# A Bill to End all Foreign Assistance to Improve the Economy

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1	SECTION 1.	All Foreign Assistance to any nation will now be cut from the United States
2		budget.
3	SECTION 2.	Foreign Assistance will be defined as any monetary or military assistance,
4		not including humanitarian assistance.
5	SECTION 3.	The United States Department of State shall oversee the implementation
6		of this legislation.
7	SECTION 4.	This bill shall go into effect immediately after its passing.
8	SECTION 5.	All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Petal High School.

## A Bill to Include Poultry within the Humane Methods of Slaughter Act

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The Humane Methods of Slaughter Act, (HMSA) (7 U.S.C.A. §§ 1901 et seq.) is hereby amended to include Poultry as a protected class of animals subject to humane slaughter as provided for in the Act.

SECTION 2. "Poultry" shall be defined as any domestic bird raised for a commercial purpose, regardless of whether that purpose is to be consumed or to provide a product, such as eggs or feathers. The term expressly includes chickens, ducks, and turkeys.

SECTION 3. The Department of Agriculture (USDA) will oversee the enforcement of the bill.

Section 1903 of the HMSA is hereby reinstated, such that the federal government may not purchase any livestock product if the livestock is slaughtered in contravention of the HMSA.

USDA Inspectors are specifically charged with the mandate to inspect slaughterhouses to ensure that they are in compliance with this Act, to halt operations if a violation is found, and to refuse to authorize operations until satisfied that violations are not likely to recur.

The USDA Inspector who finds a violation may assess a fine of anywhere from \$500 to \$10,000, depending on the seriousness of the violation, and the level of willful disregard shown.

SECTION 4. This law shall take effect within 1 year of its passage.

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

Respectfully submitted by Christ Episcopal School

#### A Resolution to Pardon Edward Snowden

WHEREAS, Edward Snowden has been forced into exile for blowing the whistle on numerous surveillance-related human rights abuses by the U.S. government; and

WHEREAS, These revelations have both spurred a trans-partisan movement to reform our surveillance and heightened international care for the right to privacy; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Snowden acted out of public service for both our nation and society-at-large, yet he is being treated like a traitor; and

WHEREAS, Continuing to label him as such perpetuates a fear of whistleblowing, validates the notion of a corrupt surveillance state, and otherwise reinforces distrust for government; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Student Congress here assembled urge the President of the United States to issue a pardon for Edward Snowden in order to right this moral injustice; and,

be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the President upon passage.

Respectfully submitted by Christ Episcopal School

## A Bill to Establish an Office of Special Counsel for the Intelligence Community

#### BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. An Office of Special Counsel will be created for the Intelligence Community, who would act as an advocate for whistleblowers and help them to navigate the proper procedures for reporting waste, fraud, abuse, or reprisal. This office would issue reports to Congressional Committees on a regular basis to ensure oversight of personnel actions within the national security field.

SECTION 2. "Intelligence Community" includes contractors and anyone who is privy to classified material which affects the security of the United States.

SECTION 3. This Office of Special Counsel would be located within the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI), which already has oversight responsibility for intelligence agencies

SECTION 4. This Bill is to become effective upon passage.

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

Respectfully submitted by Christ Episcopal School

## A RESOLUTION TO SOLVE THE INEQUALITY IN MARRIAGE

WHEREAS, Same-sex couples do not have the same legal rights and federal protections in Civil Unions as those in opposite-sex marriages do; and

WHEREAS, An estimated 5 percent of American identifies themselves under the category of "homosexual" (which includes gay, lesbian, bi, or transgendered); and

WHEREAS, The Defense of Marriage Act is unconstitutional on the grounds of violating the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment, which provides that "no state shall... deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws"; and

WHEREAS, Religious views and opinion are not legal ground and basis for opposition and ban, as we are a society that fundamentally separates church and state; and

WHEREAS, The American Psychology Association has stated that homosexuality is not a choice; there has been little evidence to prove it as such; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Student Congress here assembled that, a federal law, binding to all states as well, be passed allowing for members of the same sex who wish to have the equal, legal benefits as those in heterosexual marriages be fully allowed to do so; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an amendment be passed that prohibits the definition of marriage to be strictly defined as "between a man and a woman".

Respectfully Submitted By East Ascension High School

## A Resolution to Legalize Marijuana

- Whereas, recent legislation in California has estimated its Cannabis Sativa crops as a \$14-billion industry, placing it above vegetable and grapes, and
- Whereas, allowing legalized taxation of this state's crop alone could produce upward of \$1-billion in tax revenue for the state each year, and
- Whereas, medical use of marijuana is already legal in several states, and
- Whereas, legislation would allow the U.S. Government regulation of production and distribution, just as with tobacco and alcohol, and
- Whereas, legalizing marijuana would allow law enforcement agents to focus on more serious crimes, and
- Whereas, the current U.S. economy would benefit greatly from its own source of income and reduction in reliance on foreign aid; therefore,
- BE IT RESOLVED by this Student Congress here assembled that Cannabis Sativa, otherwise known as Marijuana, be legally sold, regulated and taxed in the United States of America.

Respectfully Submitted by East Ascension High School

#### A Resolution to Ban Legacy College Admissions

Whereas legacy students generally grow up with every educational advantage including households that emphasize education, access to the best schools, tutoring, SAT preparation courses, and even college admissions consultants, and

Whereas legacy admissions reward teens who have squandered these advantages, and

Whereas recent movements in the United States to dismantle minority preferences in college admissions policies have ignored the impact of legacy admissions on diversity, and

Whereas a recent study of college admissions data indicated that approximately
15 percent of freshmen enrolled in America's most selective universities were Caucasian
teens who failed to meet their institution's minimum admission standards, and

Whereas universities with the greatest number of legacy admissions were also the universities with the least racial and economic diversity, and

Whereas middle class students have been steadily squeezed out of the most selective universities by legacy admission policies, and

Whereas legacy admissions may violate the Constitution's "nobility" ban which prohibits conveying rights through heredity, and

Whereas the Caltech example proves that alumni will continue to contribute to their alma maters without the incentive of legacy admissions, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the student congress assembled that legacy admissions should be prohibited at all colleges and universities in the United States.

Respectfully Submitted by East Ascension High School

# A Bill to Reform Police Departments

#### BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1**. Upon passage of this bill, police departments will not send patrol units to patrol within their jurisdiction.

**Section 2**. Police Departments will be defined as, "a governmental department concerned with the administration of the police force". Patrol units will be defined as, "Any police automobile that is used for police and law enforcement duties." Police Departments will be run similarly to Fire Departments, only leaving upon call.

- **Section 3.** The Department of Justice will oversee the enforcement of this bill.
- **Section 4.** This bill shall go into effect six months after its passing.
- Section 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

### A BILL TO SEPARATE BIG BANKS AND MAKE INVESTMENTS MORE SECURE

- 1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
- 2 **SECTION 1**. The Banking Act of 1933 is hereby completely reenacted.
- 3 **SECTION 2.** The Banking Act of 1933 will be defined as the law that prohibited
- 4 commercial banks from taking part in the investment banking industry.
- 5 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Treasury in conjunction with the Federal Reserve shall
- 6 oversee the implementation of this legislation.
- 7 **SECTION 4.** The legislation shall take effect on October 1, 2017.
- 8 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Henry Horgan Oxbridge Academy