

## **Finals Legislation, BCFL 2026**

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# A Bill to Expand Youth Access to Mental Health Services

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Federal Government shall require all public schools  
3 serving grades K-12 to provide adequate mental health coverage. Such a  
4 mandate shall apply to any non-public school which receives public funds  
5 for any service.

6 **SECTION 2.** For the purposes of this legislation, adequate is defined as following:

7 a) Minimum, one social worker per two hundred and fifty students

8 b) one social worker for every fifty students defined as "high needs."

9 c) One school counselor for every two hundred and fifty students

10 d) One school psychologist for every five hundred students

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12 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Education and state departments of Education shall  
13 jointly oversee enforcement of this bill.

14 A. States are authorized to continue to set standards for school mental  
15 health care providers.

16 B. Funding shall come from an excise tax of ten percent of revenue levied  
17 upon all user-paid services for social media companies within the  
18 United States.

19 C. In the case of social media company services targeted at customers  
20 eighteen and younger, the excise tax shall be twenty-five percent. The  
21 Department of Treasury and Education shall jointly set up mechanisms to  
22 determine such cases.

23 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2032. All laws in conflict with  
24 this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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# A Bill to Ban All For-Profit Prisons, Detention Centers and Service Processing Centers

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Federal Government shall ban all for-profit prisons,  
3 detention centers, or Processing Centers , of any kind.

4 **SECTION 2.** For the purposes of this legislation all persons involuntarily held in any  
5 facility may only by held in one managed by a Federal, state, regional, or  
6 local government agency,.

7 **SECTION 3.** The Departments of Justice, Homeland Security, Defense, and other  
8 government agencies which may run detention facilities shall oversee  
9 enforcement of this legislation

10 A. States and other regional government bodies are banned from using for-profit  
11 detention centers, including subcontracted employment, for any purpose.

12 B. No employment or subcontracting of any services, including but not limited to  
13 employment for any facility falling under the jurisdiction of this legislation shall  
14 be permitted.

15 C. All contracts currently in place shall be non-renewed at the first date allowable  
16 under the current such contract.

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

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