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PART I • WILSON WYATT DEBATE LEAGUE

LEGISLATION NO. 1

A Resolution to Declare War on the Islamic Republic of Iran

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Wilson Wyatt Debate League

- 1 **WHEREAS,** The Islamic Republic of Iran has the technical capabilities of building a nuclear
2 weapon; and
- 3 **WHEREAS,** The Islamic Republic of Iran is one of the leading state sponsors of terrorism,
4 funding terror operations that have killed American citizens and allies of the
5 United States; and
- 6 **WHEREAS,** Between 2023 and 2024, Iran and its proxies conducted more than 180 terrorist
7 attacks against American forces in the Middle East, wounding more than 180
8 service members and killing three; and
- 9 **WHEREAS,** The Iranian regime is the single greatest foreign threat to the safety and security
10 of the United States of America; now, therefore, be it
- 11 **RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled declare war on the Islamic Republic of Iran.

LEGISLATION NO. 2

A Bill to Create an Interstate High Speed Rail System

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Wilson Wyatt Debate League

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** Congress will allot \$40 billion to the Department of Transportation for the
2 purpose of developing an Interstate High Speed Rail pilot program.
- 3 **SECTION 2.** The pilot program will connect no fewer than three cities with populations greater
4 than 150,000 with high speed rail. The three selected cities may be located in any
5 state(s) and stations must be constructed within the cities' boundaries.
- 6 **SECTION 3.** The Secretary of Transportation will create an ad hoc select committee, whose
7 members are appointed by the Secretary, consisting of five total members to
8 select the cities connected by the pilot program. At least two members of the
9 select committee must be members of the opposite political party of the
10 President of the United States.
- 11 **SECTION 4.** High speed rail is defined as a passenger rail system that travels between 125 and
12 155 miles per hour, containing no at-grade road crossings, and fueled by
13 electricity or a diesel-electric system rather than gas or coal.
- 14 **SECTION 5.** The Department of Transportation will be in charge of implementing this
15 legislation.
- 16 **SECTION 6.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2029. All laws in conflict with this
17 legislation are hereby declared null and void.

LEGISLATION NO. 3

The Data Center Control Act of 2026

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Wilson Wyatt Debate League

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** No data center with more than 50,000 square feet in total at-grade floor area will
2 be permitted for construction within a 25 mile radius of the town hall of any
3 municipality with a population greater than 49,999, or within 25 miles of the
4 boundary of a state or national park or forest.
- 5 **SECTION 2.** Data Centers must either purchase at least 40% of their total consumed energy
6 from wholesale power sellers or generate at least 40% of their total energy
7 on-site with renewable power generation facilities.
- 8 **SECTION 3.** Data centers are defined as facilities primarily used to house electronics for the
9 storage, processing, and transmitting of digital information. Renewable power
10 generation is defined as any facility that creates electric energy produced from
11 solar, wind, biomass, landfill gas, geothermal, municipal solid waste, marine
12 energy, or hydroelectric.
- 13 **SECTION 4.** The Department of Energy (DoE) will be in charge of implementing this legislation.
14 The DoE will conduct periodic reviews of data centers every 5 years to ensure
15 compliance.
- 16 **A.** Data centers found to be in violation of this legislation will pay a penalty of
17 \$50,000 for every month of noncompliance.
- 18 **B.** Data centers found to be in violation of this legislation for a period of more
19 than 3 consecutive years will be shut down and ineligible to resume
20 operations for no less than 10 years.
- 21 **SECTION 5.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2030. All laws in conflict with this
22 legislation are hereby declared null and void.

LEGISLATION NO. 4

A Bill to Open Federal Lands in Alaska for Mining

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Wilson Wyatt Debate League

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** No more than 5% of the total area of land owned by the federal government not
2 currently used for mining may be used for the purposes of mining. No land inside
3 or within 50 miles of the boundary of a UNESCO World Heritage Site will be
4 eligible for mining.
- 5 **SECTION 2.** Reclamation of any mining sites must be completed within 10 years of the
6 conclusion of mining activities and paid in full by the entity conducting mining
7 activities.
- 8 **SECTION 3.** Mining is defined as the process of extracting minerals or ores from the earth.
9 Reclamation is defined as the process of returning sites used for mining to their
10 natural state by planting native flora, removing hazardous chemicals from the soil
11 and water, and filling in any potentially dangerous caverns.
- 12 **SECTION 4.** The Department of the Interior and the Bureau of Land Management will be in
13 charge of implementing this legislation.
- 14 **A.** Any company found to be in violation of Section 2 of this legislation will pay a
15 fine of \$1,000,000 per year of noncompliance.
- 16 **SECTION 5.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2028. All laws in conflict with this
17 legislation are hereby declared null and void.

LEGISLATION NO. 5

A Bill to Ban Automatic License Plate Readers

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Wilson Wyatt Debate League

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** Automatic License Plate Readers (ALPRs) that use Artificial Intelligence (AI) are
2 hereby banned on any publicly owned land. All existing contracts between ALPR
3 providers and local or state government agencies and law enforcement agencies
4 are declared null and void.
- 5 **SECTION 2.** Automatic License Plate Readers (ALPRs) are defined as cameras used to identify
6 and track the movement of vehicles by reading license plates. Artificial
7 Intelligence is defined as a machine-based system that can, for a given set of
8 human-defined objectives, make predictions, recommendations or decisions
9 influencing real or virtual environments.
- 10 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice will be in charge of implementing this legislation.
- 11 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2027. All laws in conflict with this
12 legislation are hereby declared null and void.

PART II • NATIONAL SPEECH & DEBATE ASSOCIATION

LEGISLATION NO. 6

A Bill to Mandate Shop Class*National Speech & Debate Association • October 2026 Congressional Debate Docket***BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:**

- 1 **SECTION 1.** All departments of education throughout the United States and its territories
2 must ensure that shop class is offered to students at some point in grades 9
3 through 12.
- 4 **SECTION 2.** Shop class is defined as a hands-on course that teaches students a range of
5 practical skills related to construction, carpentry, engineering, and design, and
6 involving machines and materials such as wood and metal.
- 7 **SECTION 3.** Any state or territory that fails to achieve compliance with this legislation shall
8 lose 50% of its Title I funding until compliance is reached or restored.
- 9 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be overseen by the Department of Education.
- 10 **SECTION 5.** This legislation shall take effect on July 1, 2027.
- 11 **SECTION 6.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

LEGISLATION NO. 7

The Federal Bottle Bill

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** To incentivize recycling on a wider scale, all states and territories must implement
2 deposit and redemption systems for beverage cans and bottles, where a modest
3 deposit is paid upon purchase and returned when the empty can or bottle is
4 redeemed at a designated and authorized redemption center. States and
5 territories may choose to exclude cans and bottles that contain dairy products
6 and/or alcoholic beverages from their programs.
- 7 **SECTION 2.** Funds from uncollected deposits shall be recycled back into the state or territory's
8 program to cover necessary expenses.
- 9 **SECTION 3.** Any states or territories that fail to implement bottle redemption programs that
10 meet these minimum criteria shall lose eligibility for Solid Waste Management
11 Assistance Grants until such time as compliance is reached.
- 12 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be overseen by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).
- 13 **SECTION 5.** This legislation shall take effect on July 1, 2027.
- 14 **SECTION 6.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

LEGISLATION NO. 8

A Bill to Jettison International Law*National Speech & Debate Association • October 2026 Congressional Debate Docket***BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:**

- 1 **SECTION 1.** Congress hereby nullifies the impact of all previously adopted international
- 2 treaties on the business of the United States government both domestically and
- 3 abroad. Our nation shall henceforth conduct itself according to our own values
- 4 and the wisdom and experience of our leaders, and nothing more.
- 5 **SECTION 2.** This legislation shall be overseen by the Department of State.
- 6 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.
- 7 **SECTION 4.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

LEGISLATION NO. 9

A Bill to Bar Bite Mark Evidence*National Speech & Debate Association • October 2026 Congressional Debate Docket***BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:**

- 1 **SECTION 1.** The Federal Rules of Evidence shall be amended such that any evidence related to
2 or stemming from bite marks, namely the effort to connect a suspect to a victim
3 by comparing the suspect's teeth to the shape of a bite mark on the victim, shall
4 be deemed wholly inadmissible in a federal court of law.
- 5 **SECTION 2.** Continued funding to states and territories from the Edward Byrne Memorial
6 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) shall be conditioned on the enactment of similar
7 legislation within one (1) year of passage.
- 8 **SECTION 3.** Federal cases that were decided in whole or in part based on bite mark evidence
9 may be appealed and overturned if a guilty verdict is not upheld with bite mark
10 evidence thrown out. States and territories are strongly encouraged to enact
11 legislation allowing for similar review.
- 12 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be overseen by the Department of Justice.
- 13 **SECTION 5.** This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.
- 14 **SECTION 6.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

LEGISLATION NO. 10

The Promoting Accuracy in Elections by Prohibiting Electronic Recording (PAEPER) Act

National Speech & Debate Association • October 2026 Congressional Debate Docket

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** Electronic voting machines, digital ballot-marking devices (BMDs), optical
2 scanners, and automated tabulation systems are hereby banned in all jurisdictions
3 conducting federal elections. The tasks meant to be streamlined by these
4 electronic devices must be carefully executed and rigorously accounted for by
5 hand and by human tabulators.
- 6 **SECTION 2.** States and territories are strongly encouraged to enact similar legislation for
7 elections at the subnational level.
- 8 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall be jointly overseen by the Election Assistance Commission
9 (EAC) and the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA).
- 10 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2027.
- 11 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.