

A Economic Stimulation Bill to reform our tax system of the federal government by reducing the amount of the money the federal government collects and returning it to the people who actually earned it.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Section 1. Enact a flat income tax rate of 15% on all income earned by individuals and 15% for corporations. For individuals, eliminate all itemized deductions, credits, and exemptions.

Section 2. Itemized deductions would include all medical expenses, state and local income and property taxes, interest expense, and any other miscellaneous deductions as currently defined by the Internal Revenue Code. All individual tax credits include refundable and nonrefundable credits. Exemptions include personal exemptions from taxes.

Section 3. The Internal Revenue Service will be responsible for the collection of taxes from individuals. The 15% tax will be withheld from all wages and income thus eliminating the need to file a traditional Form 1040 tax return.

Section 4. This Bill will ensure that all individuals will pay the same percentage of taxes regardless of their income and that the filing of individual income tax returns is eliminated.

Section 5. This Bill will go into effect on April 16, 2018.

Section 6. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Respectfully submitted,
Senator Tyler Hoppe
Atlee High School*

A Bill to reform our current tax system

By simplifying the tax return system and making sure that all individuals pay the same percentage of tax on their income.

#131

A Bill to Increase the Number of Visas in the Diversity Visa Lottery

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. **SECTION 1.** This bill amends the Immigration Act of 1990 to increase the statutory
2. limit on visas given out by the Diversity Visa Lottery from the current
3. limit of 50,000 to 100,000.
4. **SECTION 2.** All winners of the Diversity Visa Lottery shall undergo a strict vetting
5. Process.
6. A. Strict vetting process shall be defined as a series of procedures that
7. would involve both consular interviews and background checks in
8. order to make sure all Diversity Visa immigrants are individuals that
9. can positively contribute to the economy and welfare of the United
10. States.
11. **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of State will oversee the implementation
12. of this legislation.
13. A. All applications to the Diversity Visa Lottery will be handled by the
14. Department of State.
15. **SECTION 4.** This law shall go into effect in the fiscal year 2019.
16. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and
17. void.

Respectfully submitted,

Bharath Dileepkumar

Thomas Jefferson High School for Science & Technology

#137

A Resolution To Urge Countries In The United Nations To Address Human Trafficking

1. **WHEREAS,** Human Trafficking has proven to be a growing global crisis; and
2. **WHEREAS,** Approximately 46.3 million people are victims of modern slavery;
3. And
4. **WHEREAS,** Human Trafficking takes place in the informal economy, thus
5. Undermining the formal economy and making it harder to
6. Address the issue. Additionally, basic human rights violations
7. Are taking place and only 136 out of 196 countries facing this
8. Global crisis have criminalized Human Trafficking; and
9. **RESOLVED,** By this Congress that: The United States of America, as a
10. Leader of the free world, urge all countries in the United Nations
11. To address the issue of Human Trafficking through proper
12. Legislation to fit the circumstances of that society.

Respectfully submitted for congressional debate by Senator Shriya Samala

Chantilly High School

A Bill to Prohibit Workplace Discrimination

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** Any and all workplace discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and
2 gender identity is prohibited, as per the Equal Opportunity act; all legal employees are
3 entitled to fair treatment.
- 4 **SECTION 2.** Workplace discrimination is defined as the unfavorable treatment of
5 someone based on a characteristic protected by the law.
- 6 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Labor will oversee the enforcement of this
7 legislation.
- 8 1. Any employer found in violation of this act will be fined 15,000 USD per employee
9 per year.
- 10 2. This act extends to discriminatory treatment, employment discrimination, unfair
11 wages, undue punishment, and wrongful termination.
- 12 **SECTION 4.** The Equal Opportunity Act of 2010 is herein amended; this legislation
13 will be implemented immediately after passage.
- 14 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and
15 void.
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Respectfully Submitted,

Senator Gayatri Chintala
Chantilly High School

Bill #149

A Bill to Reduce the Number of Private Prisons

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The United States Department of Justice will cease to send convicted criminals to private prisons and will begin transporting prisoners currently in private prisons to federal or state-run prisons. Government contracts with private prisons will not be renewed and no new contracts will be signed.

SECTION 2. Private prisons shall be defined as prisons run for profit and/or by private organizations under government contract.

SECTION 3. The United States Department of Justice will oversee the implementation of this bill.

SECTION 4. This bill will be implemented immediately upon passing.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Senator Casey Kim.

Chantilly High School

#151

**A Bill to Maintain Current Funding for the National
Aeronautics and Space Administration**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) will continue to receive its projected FY 2017 quantity of \$19.285 billion for the 2019 fiscal year. The amount of money appropriated to NASA will remain the same in both FY 2018 and FY 2019.

SECTION 2. The duration of the United States federal government's fiscal year (FY) 2019 will last from October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019.

SECTION 3. The United States Congress will allocate the aforesaid funding to NASA and will manage the enforcement of this legislation.

SECTION 4. This bill will be implemented immediately after passage.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Senator Alexandra Bowman.
Chantilly High School*

#157

A Resolution to begin a campaign of lowering all forms of tax by 15% other than those that are pigovian.

1 **WHEREAS,** The United States remains one of the most heavily
2 taxed and least monetarily effective governments in the world; and
3 **WHEREAS,** Individuals and companies are being extorted to an
4 unjustifiable degree; and
5 **WHEREAS,** Lowering taxes to companies and individuals is critical
6 to economic growth and more effective use of tax dollars; and
7 **WHEREAS,** Lowering the government spending on military,
8 education, and congressional compensation; now, therefore, be it
9 **RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled work to lower
10 government spending to lower taxes by 15% to benefit the taxpayers of
11 America.

Chantilly High School

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Make Voting In Federal Elections Mandatory

1 WHEREAS: The United States Constitution does not require eligible voters to
2 vote in elections for Federal offices; and

3 WHEREAS: There has been, and continues to be, increased political apathy resulting in
4 eligible voters not voting in an election for Federal offices; and

5 WHEREAS: The failure of voters to execute their right to vote can cause the government
6 of the United States to be unrepresentative of the Population of the United
7 States; now therefore be it:

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

13 ARTICLE --

14 SECTION 1: All types of voting will count as an official vote, including voting on election day,
15 voting early, or an absentee ballot.

16 SECTION 2: All citizens must vote for a federal office on or prior to that office's election day
17 unless they have a reason that inhibits them from voting.

18 SECTION 2a: All citizens who have their voting privileges taken from them shall
19 not be allowed to vote, but will not be penalized for not voting.

20 SECTION 3: Fines for not voting shall be at a percentage of monthly income

21 SECTION 3a: Congress can establish how the fines shall be distributed and
22 charged, however, the fines shall not be lower than 3% but not
23 higher than 15% of the monthly income.

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Make Voting In Federal Elections Mandatory

24 SECTION 4: This amendment shall be enforced by legislation by individual state legislatures
25 along with Congress.

26 SECTION 4a: Individual states will have authority to enforce this law.

27 SECTION 4b: Congress can pass guidelines for the states to follow.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nishad Manohar

Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Make Voting In Federal Elections Mandatory

Respectfully Submitted,

Nishad Manohar

Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology

#167
A Bill to Eliminate Private Prisons

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The United States will eliminate private prisons and transfer control of these prisons to government run facilities.

SECTION 2. Private prisons are publicly funded prisons that are privately run. The United States will use eminent domain to acquire these prisons from private companies.

SECTION 3. The Federal Bureau of Prisons, under the Department of Homeland Security will oversee the enforcement of this bill.

SECTION 4. This legislation shall be implemented upon the fiscal year after the next.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Representative Aditi Chandrashekar
Thomas Jefferson High School

A Bill to Withdraw From NAFTA

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States will exit the North American Free Trade Agreement
3 (NAFTA), and will reinstate the tariffs between the United States, Canada,
4 and Mexico.

5 **SECTION 2.** Written notice of this decision shall be delivered to other signatories of
6 NAFTA.

7 **SECTION 3.** The United States Trade Representative shall oversee the implementation
8 of this bill.

9 **SECTION 4.** This law shall go into effect three months following its passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Aditya Kumar
Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology

#179
A BILL TO INCENTIVIZE MANDATORY VACCINATIONS TO
BETTER AMERICA'S HEALTH

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Any state which mandates full vaccination schedules for all children
3 enrolled in public education shall receive an additional 2% of funding in
4 support of primary or secondary public education.

5 **SECTION 2.** The list of required vaccinations shall be based on the immunization
6 schedule recommended by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention
7 for the specified age level of the student.

8 **A.** The sincerely held philosophical and religious beliefs of the parent or
9 the student shall not be a defense to the provisions of this act.

10 **B.** The provisions of Section 1 shall not apply where a child is not
11 vaccinated upon the certification of a physician who certifies that the
12 student's health and physical condition would be endangered by such
13 vaccination, and that the physician has made such judgement by
14 conforming to the accepted standards of medical care.

15 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of
16 Education will both oversee the compliance with this Act.

17 **A.** The additional funds needed as incentives for participating public
18 schools will be taken from the 2018 fiscal budget.

19 **SECTION 4.** This law shall go into effect on August 31st, 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Shreya Raghuram
Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology

#181

**A RESOLUTION TO ACCELERATE NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT TO
REDUCE THE SIZE OF THE AMERICAN NUCLEAR ARSENAL**

1 **WHEREAS,** The American nuclear arsenal is excessively large at 6,800 weapons; and

2 **WHEREAS,** The United States possesses enough nuclear weapons to destroy the planet many
3 times over; and

4 **WHEREAS,** Maintenance of a nuclear arsenal of such a large size costs us about 20 billion
5 dollars each year and contributes to a boondoggling defense budget; and

6 **WHEREAS,** Recent events have contributed to geopolitical instability, escalating the threat of
7 a global, and possibly nuclear conflict; and

8 **WHEREAS,** A nuclear conflict would cause catastrophic and unprecedented destruction and
9 harm to the United States, as well as the greater human race; now, therefore, be it

10 **RESOLVED,** That the Student Congress here assembled take steps to extend the New Start
11 Treaty enacted in 2011 until 2026; and, be it

12 **FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the Student Congress here assembled take further steps to
13 reduce the United States' nuclear arsenal.

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Anand Ramaka

Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology

**A BILL TO MAKE COMMUNITY COLLEGE FREE TO HELP AMERICAN
STUDENTS**

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States federal government will eliminate tuition costs for
3 students in good standing at two-year community colleges.

4 **SECTION 2.** Students in good standing refer to individuals who attend at least half-
5 time, maintain a 2.5 GPA, and make steady progress toward completing
6 their program.

7 A. Community colleges that qualify must offer transfer programs or
8 occupational training certificate programs with high graduation rates.

9 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Education will oversee implementation of this
10 legislation.

11 A. All funds will be provided through the normal fiscal year 2019
12 budgeting process.

13 B. If necessary, the price for community college may be capped at a later
14 date upon implementation of this legislation.

15 **SECTION 4.** The law shall go into effect in the fiscal year 2019.

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

*Respectfully submitted,
Representative Ayush Viswanathan
Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology*

A Bill to Provide School Voucher Programs

BE IT ENACTED BY THIS STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. **SECTION I.** School voucher programs shall hereby be provided by all states in
2. the United States.
3. **SECTION II.** School voucher programs shall be defined as a government-funded
4. offer redeemable for tuition fees at a private school for students struggling financially.
5. **A.** The state providing the school vouchers shall use the
6. current guidelines to determine students who qualify for receiving
7. school vouchers.
8. **SECTION III.** The Department of Education shall work in conjunction with state
9. education departments and participating private schools to oversee the implementation of
10. this legislation.
11. **A.** Each state shall decide how much funding goes towards
12. school vouchers, which shall be funded by state taxes.
13. **SECTION IV.** This bill shall be implemented on July 1st 2017.
14. **SECTION V.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
15. and void.

Respectfully submitted,

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Senator Alison Thimmesh of Dominion High School

A Bill to Replace Obamacare

1. **SECTION I.** The Affordable Care Act shall hereby be repealed and replaced by
2. a single payer healthcare system.
3. **SECTION II.** A single payer healthcare system shall hereby be defined as a
4. healthcare system financed by taxes that covers the costs of
5. essential healthcare for all residents, with costs covered by a single
6. public system.
7. **SECTION III.** The U.S Department of Health & Human Services shall oversee
8. the implementation of this bill.
9. **SECTION IV.** This bill shall be implemented six months upon passage.
10. **SECTION V.** All laws in conflict with this legislation shall hereby be declared
11. null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ben Hummer". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Senator Ben Hummer of Dominion High School

A Bill to Lower Student Debt

BE IT ENACTED BY THIS STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. **SECTION I.** The federal student loan interest rate shall be lowered by 10% of
2. the current amount.
3. **SECTION II.** Student loans shall be defined as loans designed to help students
4. pay for post-secondary education and the associated fees, such as
5. tuition, books and supplies, and living expenses.
6. **SECTION III.** The Department of Education shall oversee the passage of this bill.
7. **SECTION IV.** This bill shall be implemented immediately upon passage.
8. **A.** Only student loans taken out after the passage of this bill
9. shall be affected.
10. **SECTION V.** All laws in conflict with this legislation shall hereby be declared
11. null and void.

Respectfully Submitted,

Senator Divya Lobo of Dominion High School

#199

A Resolution to Improve FEMA's Effectivity

1. **WHEREAS,** The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has failed
2. to respond to immediate disasters quickly and efficiently; and,
3. **WHEREAS,** American citizens are losing their lives in the aftermath of natural
4. disasters due to this lack of proper response; and,
5. **WHEREAS,** The safety and destructions around the United States must be
6. repaired efficiently and immediately by the federal government or risk the deaths of more
7. lives; now, therefore, be it
8. **RESOLVED,** By this Student Congress here assembled that: FEMA shall increase
9. the quality and quantity of disaster recovery stations to provide food, water, medical
10. supplies, and other basic necessities to those affected by natural disasters.

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Selam Alemu of Dominion High School

#211

Protect the Freedom of Assembly

- 1 **Article I:** The United States shall ensure that rallies and protests
2 that risk the lives or well-being of its citizens will receive
3 protection for protests and counter-protesters.
- 4 **Article II:** This will be done by sending the National Guard or State
5 police to guard protest members or counter-protest members.
- 6 **Article III:** The State Government will evaluate if a protest leaves a risk
7 A. of violence for anyone participating, with the Governor.
8 being permitted to call in state police or National Guard.
- 9 **Article IV:** All other laws that are in conflict with this legislation
10 are declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By,
Senator Kyle Nathanson

Potomac Falls High School

#223

A Bill to End the Diversity Visa Lottery Program

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Article I: The United States will end the Diversity Visa Lottery Program and replace it with a Merit-Based System.

Article II: The Diversity Visa Lottery Program gives out randomly drawn visas to people from countries with low rates of immigration.

Article II: The Department of State shall oversee the execution of this bill.

Article IV: This bill will be effective in two months upon passage.

Article V: All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By,
Senator Lawrence Phan

Potomac Falls High School

A Bill to Replace The Affordable Care Act With A Single Payer System

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- Article 1.** The Affordable Care Act be repealed and be replaced with a Single Payer Universal Health Care system.
- Article 2.** Single payer health care is a system in which healthcare is handled through the government and made universal at the expense of American tax revenue.
- Article 3.** The Department of Health and Human Services in conjunction with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services is responsible for the execution of this bill
- Article 4.** This bill will be effective immediately upon passage.
- Article 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Jack Daou

Potomac Falls High School

#233

Funding of NASA

- 1 Article I: NASA's funding will be increased to \$45 billion of the national
2 budget.
- 3 Article II: NASA's (National Aeronautics and Space Administration)
4 funding will be increased from \$19.1 billion (President Trump's
5 request) to \$45 billion.
- 6 Article III: This bill will go into law immediately following its passage by 7
Congress.
- 8 Article IV: The House of Representatives Appropriations Committee will
9 oversee the implementation of this bill.
- 10 Article V: All laws in conflict with the legislation are declared null and void 11
upon passage.

Respectfully Submitted,

Senator Ahmed Adam,

Potomac Falls High School

#239

A Bill to Tax Wall Street Transactions

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. **Article 1** A financial transaction tax of 0.03% will be placed on all sales of
2. stocks, bonds, derivatives, and other investments to generate
3. revenue for the United States government.
4. **Article 2** This bill is subject to re-approval every fiscal year.
5. **Article 3** The Department of the Treasury is responsible for the execution of
6. the bill.
7. **Article 4** This bill will be effective immediately upon passage.
8. **Article 5** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and
9. void.

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Harry Kay

Sidwell Friends School

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9. void.

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Harry Kay

Sidwell Friends School

#241

A Resolution to Protect American Students

1. Whereas: The majority of campus hazing has occurred since 1838 on the east coast
2. in affiliation with fraternal organizations and/or clubs associated with an
3. institute of higher education; and
4. Whereas: The Higher Education Act passed in 1965 failed to end the scourge of
5. hazing on American college and university campuses; and
6. Whereas: Pending legislation in the House, HR 2926, the Report and Educate About
7. Campus Hazing Act, does not sufficiently address the problem.
8. Therefore: Be it resolved by this Congress here assembled that: institutes of higher
9. education ban fraternal organizations and clubs on American college
10. campuses.

Respectfully submitted,

Nolan Lewis
Sidwell Friends School