

Bill #514

A Bill to Counter North Korean Agression in the Pacific

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **ARTICLE I.** A. The United States will deploy THAAD missile systems in
2 Okinawa, Japan and Hagåtña, Guam to counter the blatant threats posed to
3 our allies by North Korea's continued missile testing.

4 B. The United States military will continue to use both the
5 Patriot and the 6 Aegis systems that are currently deployed in the Pacific
6 region and strategically position them to defend our allies.

7 **ARTICLE II.**

8 A. The Terminal High Altitude Area Defense (THAAD) is a
9 defensive, American anti-ballistic missile defense system designed to
10 intercept short, medium, and intermediate range ballistic missiles.

11 B. The Patriot (MIM-104) is a long-range, all-altitude all-
12 weather air defense system designed to counter tactical ballistic missiles,
13 cruise missiles and advanced aircraft.

14 C. The Aegis Ballistic Missile Defense System (ABMD) is
15 program implemented by the United States Department of Defense Missile
16 Defense Agency to provide missile defense against short to intermediate-
17 range ballistic missiles.

18 **ARTICLE III.** The United States Special Operations Command and the Department of
19 Defense will oversee implementation of this bill.

20 **ARTICLE IV.** This bill will take effect immediately after the passage of this
21 legislation.

22 **ARTICLE V.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared
23 null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Amy Nankin

Walt Whitman High School

Bill #529

Bill to modernize Social Security

- 1 **Article I:** The United States government shall privatize the social security
2 Administration. This policy would end the national social security system
3 and transfer workers accounts to private investment accounts such as a
4 401k or IRA
- 5 **Article II:** Privatize meaning to transfer the control of the system into the private
6 sector.
- 7 **Article III:** This bill shall be implemented on the first of January 2020
- 8 **Article IV:** This Bill will be implemented by the Social Security Administration
- 9 **Article V:** All other laws that are in conflict with this bill shall hereby be declared null
10 and void.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Beusse, Walt Whitman High School

Bill #532

A Bill to Phase Out Private Prisons

1 Article I: The United States government will phase out the use
2 of private prisons, also known as for-profit prisons.

3 A. Each year, the government will discontinue hiring of private
4 prisons as they allocate space in public institutions to ensure
overcrowding does not occur.

5 Article II: Private prisons can be defined by places where
6 individuals are physically confined or incarcerated by a third
7 party that is contracted by a government agency.

8 Article III: The United States Department of Justice and the
Federal Bureau of Prisons will implement this bill.

9 A. \$600 million will be allocated to the DOJ and BOP to
10 transition inmates from private to public prisons, if necessary.

11 B. These funds will come from the budget not used to hire the
12 companies to operate the private prisons.

13 Article IV: This bill will be implemented on January 1, 2019.

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

16 Respectfully submitted,

17 Sen. Ela Shroff

18 Walt Whitman High School

Bill #542

A Bill to Ban the Sale of Handguns

1 Article I: The United States will prohibit the sale of
2 handguns to its citizens.

3 Article II: A handgun shall be defined as a firearm
4 designed to be held and fired in one hand.

5 Article III: This change shall be implemented by the
6 Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.
7 Violation of this law will be punished by a fine of \$1,000.

8 Article IV: This bill will be implemented by July 1st of
9 2018

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Lucy Goldberg, Walt Whitman High School

Bill #545

Bill to Prohibit and Replace for Profit Prisons

1 Article I: For profit prisons will be prohibited in the United States to
2 improve our justice system. Federal, state, and local prisons
3 will replace these private prisons. The United States
4 government shall allocate \$625 million towards replacing
5 private prisons. Money will go towards building additional
6 federal prisons and block grants for state prisons.

7 Article II: For profit prisons are also known as private prisons that are
8 not run by any level of government.

9 Article III: This legislation will be implemented by 2020.

10 Article IV: The Department of Justice shall oversee the
11 implementation of this bill

12 Article V: All laws in conflict with this new policy shall hereby be
13 declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

Meera Dahiya, Walt Whitman High School

Bill #555

The Green Act

1 Article I: The production, sale, and use of recreational marijuana will
2 be legal in the United States and its territories.

3 Article II: Recreational marijuana is defined as marijuana used for all
4 purposes other than medical.

5 Article III: This bill will go into effect on June 1st, 2018.

6 Article IV: The United States Department of Justice will oversee the
7 implementation of this bill.

8 Article V: All laws in conflict with this bill shall hereby be declared
9 null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Fratantoni

Walt Whitman High School

Resolution #556

**A Resolution to Promote Polish Political Reform to
Save Poland's Democracy**

1 **WHEREAS,** America's vital ally, Poland, has been taken over by the extremist
2 Law and Justice political party; and

3 **WHEREAS,** Law and Justice has taken several actions to undermine Poland's
4 democracy; and

5 **WHEREAS,** Without foreign intervention, Poland will continue to deteriorate
6 into an authoritarian state; and

7 **WHEREAS,** If Poland becomes authoritarian, European and international security will
8 be threatened; and

9 **WHEREAS,** The European Union refuses to punish Poland for its blatant
10 violations of international law; now, therefore, be it

11 **RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled call on the Polish government
12 to enact comprehensive electoral and judicial reform to restore democratic
13 processes; and, be it

14 **FURTHER RESOLVED,** That if the Polish government does not enact necessary
15 reforms within six months, the United States will pursue broad trade sanctions
 against Poland.

Respectfully submitted,

Ray Crist, Walt Whitman High School

Resolution # 577

A resolution to ban sale of guns in United States of America

1. WHEREAS: there have been a multitude of gun
2. related deaths in the United States
3. WHEREAS: the safety of the general public is put at stake
4. WHEREAS: innocent lives are lost and mass
5. hysteria is induced
6. THEREFORE: by this Congress here assembled that the United States
7. should ban the sale of firearms throughout the United States to
promote a future where our country is a safer place.

Respectfully submitted

Shehrez Chaudhri, Walt Whitman High School

Bill #596

A Bill to Deregulate Licensing Requirements

1. Article I: Occupational licensing programs in all sectors of the economy are hereby
2. abolished. Federal, State, and local level ordinances related to these programs are
3. abolished under the jurisdiction of the commerce clause. In their place, practitioners will
4. freely be able to perform the duties necessary in their jobs save for those specified by
5. other laws, like legal representation in court.
6. Article II: Occupational licensing programs refer to requiring individuals obtain a
7. government license in order to perform a specific action. These can range from nurse
8. practitioners needing a doctor's signature to prescribe certain medicines to needing a
9. license to cut hair or whiten teeth.
10. Article III: This legislation will come into effect on January 1st, 2019.
11. Article IV: The Departments of Commerce and Labor will oversee this legislation
12. Article V: All laws in conflict with this new policy shall hereby be
13. declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

Byron Ma, Walt Whitman High School

Resolution # 1270

A Resolution To Increase NASA's Climate Research Funding

- Whereas: The National Aeronautic Space Administration, henceforth known as NASA, has a wide variety of tools currently available to carry out basic climate and geoscience research; and
- Whereas: NASA's climate research has given us an incredibly detailed picture of our climate and our earth, and enabled us to better understand our effect on our surroundings; and
- Whereas: Now more than ever, it is crucial that NASA have the resources it needs to continue climate research and help the federal government and other policy makers in the fight against climate change.
- Therefore: Be it resolved by this Student Congress here assembled that: The United States Congress shall allocate increased funding to NASA to conduct climate and geoscience research.

Respectfully submitted,

Sidwell Friends School

Bill #1279

A Bill to Decriminalize Marijuana

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Article I: The United States shall decriminalize the possession of marijuana.

Article II: Decriminalization of marijuana is defined as the removal of criminal penalties for possession of quantities of marijuana deemed allowable for personal use. Possession of marijuana in commercial quantities shall remain criminal unless the marijuana is sold through a licensed dispensary.

Article III: The Department of Justice shall oversee the implementation of this bill.

Article IV: This bill shall go into effect 3 months after its passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Harry Kay

Sidwell Friends School

Resolution #1261

A Resolution To Take Action Against Gerrymandering

Whereas: Gerrymandering—the practice of drawing electoral districts to the unfair advantage of one party—has increased political polarization and has made compromise on critical state and federal issues impossible; and

Whereas: Several states have found that gerrymandering violates voters’ rights to freely associate with the political party of their choice and express the political preferences they support; and

Whereas: Presently, statistical tools exist to precisely quantify the extent of gerrymandering and several states have successfully implemented non-partisan methods of redrawing their electoral districts.

Therefore: Be it resolved by this Student Congress here assembled that: The United States Congress shall order states to redraw all electoral districts in a non-partisan manner before the 2018 Midterm elections, and Congress shall provide monetary aid to states to complete the task.

Respectfully submitted,

Rahul Gupta

Sidwell Friends School

Resolution #1263

A Resolution to Offer Amnesty to Undocumented Immigrants Residing in the United States

Whereas: There are approximately 12.5 million undocumented immigrants living in
the U.S. today; and

Whereas: A majority of these immigrants have resided in the U.S. for years, during
which they have positively impacted our economy and paid taxes; and

Whereas: It would be unrealistic and inhumane to deport all undocumented
immigrants currently residing in the U.S.

Therefore: Be it resolved by this Student Congress here assembled that: amnesty be
granted to undocumented immigrants who meet specified requirements.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jasmin Perrier

Sidwell Friends School

Bill #1282

A Bill to Amend the Constitution To Mandate a Balanced Budget

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Article I: Any budget passed by Congress must without exception ensure that total outlays for any fiscal year do not exceed total receipts for that fiscal year.

Article II: Total receipts include all receipts of the United States Government except those derived from borrowing. Total outlays include all outlays of the United States Government except those that are used to repay debt.

Article III: All future annual federal budgets must be balanced.

Article IV: The Department of the Treasury, the Congressional Budget Office, the Executive Branch and the Congress of the United States will oversee the implementation of this legislation. The legislation will not retroactively impact the operating budget for the 2018-2019 fiscal year.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicolas Pastor

Sidwell Friends School

Resolution #1264

A Resolution to Effect the Movement of the US Embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem

Whereas: President Trump has announced a plan to move the U.S. embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem;
and

Whereas: President Trump has signed into law the Jerusalem Embassy Act which prohibits the move for at
least 180 days; and

Whereas: This move will support our ally Israel and further U.S. strategic interests in the Middle East.

Therefore: Be resolved by this Student Congress here assembled that: This United States government shall
take all steps necessary to relocate our embassy as of June 1, 2018.

Respectfully Submitted,

Avi Evans

Sidwell Friends School

Bill #1289

A Bill to Rejoin the Trans-Pacific Partnership

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Article I: The United States will re-enter into negotiations to enter the Trans-Pacific Partnership, an agreement critical to maintaining American influence and the influence of America's partners in Asia.

Article II: The United States will recognize all current protocols pursuant to the TPP.

Article III: This legislation shall go into effect upon its passage.

Article IV: The United States Trade Representative, the Department of Commerce and the Congress shall oversee the implementation of this legislation.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicholas Polansky

Sidwell Friends School

Resolution #1262

A Resolution to Make Immunizations Mandatory

Whereas: Immunizations have been proven to work well and efficiently; and

Whereas: Not vaccinating children puts everyone at risk of contracting
contagious illnesses; and

Whereas: Vaccines are not linked to the severe illnesses that are commonly thought
to be associated with immunization.

Therefore: Be it resolved by this Student Congress here assembled that: immunizations shall be
made mandatory except in cases where a vaccine would endanger the life of the child due
to allergic or other reactions making vaccination untenable or requiring vaccination to be
postponed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Elena Salinas

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