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Congressional Debate

Round Robin

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Legislation Packet

*2017 Topic Area: National
Parks/ Native American
Affairs*

A Bill to Heal the Indian Health Service

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The Indian Health Service budget will be increased:

- A. 2 billion dollars will be reallocated to The Indian Health Service for medical infrastructure improvements from the defense budget each year for 5 years.
- B. The Indian Health Service annual spending per enrollee shall not be less than per enrollee spending for Medicare and Medicaid.
- C. All additional funding needed to meet the requirements in Section 1.B will be taken from Medicare and Medicaid funding.

SECTION 2. "Medical infrastructure improvements" will be defined as improvements to infrastructure including but not limited to: new medical facilities, reusable medical equipment, training for medical and medical support staff, and new medical vehicles.

SECTION 3. The Department of Health and Human Services will be tasked with the implementation of this legislation.

- A. The Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services will be responsible for calculating per enrollee spending.
- B. The Indian Health Service will be tasked with:
 - a. Calculating their per enrollee spending;
 - b. Implementation of new funding.

SECTION 4. This Legislation will go into effect for the 2018 fiscal year

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by New Trier Township High School.



A Bill to Extend Eminent Domain Rights to Native American Tribes

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. Any section of land that exists within the tribal boundaries of a United States reservations or native land shall be given the same legal considerations as non-tribal land in regards to eminent domain.

SECTION 2. "Eminent domain" shall be defined as one party providing fair market value for use and access to privately held land or property.
"Reservation or native land" shall be defined by the guidelines of 25 U.S. Code Chapter 24.

SECTION 3. Upon a declaration of eminent domain, representatives from the appropriate governmental bodies shall meet with an appointed and designated negotiations team from the native tribe that currently maintains ownership of said land. This team shall negotiate the terms of transfer and fair market price for said land.
Fair compensation shall be appropriated as per normal means from the appropriate governmental budget.

SECTION 4. This law shall take effect on October 1st, 2019.

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

Respectfully submitted by John F. Kennedy High School

A Bill to Stop The Usage of Nuclear Energy to Protect Native American Communities

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

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SECTION 1. The production and use of nuclear energy will now be prohibited. \$5 billion will be allocated towards removing nuclear waste on Native American lands safely and combating the damage caused by such waste.

SECTION 2. Nuclear energy shall be defined as electricity generated through nuclear fission or fusion. Nuclear waste shall be defined as radioactive waste material that are the byproducts of the use or reprocessing of nuclear fuel.

SECTION 3. The Department of Energy shall oversee the implementation of this bill.

SECTION 4. This bill will go into effect immediately after passage.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Ranen Miao (Millburn High School, NJ).



A Bill to Improve the State of Native American Health

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The Indian Health Service shall receive funding from a .02% tax from all high frequency trading transactions until the life expectancy of a Native American or an Alaskan Native matches or exceeds that of the United States "all races" population life expectancy.

SECTION 2. A. The Indian Health Service shall be abbreviated as the IHS.

B. High frequency trading shall be characterized by four standards, and any of the following shall qualify a trade as high frequency, subject to taxation:

1. Use of extraordinarily high speed and sophisticated programs for generating, routing, and executing orders.
2. Use of co-location services and individual data feeds offered by exchanges and others to minimize network and other latencies.
3. Ending the trading day in as close to a flat position as possible (that is, not carrying significant unhedged positions overnight).
4. Trades of all quantities occurring in less than one tenth of a second.

C. Native Americans and Alaskan Natives shall be defined as a person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South American



(including Central America) and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment.

D. The United States "all races" population shall account the entire population with exception to Native Americans and Alaskans for the purpose of life expectancy comparison.

SECTION 3. The Internal Revenue Service and the Department of Health shall jointly oversee the implementation of this bill.

A. The Internal Revenue Service will be granted full authority to enforce the taxation of all high frequency trades and allocation of funding the IHS

B. The Department of Health will calculate and compare the life expectancy in accordance of section 1 of this legislation.

SECTION 4. This Bill shall take effect the start of fiscal year 2019

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

Introduced for Debate By Braden Johnson of Chanhassen High School

**A BILL TO BAN THE UNDESIRE CONSTRUCTION
ON NATIVE AMERICAN RESERVATIONS**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. Any and all construction on Native American reservations that is not specifically requested and supported by the Native Americans of that reservation is hereby prohibited.

SECTION 2. A Native American reservation is a legal designation for an area of land managed by a Native American tribe under the US Bureau of Indian Affairs.

SECTION 3. The US Bureau of Indian Affairs shall be responsible for the implementation of this legislation.

- A. Violation of this legislation shall carry a fine determined in the nearest circuit court not exceeding \$1 billion.
- B. Any and all revenue from this legislation shall be awarded to Native American reservations.
- C. All additional funds necessary will be provided through the normal fiscal year 2019 budgeting process.

SECTION 4. This legislation shall go into effect on January 1, 2019.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Dany Matar
Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology*

A Bill to Compensate Native American Populations

BE IT ENACTED BY THIS CONGRESS THAT:

1 Section 1

2 The US shall provide reparations to all Native Americans living in recognized Native American tribes.
3 Reparations will be continued annually until the poverty rate in Native American Tribes is equal to
4 that of the US population. Reparations will be given to all those who are either attending, applying
5 or accepted into a recognized university or college.

6 Section 2

7 Native American will be defined under the parameters of the Indian Civil Rights Act of 1968. Any
8 tribes not directly included under the act may apply to receive tribe status by providing proof of tribal
9 existence through the Department of the Interior (DOI) tribe enrollment process. Reparations will be
10 given in the form of college scholarships. The value of each stipend will be equal to the
11 national average tuition cost of out-of-state public college.

12 Section 3

13 The Department of the Interior, in joint commision with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, will be
14 responsible for the determination of eligible Native Americans and tribal status. The IRS and Treasury
15 Department will be responsible for the distribution of reparations. Reparations will be funded by
16 capping tax deductions for the top 3% of earners at 28 cents on the dollar.

17 Section 4

18 This legislation will go into effect after the Department of the Interior has collected a comprehensive list
19 of eligible Native Americans.

20 Section 5

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

Respectfully Submitted,
Nicholas DeVito
Poly Prep Country Day School

A Bill to Respect Land Rights

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1: The complete text of The National Monument Creation and Protection Act (H.R. 3990) is hereby enacted.

SECTION 2: Changes in size growth or reduction must be approved by the elected governing body of each county, the legislature of each State, and the Governor of each State within whose boundaries the national monument will be located.

SECTION 3: The National Park Service with the Bureau of Indian Affairs shall oversee the implementation of this bill.

SECTION 4: This legislation shall be implemented on January 1 2018.

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

A Bill to Reinstate Funding to The Foriegn Language Assitance Program

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** A. Funding to the Foreign Language Assistance Program
2 (FRAP) shall be reinstated as .008% of the Department of Education Budget
3 (70.7 Billion Dollars) per fiscal year.
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5 B. The Congressional Budget Office (CBO) will be responsible
6 for advising funding allocation for each fiscal year to follow.
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8 **SECTION 2.** A. The FRAP provides grants to establish, improve, or expand
9 innovative foreign language programs for elementary and secondary
10 school students.
- SECTION 3.** The Department of Education will oversee the enforcement of this bill.
- SECTION 4.** This bill will be implemented as of the beginning of the next
fiscal year: October 1, 2018.
- SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared
null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Devon Shewell, St. Joseph Central High School.

A Bill to Fix the National Park Service Repair Backlog

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- SECTION 1.** The National Park System will receive \$12 billion to fix the National Park Service Repair Backlog.
- SECTION 2.** Funds will come from three places: cuts to defense spending; the sale of "National Park Bonds"; as well as from revenue created by the National Park System Advisory Board. The Service Repair Backlog consists mostly of needed infrastructure maintenance and repairs, but also includes preservation efforts.
- SECTION 3.** The House and Senate Appropriations Committees will determine the cuts to defense spending.
- The U.S. Department of the Treasury will oversee the creation and sale of Series E Savings bonds. These bonds will be called "National Park Bonds". The profits from these bonds will be turned over to The National Park System.
- The National Park System Advisory Board will be granted greater authority to set targeted fees; such as selling timber and minerals; as well as capitalize on other assets.
- The National Park System will oversee and carry out revenue efforts created by the National Park System Advisory Board; as well as see that its Service Repair Backlog is completed.
- SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2019
- SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Nautica Flowers of Eagan High School

A Resolution to Increase Nutrition Information Available On Reservations
BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

Section One: Every state with a reservation on their land will hire a Registered Dietician who will act as a liaison between the reservation education and government to increase accurate nutrition education.

Section Two:

- A.** The liaison will act as a representative of said state and work with the leaders of the tribes to create a unique nutrition education plan.
- B.** Per each state that that a reservation resides (a total of 25 states) shall have one liaison.

Section Three: Two million dollars will be directed to this from the Bureau of Indian Affairs budget.

Section Four: This legislation will go into effect one year after passing.

Section Five: All laws in conflict are hereby declared null and void.

A Bill to Abolish Native American Reservations

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Native American Reservations will be abolished and an additional \$10
3 billion will be allocated annually to Bureau of Indian Affairs for health and
4 education services for Native Americans:

5 **A.** \$5 billion will be allocated to Native American school systems for
6 updated buildings and classrooms, hiring teachers, providing after
7 school programming, and the creation of a Native American College
8 Fund. At least 25% must be allocated for hiring and paying educators.

9 **B.** \$5 billion will be allocated for Native American healthcare, including
10 addiction treatment services.

11 **SECTION 2.** "Reservations" shall be defined as the land managed by a federally
12 recognized Native American tribe under the United States Bureau of
13 Indian Services. There are currently 326 reservations in the United States.

14 **SECTION 3.** The Department of the Interior will oversee the enforcement of this bill.

15 **A.** The Bureau of Indian Services will ensure the proper allocation of
16 funds to Native American schools and healthcare organizations.

17 **B.** The Bureau of Indian Services will put all Native American lands in
18 trust, with Native Americans as the sole beneficiary.

19 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect for the 2019 fiscal year.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Kevin Jacobson, Maple Grove Senior High School.

Resolution that the US government allocate 50 million dollars to the CDC to administer vaccines to the Native American tribes of the United States.

Whereas: The CDC released in 2015 that Natives are more likely to hospitalized from the flu than the general U.S. population; and,

Whereas: Diseases within these communities are fast spreading and lead to more people getting sick than necessary

Whereas: This problem stems from improper vaccinations, reduced health care, and crowded living conditions; and,

Whereas: When vaccinations are available to the public it can take up a year for the vaccine to get to the reservations; and,

Whereas: Even if the vaccines are available it is not enough of a supply for the whole community which leaves many people unvaccinated; and,

Whereas: Allocating money to the CDC to use would ensure that these communities get the help they need; and,

Whereas: The community will be able to fight diseases and not spread it to the populous; and,

Therefore: The US government allocate 50 million dollars to the CDC to administer vaccines to the Native American tribes of the United States.