people; and
- 4   **WHEREAS,**   According to the Harvard Law Review, the Presidency has gained a large  
5                   amount of power over the last 100 years; and
- 6   **WHEREAS,**   According to Campaign Legal Center, the recent increase in abuses of  
7                   power from the Office of the President lead to a degradation of democracy  
8                   and an abuse of civil rights; and
- 9   **WHEREAS,**   Presidents gain the majority power from their control over executive  
10                  government agencies through executive orders; and
- 11   **WHEREAS,**   Many executive government agencies have mandates that are outside the  
12                  scope of the executive branch's jurisdiction; and many of those same  
13                  executive agencies have mandates which intrude into the jurisdiction of the  
14                  legislative branch; and
- 15   **WHEREAS,**   Many government agencies are already functionally independent from the  
16                  Executive branch; now, therefore, be it
- 17   **RESOLVED,**   That the Congress here assembled should reduce executive power to help  
18                  reduce abuses of power; and, be it
- 19   **FURTHER RESOLVED,** That some currently executive governmental agencies are made  
20                  independent from the executive branch to further this reduction of power.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by West Texas High School.*

# A Bill to Require RFID-Blocking Technology in All Wallets Sold, Manufactured, or Distributed in the United States to Protect Consumers from Electronic Theft

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1   **SECTION 1.**   All wallets and similar personal accessories designed to store credit cards,  
2                   debit cards, identification cards, or passports that are sold, manufactured,  
3                   or distributed in the United States shall be required to include  
4                   RFID-blocking technology. This requirement shall apply after an 18-month  
5                   compliance period following enactment. Handmade or custom wallets  
6                   produced in small quantities, as well as children’s novelty wallets or  
7                   non-card-carrying accessories, shall be exempt from this requirement.
- 8   **SECTION 2.**   For the purposes of this legislation, “RFID-blocking technology” is defined  
9                   as material or design features that prevent unauthorized wireless  
10                  transmission or interception of data transmitted via radio-frequency  
11                  identification systems.
- 12 **SECTION 3.**   The Federal Trade Commission and the United States Department of  
13                  Commerce shall jointly oversee enforcement of this legislation.
- 14                  A. Manufacturers and retailers shall be subject to civil penalties for failure  
15                  to comply with the requirements of this Act, with fines scaled based on  
16                  the severity and frequency of violations.
- 17                  B. All compliant products shall meet labeling and certification standards  
18                  established by the enforcing agencies to inform consumers of  
19                  RFID-blocking capabilities at the point of sale.
- 20                  C. The enforcing agencies are authorized to order recalls of products only  
21                  in cases of repeated or willful noncompliance.
- 22 **SECTION 4.**   This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2028. All laws in conflict with  
23                  this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Amarillo High School.*

# A Bill to Provide Tuition-Free Public College to Expand Educational Access

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1.** All tuition and mandatory fees at accredited public colleges and universities in the United States shall be eliminated for undergraduate students, with full federal replacement funding allocated through the Department of Education's High Education Appropriations Account.

**SECTION 2.** "Public colleges and universities" shall refer to institutions operated by state government and eligible for federal Title IV funding. "Tuition and Mandatory Fees" shall refer to all required instructional, enrollment, and course related charges billed to students. "Federal replacement funding" shall be defined as annual appropriations sufficient to cover each institution's prior year tuition revenue, adjusted for enrollment and inflation.

**SECTION 3.** The Department of Education (DOE) shall oversee and enforce this legislation.

A. DOE shall disburse funds through the Higher Education Appropriations Account, created for this purpose.

B. Public institutions must provide annual audited financial reports to verify compliance.

C. DOE may reduce or withhold funding from institutions imposing new tuition equivalent charges.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Pampa High School.*



# A Bill to Establish a Federally Administered Tax Completion Software to Allow Taxpayers to File Federal Income Taxes at No Cost Through a Government-Operated Platform

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1   **SECTION 1.**   The federal government shall establish a federally administered tax  
2                   completion software that allows all individual taxpayers, excluding  
3                   corporations, to voluntarily prepare and file federal income tax returns at  
4                   no cost. This software shall be capable of processing all individual federal  
5                   income tax returns, regardless of complexity.
- 6   **SECTION 2.**   For the purposes of this legislation, “tax completion software” is defined as  
7                   a digital platform that assists users in preparing and submitting federal  
8                   income tax returns.
- 9   **SECTION 3.**   The Internal Revenue Service and the United States Department of the  
10                  Treasury shall jointly oversee the implementation and enforcement of this  
11                  legislation. The Internal Revenue Service shall be responsible for the  
12                  development, maintenance, and operation of the tax completion software
- 13                  A. The software shall include safeguards to protect taxpayer data and  
14                    ensure the privacy of all personal and financial information submitted  
15                    through the platform.
- 16                  B. The software shall meet accessibility standards to ensure equitable use  
17                    by individuals with disabilities and individuals with limited English  
18                    proficiency.
- 19                  C. Funding for the development, implementation, and maintenance of the  
20                    federally administered tax completion software shall be allocated  
21                    through the existing budget of the United States Department of the  
22                    Treasury.
- 23                  D. The Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to reallocate funds  
24                    previously designated for taxpayer assistance programs and  
25                    administrative modernization within the Internal Revenue Service to  
26                    carry out the provisions of this legislation.
- 27   **SECTION 4.**   This legislation will take effect FY 2027. All laws in conflict with this  
28                    legislation are hereby declared null and void.

# CRISPR Advanced Research Initiative Act

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1.** Congress finds that advanced research to treat genetic diseases, and access to therapeutic gene editing is essential to securing the general welfare of the citizenry and thus authorizes the creation of the CRISPR Advanced Research Initiative (CARI) for the purposes of funding research into CRISPR technology for the purposes of treating, preventing, and correcting genetic diseases, and providing accessible reproductive genetic options to qualifying families.

**SECTION 2.** For the purposes of this legislation:

- A. "Therapeutic Gene Editing" shall mean gene modification intended to treat or prevent hereditary diseases, including but not limited to: cystic fibrosis, sickle-cell disease, muscular dystrophy, and other clinically recognized genetic disorders.
- B. "Gene Editing" shall refer to targeted modifications of DNA using CRISPR-Cas systems for therapeutic or reproductive medical purposes.
- C. "Reproductive Genetic Services" shall mean legally regulated access to gene editing to reduce the risk of severe genetic illness in offspring.

**SECTION 3.** The National Institutes of Health (NIH) shall oversee the implementation of CARI, including all research, implementation, and regulatory standards regarding CRISPR gene-editing technologies.

- A. NIH shall establish a CRISPR Ethics and Safety Review Board composed of geneticists, bioethicists, medical professionals, and public representatives to evaluate all approved procedures.
- B. All participating research facilities must undergo annual federal certification to maintain safety and transparency standards.
- C. Funding for CARI shall be \$2.5 billion annually.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Tascosa High School*

# A Bill to Increase Protections Over Land in Alaska for Arctic Restoration (P.O.L.A.A.R.)

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1           **SECTION 1.**   The U.S. Federal Government shall allocate \$750 million to  
2           reinstate environmental protection regulations, work to phase out existing  
3           oil and gas drilling within the 23 million acres of land in Alaska, and  
4           continue the push towards a clean Arctic in the Alaskan region.

5           **SECTION 2.**   “Leased land” shall be defined as the 23 million acres of the  
6           National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska (NPR-A) that has been set aside  
7           specifically in the state for drilling. “Environmental protections” shall be  
8           defined as wildlife rehabilitation, cleanup of the region, and mitigation of  
9           excess greenhouse gas emissions in the Arctic. “Phase out” shall be defined  
10          as a process to reduce and lessen oil retraction until its inevitable end.

11          **SECTION 3.**   The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will oversee the  
12          implications by subsidizing wildlife protection and stopping federal drilling  
13          of oil by allocating \$750 million

- 14          A. The EPA should ensure that there is active cleanup on former leased  
15          land and that there are steps being taken for wildlife rehabilitation.
- 16          B. Upon passage, current contracts and leases that give permission to drill  
17          in those lands shall not be renewed. Once they expire, the drilling  
18          should stop immediately and clean up should begin.
- 19          C. Companies will be financially in charge of restoration beyond the  
20          money allocated by the United States government for the land they  
21          leased.
- 22          D. In 10 years, drilling activity should decrease by 50%, and ultimately be  
23          completely phased out in 20 years.

24          **SECTION 4.**   This legislation will take effect by January 2027. All laws in  
25          conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

# A Bill to Ban Patents for Life-Saving Medicine

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1.** This congress will ban the use of patents for life-saving medicines. All existing patents will cease upon passage of this legislation.

**SECTION 2.** For the purpose of the legislation, “life-saving medicine” is defined as:

- A. Any medication deemed essential for mediating health in patients with life-threatening conditions.
- B. Medication required for the treatment of ultra-rare diseases where lack of access would result in premature death
- C. Emergency medicines used to prevent death or severe harm.

**SECTION 3.** The enforcement of this legislation shall be overseen by:

- A. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA), will be responsible for certifying and categorizing “life-saving” medications
- B. The Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA), shall ensure compliance by pharmaceutical companies, distributors, and pharmacies, and investigate violations.
- C. Penalties for noncompliance shall include fines up to \$10,000,000 and loss of authorization to distribute medicine within the United States.

**SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect January 1, 2027.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Canyon Highschool.*

# Deepfake Prevention and Regulation Act

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The creation, distribution, or possession with intent to distribute media created using deepfake technology shall be prohibited within the United States.

SECTION 2. For the purposes of this legislation, “deepfake technology” shall be defined as any artificial intelligence-based software or tool that creates synthetic media—audio, video, or images—that falsely depicts individuals saying or doing things they did not actually say or do.

SECTION 3. Exceptions shall be made for:

- A. Satirical works clearly labeled as parody, which do not mislead the public or cause harm to individuals’ reputations.
- B. Academic research conducted by accredited institutions, provided such research does not result in public dissemination of deepfake content.
- C. Law enforcement and national security agencies using deepfake technology for investigative purposes, subject to oversight.

SECTION 4. The Department of Justice shall be tasked with enforcing this legislation and developing guidelines for identifying and prosecuting violations.

A. Any individual or entity found in violation of this act shall be subject to:

- i. Fines up to \$50,000 per offense.
- ii. Imprisonment for up to five years for repeated or egregious violations.
- iii. Civil liability for damages caused to individuals depicted in deepfake media.

B. Funding for enforcement shall be \$500 million annually.

SECTION 5. This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2027. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Tascosa High School*