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The Sentencing Reform and Corrections Act of 2017

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- **Section 1.** The complete text of the Sentencing Reform and Corrections Act of 2017 (S. 1917) is hereby enacted.
- Section 2. Sections 101-109 of 'Sentence Reform' and Sections 201-212 of 'Corrections Act' shall apply to:
 - A. Any offense that was committed before the date of enactment of this legislation, if a sentence for the offense has not been imposed as of such date of enactment.
 - **B.** In the case of a defendant who, before the date of enactment of this legislation, was convicted of an offense for which the penalty is amended by this section and was sentenced to a term of imprisonment for the offense, a term of imprisonment may be reduced if:
 - 1. The instant violation was for a drug trafficking offense that did not involve a violation of clause (ii) or (iii) of section 924(c)(1)(A) of title 18, United States Code.
 - 2. The defendant has not otherwise been convicted of any serious violent felony.
 - 3. The sentencing court, after considering the factors set forth in section 3553(a) of title 18, United States Code, the nature and seriousness of the danger to any person, the community, or any crime victims, and the post-sentencing conduct of the defendant, finds a reduction is consistent with this section.
- **Section 3.** The Department of Justice shall be responsible for the oversight and implementation of this legislation.
- Section 4. This legislation shall take effect on March 1, 2018.
- Section 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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A Bill to WASH Away the Water Worries of West Africa

- Section 1. A. The United States will renew their involvement in the West Africa Water Supply, Sanitation, and Hygiene Program (WA-WASH) for seven more years (2018-2025).
 B. The United States will increase their funding to the program from \$24 million to \$35 million.
- Section 2. "Western Africa" will include Northern Ghana, Burkina Faso, and Niger
- **Section 3.** The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) will oversee the implementation of this legislation.
- Section 4. This legislation will be implemented on January 1, 2018
- Section 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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A Bill to "Just Do It" for Student Athletes

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- **Section 1.** Universities that receive federal funding and have sports contracts worth over 1 million dollars, per year, will be required to disperse 50% of that respective income to university athletes.
- Section 2. A. "Sports contracts" are defined as athletic apparel contracts.
 - **B.** "University athletes" must be full time students of the school.
 - C. University athletes shall receive this supplement for health, education, and welfare.
- Section 3. The Department of Education shall oversee the implementation of this legislation.
- **Section 4.** This legislation will be implemented July 1, 2018.
- Section 5. All laws in conflict this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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A Bill to Fund CRISPR

- **Section 1.** A. \$50 million shall be given to the research and improvement of Clustered Regularly Interspaced Short Palindromic Repeats (CRISPR).
 - B. This money will be taken from the U.S. Military Budget (FY 2019)
- **Section 2.** This funding will be allocated to projects already underway at the time of implementation.
- **Section 3.** The Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of Defense shall oversee the implementation of this legislation.
- Section 4. This legislation will be implemented October 1, 2019.
- Section 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

A Bill to Repeal the Professional and Amatuer Sports Protection Act

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

- Section 1. Sports gambling is now legal across the United States.
- **Section 2. A.** "Gambling" entails lottery, sweepstakes, or other betting/wagering scheme based structures (directly or indirectly) on one or more competitive games in which amatuer or professional sports athletes participate, or intended to participate, in one or more performances of a game.
 - **B.** Gambling applies to individuals and/or governmental entities willing to sponsor, operate, advertise, or promote pursuant to the law.
- Section 3. The American Gaming Association shall oversee the passage of this legislation.
- Section 4. This legislation shall be implemented immediately upon passage.
- Section 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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A Bill to Ensure Public Universities Respect Their Students

- **Section 1.** Public Universities that violate the Constitutional Rights of a student or a faculty member shall:
 - A. Pay liquidated damages to the plaintiff in the amount of no less than \$1 million.
 - B. Forfeit 25% of its federal funding in the respective fiscal year.
- **Section 2.** If a university is a repeat offender within the time frame of 5 years from the initial court case, it will forfeit 100% of its federal funding for that respective fiscal year.
- **Section 3.** The Department of Education and the Department of Justice shall oversee the passage of this legislation.
- Section 4. This legislation will be implemented upon passage.
- Section 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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A Bill to House America

- **SECTION 1.** Section 8 of the Housing Act of 1937 is amended to redefine "extremely low income" as "incomes not exceeding 45% of the local median or poverty line"
- **SECTION 2.** This legislation shall have no financial impact on the Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH).
- **SECTION 3.** The Department of Housing and Urban Development shall oversee the implementation of this legislation.
- **SECTION 4**. This legislation shall be implemented upon passage.
- **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

A Bill to Halt Communications with North Korea

- **SECTION 1.** The United States shall place economic sanctions on:
 - **A.** Any bank or company involved in purchases of North Korean minerals, coal, textiles, or other goods that earn Pyongyang hard currency.
 - **B.** Any financial institution that provides services to North Korean banks, shipping lines that call at North Korean ports and insurers that underwrite cargoes to and from North Korea.
- **SECTION 2.** These sanctions shall be lifted when the respective entities eliminate interaction with the businesses and government of North Korea.
- **SECTION 3.** The Department of Treasury and the Department of State shall oversee the passage and implementation of this legislation.
- SECTION 4. This legislation shall be implemented upon passage.
- SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

A Bill to Identify CTE Before It's Too Late

- **SECTION 1. A.** \$50 million shall be given to the research, improvement, and creation of a Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy (CTE) test.
 - **B.** This money shall be taken from the United States Military Budget (FY 2019).
- **SECTION 2.** At the time of testing and development, professional athletes of the 4 major sports leagues shall pay no fee to complete the test.
- **SECTION 3.** The Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of Defense shall oversee the implementation of this legislation.
- **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be passed on July 1 2018.
- **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.



A Bill to Take Net Neutrality Back Three Years

- **SECTION 1.** This legislation will function as a Joint Resolution of Disapproval to overrule the recent FCC's decision concerning net neutrality.
- **SECTION 2.** The 2015 regulations that prohibited broadband providers from blocking websites or charging for higher quality service of certain content will remain in place.
- **SECTION 3.** The Federal Communications Commission shall oversee the passage of this legislation.
- **SECTION 4.** This bill shall be implemented immediately upon passage [within the appropriate 60 day time frame]
- SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void,

A Bill to Fund CHIP

- **SECTION 1.** The Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) shall be renewed and funded through 2022.
- **SECTION 2.** The renewment of CHIP shall be funded by:
 - A. Cutting 6.3 billion dollars from the Prevention and Public Health Trust Fund [over 5 years].
 - B. Increasing the amount Medicare beneficiaries pay on premiums by 35% [over 5 years].
- **SECTION 3.** The Department of Health and Human Services shall oversee the passage of this legislation.
- **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect upon passage.
- SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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The REACH Act

- **SECTION 1.** The complete text of the "Report and Educate About Campus Hazing" Act (REACH) is hereby enacted.
- **SECTION 2.** "Hazing" is defined as any intentional, knowing, or reckless act committed by a student, or a former student, of an institution of higher education, whether individually or in concert with other persons, against another student, that—
 - A. Was committed in connection with an initiation into, an affiliation with, or the maintenance of membership in, any organization that is affiliated with such institution of higher education; and
 - **B.** Contributes to a substantial risk of physical injury, mental harm, or degradation or causes physical injury, mental harm or personal degradation.
- **SECTION 3.** The Department of Education shall oversee the passage of this legislation.
- **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be implemented on July 1 2018
- SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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A Resolution to Ensure Hospitals Are Stocked to the Brim

Whereas, American hospitals cumulatively use millions of saline-solution bags weekly; and Whereas, The factory of the largest supplier of these bags was wrecked in Hurricane Maria; and Whereas, Factories on American soil are producing faulty commodities; and

Whereas, The industry, as a whole, has been taken over by an investigation by the U.S.

Department of Justice

Whereas, These saline bags are running dangerously low- both for Americans and our nearest allies; therefore be it

Resolved that the Congress here assembled allow the importation of saline and other intravenous solutions from foreign countries; and be it

Further Resolved that the United States obtain approximately 1.5 times what we normally utilize as backlog to avoid exhaustion.

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A Resolution to Limit Grain Production and Allocation

Whereas, Almost 40% of the calories produced by the world's crops are being used for animal feed; and

Whereas, Only 12% of those calories ultimately contribute to the human diet; and

Whereas, More than 90 million acres of land in the United States are planted to corn, with the majority of the crop grown in the Heartland region; and

Whereas, Most of the crop is used as the main energy ingredient in livestock feed; and

Whereas, Millions of people in the United States could be fed if land used to grow crops for livestock were given over to crops for human consumption, therefore, be it:

Resolved by the Congress here assembled that: No more than 15% of the corn production produced by American farms will be used for consumption by livestock.

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A Resolution to Recognize Catalonia

Whereas, Catalonia has long considered itself a nation within a hostile state; and

Whereas, The history of its self-government has been repeatedly disrupted through acts of war and dictatorships imposed by Central Spain; and

Whereas, The United States has its roots based in independence; and

Whereas, The United States has enormous leverage in the situation between Spain and an emerging Catalonia; and

Whereas, The United States could use its influence to prevent a violent crackdown on the region and encourage a peaceful separation; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Congress here assembled recognize Catalonia as independent from Spain.

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A Resolution to Eliminate Tax Breaks for Professional Sports Stadiums

- Whereas, 25 states do not have a franchise in any of the 4 major sports leagues and are therefore paying for stadiums they have connection to; and
- Whereas, Organizations like the NFL [national office] have taken responsibility and relinquished their tax-exempt status;
- Whereas, The IRS has created loopholes through municipal bonds for franchises to avoid taxation; and
- Whereas, Millions of dollars have been lost to this tax exemption status; and
- Whereas, Professional sports stadiums should be longer be eligible to receive federal tax-exempt financing, therefore, be it:
- **Resolved** that the Congress here assembled eliminate the "private payment test" for professional sports stadiums.