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16. A Bill to Grant Puerto Rico Statehood

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** Puerto Rico shall be admitted into the United States as a state and be
2 granted all rights, privileges, and responsibilities equal to the other states.
- 3 **SECTION 2.** The State of Puerto Rico shall consist of all islands and territorial waters
4 currently under the jurisdiction of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.
- 5 **SECTION 3.** Upon statehood, Puerto Rico shall receive federal representation as
6 follows:
7 A. Two seats in the United States Senate.
8 B. Representatives in the United States House, determined by the
9 latest census data.
10 C. Electors based on their congressional representation.
- 11 **SECTION 4.** Upon statehood, Puerto Rico shall receive federal representation as
12 follows:
13 A. All Puerto Rican citizens shall be subject to federal income tax laws
14 and federal funding will be allocated for economic adjustments.
15 B. United States federal laws will take full effect in Puerto Rico,
16 overriding any conflicting local laws.
17 C. Congress shall approve the state constitution proposed by the
18 Legislative Assembly of Puerto Rico.
- 19 **SECTION 5.** This legislation shall go into effect immediately.
- 20 **SECTION 6.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced by Marian High School.

14. A Bill to Expand Over-The-Counter Contraceptive Access

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** The US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) shall reclassify all
2 self-administered contraceptives to be available over-the-counter (OTC)
3 without a prescription from a licensed health care professional.
4 A. Self-administered contraceptives are defined as any contraceptive
5 product whose safe and effective use does not reasonably require the
6 assistance of a licensed health care professional. This includes but is not
7 limited to pills and oral contraceptives (both regular and emergency),
8 patches, rings, condoms and barriers, etc.
- 9 **SECTION 2.** The FDA shall ensure industry-standard safety labels and usage guidance
10 for all relevant products.
- 11 **SECTION 3.** The US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) shall oversee enforcement of
12 this legislation.
- 13 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2027.
- 14 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Lincoln Southeast.

A Bill To Save Drivers' Eyes

1. **Section 1:** The Production and usage of LED headlights on vehicles is hereby banned, and
2. current users of LED headlights must find another alternative.
4. **Section 2:** LED is defined as a light-emitting diode (a semiconductor diode that glows when a
5. voltage is applied)
6. **A.** A vehicle is defined as an object with wheels intended to drive on highways,
7. roads, or any other paved or unpaved paths to get somewhere with tires, and
8. does not leave the ground.
9. **B.**Headlight is defined as an LED light that is mounted (Aftermarket or placed in
10. by the manufacturer) to the front of the Vehicle, facing the road ahead of the
11. driver.
13. **Section 3:** For the purpose of this legislation the Department of Transportation and the
14. Department of Motor Vehicles will oversee the implementation of this bill
16. **A.** Any person who is found with LED headlights will be fined \$500 and be issued
17. a fix-it ticket
19. **B.** Companies that still manufacture headlights will be forced to give up
20. 10% of their yearly profits, and this 10% of fines will be allocated to the
21. Federal Department of Transportation
23. **C.** The manufacturers of the headlights will be responsible for a recall and
24. replacement of the headlights
26. **D.** Led headlights are only permitted for emergency response vehicles,
27. government vehicles, civil or local contracted public works groups
29. **E.** Foreign car companies selling cars in the US, regardless if they are
30. manufactured in the US, must still apply to this legislation.
31. **Section 4:** This bill will go into effect on January 1st, 2028.
32. **Section 5:** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Elkhorn South

3. A Bill to Disincentivize Lobbying

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** The Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 shall be amended so that
2 all registered lobbyist expenses will be taxed 300%.

3 **SECTION 2.**

4 a. Lobbyist expenses will be defined as all expenditures
5 disclosed in a lobbyist quarterly report as required by the
6 Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995.

7 b. A lobbyist will be defined as a person or company
8 registered as a lobbyist with the US government as
9 required by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995.

10 **SECTION 3.** The IRS will oversee the enforcement of this bill.

11 a. Failure to comply will result in up to a 5 year prison
12 sentence, a permanent ban from lobbying, and up to a
13 \$1,000,000 fine.

14 b. All tax and fine revenue collected will go to US federal
15 government operations to encourage voter registration
16 and participation, i.e. the US Election Assistance
17 Commission (EAC).

18 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect January 2027.

19 **SECTION 5.** All laws that are in conflict with this policy shall hereby be
20 declared null and void.

Submitted by Norfolk High School

7. A Bill to Get Rid of The Zone of Death

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2. **SECTION 1.** Tribal courts will be able to try non-native people for crimes committed on
3. native land, and will be able to give out punishments equal to state courts.
4. **SECTION 2.**
5. A. "Tribal courts" shall be defined as the entire judicial branch of an
6. American Indian and Alaska Native tribe.
7. B. "Non-Native people" shall be defined as people who are not federally
8. recognised as American Indian or Alaska Native persons.
9. C. "Native land" shall be defined as trust land that is held by a native
10. person or Tribe, and fee land purchased by Tribes from the federal
11. government, where the tribes have the legal authority.
12. **SECTION 3.** The Bureau of Indian Affairs will be in charge of overseeing and enforcing
13. this bill, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation will help fund and supply
14. needed materials for investigations.
15. A. The FBI will give 10% of its unobligated annual balance to the Bureau of
16. Indian Affairs for the use of prosecuting, holding, punishing, and
17. investigating crimes committed on native lands.
18. **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect in fiscal year 2026.
19. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Millard South High School.

4. A Resolution to Require Comprehensive Sex Education

1. **WHEREAS,** Many schools across the United States rely heavily on abstinence-only or
2. “Just Say No” instruction instead of teaching personal health, protection,
3. resources, and healthy decision-making when it comes to sex education;
4. and
5. **WHEREAS,** Only 36 states and the District of Columbia require any form of sex
6. education resulting in inconsistent standards and limited information for
7. students; and
8. **WHEREAS,** Current programs often do not adequately address topics related to
9. personal boundaries, communication, respect in relationships, and how
10. to protect one’s self; and
11. **WHEREAS,** Sex education can include topics on sex and protection, but also about
12. building healthy relationships, making informed decisions, and
13. communication that can achieve positive long-term health, social, and
14. economic outcomes; and
15. **WHEREAS,** Young people increasingly form friendships and relationships online, yet
16. most school programs do not address important areas on digital safety,
17. online boundaries, or how to recognize unsafe or inappropriate online
18. interactions; therefore, be it
19. **RESOLVED,** By this Congress that comprehensive sex education be taught in schools;
20. and, be it
21. **FURTHER RESOLVED,** that this sex education should include other aspects like those
22. listed above.

Submitted by Hastings Senior High School

1. A Bill to Implement Tax Allocation Choices and Options (TACO)

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall implement an optional Tax Choice for all federal
2 income taxes.
- 3 **SECTION 2.** “Tax Choice” will be defined as an additional section on Tax Form W-4 in
4 which citizens can delegate the sections of the governmental discretionary
5 budget their income taxes will be allocated towards. This can be done with
6 or without stipulating the percentage of the federal tax the individual
7 wishes to contribute to each section. This information will then be used to
8 determine how the federal budget is divided for that following fiscal year.
- 9 **SECTION 3.** The Internal Revenue Service shall report the information to the Office of
10 Management and Budget who will work with the Department of Treasury
11 and congress to ensure proper allocation within the next year’s federal
12 budget.
- 13 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall go into effect in FY2028.
- 14 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this piece of legislation are hereby declared null
15 and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Lincoln East.

18. A Bill to Federally Mandate Police Training

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 SECTION 1. All new and currently serving police officers shall be required
2 to undergo a new training course.

3 SECTION 2.

4 A. Police shall be defined as the body of officers representing the civil
5 authority of any level of government, including but is not limited
6 to, federal, state, county, and municipal police.

7 B. The new training course will be created by the Department of
8 Justice and entail lessons of de-escalation, crisis intervention,
9 alternatives to lethal force, and mental health awareness.

10 SECTION 3. The Department of Justice shall create a 20 hour training
11 course and oversee enforcement of this bill.

12 A. They shall allocate 7 million dollars from the Department of
13 Justice each fiscal year to this project.

14 B. Officers who do not complete this training within one year of
15 becoming a sworn officer or of the passing of this law shall
16 have their badge revoked.

17 C. Officers must then serve a six-month, unpaid suspension before
18 being reinstated after completing the training.

19 SECTION 4. This bill shall go into effect on January 1st, 2028.

20 SECTION 5. All other laws that are in conflict with this new policy shall
21 hereby be declared null and void.

Submitted by Norfolk High School

9. A Bill to Lock-Up Private Prisons and Throw Away the Key

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** No department shall enter into or renew a contract with a private
2 detention facility. No person residing in the United States shall be
3 incarcerated, held, or detained in any way in a private detention facility.
- 4 **SECTION 2.** “Private detention facility” will be defined as a detention facility, located
5 within or outside of U.S jurisdiction, that is operated by a private,
6 nongovernmental, for-profit entity, and operating pursuant to a contract or
7 agreement with a governmental entity. This extends to detention facilities
8 for the purpose of holding or detaining undocumented persons.
- 9 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall also act as an incentive mechanism for states to
10 implement this bill in reference to all private state detention facilities.
11 Appropriate funding as decided by congress will be delegated to states
12 from the defense budget for the purpose of transitioning away from private
13 detention facilities. Should states decide not to implement this legislation
14 all federal highway funding will be revoked.
- 15 **SECTION 4.** The U.S Department of Justice in conjunction with all relevant federal and
16 state departments shall be responsible for the implementation of this
17 legislation.
- 18 **SECTION 5.** This bill will take effect immediately upon passage with an 8 month
19 adjustment period.
- 20 **SECTION 6.** All laws in conflict with this piece of legislation are hereby declared null
21 and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Lincoln East.

6. A Bill to End Qualified Immunity

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** Qualified immunity for all law enforcement officers and government
2 officials is hereby abolished.
- 3 A. Qualified immunity is defined as the judicial doctrine that shields
4 government employees from civil liability as long as their conduct does
5 not violate clearly established rights of which a reasonable person
6 would have known.
- 7 B. Law enforcement officers are defined as any federal, state, or local
8 employee with legal authority to enforce laws or detain individuals.
- 9 **SECTION 2.** Any individual whose rights have been violated may bring a civil lawsuit for
10 damages in federal court regardless of whether a similar case has been
11 decided previously.
- 12 A. Plaintiffs may seek compensatory damages and attorney fees.
- 13 B. Liability shall attach to both the defendant and their employing agency.
- 14 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice shall oversee enforcement of this legislation.
- 15 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2027.
- 16 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Lincoln Southeast.

11. A Bill to Establish Universal Free Meals at Schools

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** Public school breakfast and lunch will be free for all students in grades
2 Pre-K through 12 in the United States on any day school is in session.

3 **SECTION 2. A.** A public school shall be defined as any school that receives public
4 funds in the form of government-imposed taxes and that is free for
5 individuals to attend.

6 **B.** Breakfast and lunch shall be defined as a an age appropriately
7 sized meal consisting of balanced nutrients as recommended by the
8 American Academy of Pediatrics.

9 **SECTION 3. A.** The United States Department of Education (DoE) will ensure the
10 implementation of free universal meals within all public schools

11 **B.** The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) will be tasked
12 with monitoring public schools to ensure that they are supplying the
13 appropriately balanced nutrients to their students

14 **C.** The United States Department of Treasury will be tasked with ensuring
15 that any public school the DoE or the USDA finds to be in violation of this
16 legislation will lose all of their federal support until they have been in
17 compliance with the legislation for the period of 6 consecutive months.

18 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect at the beginning of the 2026-2027 school year.

19 **SECTION 5.** All laws that are in conflict with this policy shall hereby be declared null
20 and void.

Submitted by Norfolk High School

17. A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Actually Advise the President

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

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6 **SECTION 1:** Cabinet positions will be treated as executive positions, with need
7 for congressional appointment; the position of secretary will be
8 changed into 5 person committees, and cabinet vote will be
9 necessary for bill action.

10 **SECTION 2:** The process to appoint Cabinet positions will be the same process
11 as that of supreme court justices.

12 **SECTION 3:** Cabinet members will serve for 10 years. If the ten years elapses,
13 the cabinet member will immediately be put back into the
14 appointment process for reassessment by Congress.

15 **SECTION 4:** All future bills in this Congress will have between 1 and 5 assigned
16 departments to oversee its implementation into the nation, and,
17 to determine the bill's passage, these cabinet members will take a
18 vote within 10 days of the president receiving the bill. If there is a
19 tie between the cabinet members of the delegated departments,
20 the president will break the tie.

21 **SECTION 5:** Processes and policies in this amendment supersede any other
 language in the constitution inconsistent to it.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Elkhorn South.