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**A Bill to Phase Out Federal Fossil Fuel Subsidies and Promote Renewable Energy**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Article I:**

The United States shall gradually eliminate federal subsidies for fossil fuel industries in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and encourage the transition to clean, renewable energy sources.

**Article II:**

For the purposes of this legislation:

- a. Fossil fuel subsidies are defined as tax breaks, direct payments, and financial incentives provided to coal, oil, and natural gas companies.
- b. Renewable energy refers to energy derived from sources such as solar, wind, hydroelectric, and geothermal power.

**Article III:**

This legislation shall take effect at the beginning of the next fiscal year following passage, with subsidies reduced incrementally over a five-year period.

**Article IV:**

The Department of Energy and the Department of the Treasury shall oversee implementation of this policy.

Funds saved from eliminated subsidies shall be redirected toward renewable energy research, infrastructure development, and job transition programs for displaced workers.

**Article V:**

All laws or policies in conflict with this legislation shall be hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

McDowell High School

Legislation for Meadville  
Feb 19, 2026  
Legislation #1 is a carry over and must be debated first.

## A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION

Whereas: The current minimum voting age for all elections in the United States is eighteen years old, preventing sixteen- and seventeen-year-old citizens from participating in local elections; and

Whereas: Local elections for municipal, county, and school board offices directly impact policies such as education and community governance that affect sixteen- and seventeen-year-olds, yet they are denied a voice in selecting these officials; and

Whereas: Lowering the voting age to sixteen for local elections would allow qualified young citizens who meet residency and citizenship requirements to participate in decisions that directly impact their communities while maintaining the current voting age for state and federal elections.

Therefore, be it resolved by two-thirds of this NCFL Student 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:

**SECTION 1:** The right of citizens of the United States who are sixteen years of age or older to vote in municipal, county, and school board elections shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of age. This article shall not apply to state or federal elections. Individuals aged sixteen and seventeen who meet existing residency and citizenship requirements shall be permitted to register and vote in such local elections.

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

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Meadville Area Senior High School*

A Bill to Prohibit the Use of For-Profit Immigration Detention Facilities  
BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

ARTICLE 1: The United States shall prohibit private, for-profit corporations from owning, operating, or managing immigration detention facilities within the United States.

ARTICLE 2:

- a. Immigration detention facility refers to any facility used to detain individuals for civil immigration proceedings.
- b. For-profit corporation refers to any private entity operating detention facilities for financial gain under government contract.

ARTICLE 3: All individuals currently detained in for-profit immigration detention facilities shall be transferred to federally operated or non-profit facilities that comply with federal detention standards.

ARTICLE 4: The Department of Homeland Security shall:

- a. Terminate contracts with for-profit immigration detention providers within eighteen months of passage, and
- b. Ensure oversight and compliance with humane detention standards in all remaining facilities.

ARTICLE 5: This act shall take effect eighteen months after passage to allow for an orderly transition of detainees and facilities.

ARTICLE 6: All laws in conflict with this act are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Lakeview Highschool

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A Resolution to Federalize & Strengthen Anti-Hazing Laws

1. Whereas, a number of students have died in hazing related incidents in recent years.
2. Whereas, most universities receive funding from the federal government.
3. Whereas, these incidents are sometimes hidden by universities because of the fear of lawsuits.
4. Whereas, hazing is not even illegal in all 50 states, and some state laws are difficult to enforce.
5. Be it resolved, universities be required to report fully to the Federal Govt. on these incidents.
6. Be it further resolved, universities face more severe civil penalties and the individuals involved
7. face more severe criminal punishment.

Respectfully submitted

McDowell High School