

## A Resolution to Prevent Voter Fraud

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**WHEREAS**, Voter fraud is an issue that is rigging our national voting system by interfering with the election process, and;

**WHEREAS**, According to Pure Research Center, 3% of votes in the 2012 presidential election were illegitimate, harming our nation's democracy, and;

**WHEREAS**, Voter fraud can be easily acquired by impersonation, registration fraud, forgery, bribery, counterfeiting, and other criminal offenses, leading to a skew in the election process, and, therefore be it;

**RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that: the United States Federal Government addresses voter fraud within our electoral college system by making states require Voter Identification.

*This bill is respectfully submitted by Amy Guo from East Ridge High School for Congressional Debate*

# **A Bill to Adjust Minor Drug Crime Incarceration**

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

**SECTION 1.** Prison overpopulation is resulting in severe degradation of facilities.

**SECTION 2.** Long-term incarceration for minor drug crimes is not a suitable punishment, and only exacerbates the overpopulation process.

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

A. 30% of offenders with the lowest degree of severity within their respective crime will be released from incarceration. Further ruling of these offenses will be determined accordingly.

B. Any minor drug offense not found suitable for incarceration under this legislation will result in a fine determined by the standards of the Department of Justice

**SECTION 4.** This bill will take effect on January 1st of 2017

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Maple Grove Senior High School*

# **A Bill to Move the Poverty Line**

*Rep. Victoria Halvorson*

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1.** The United States government shall redetermine the poverty guidelines in order to

improve the standard of living.

**SECTION 2.** The Poverty Guideline is defined as the calculation that determines where the

poverty line is set.

**SECTION 3.** The current poverty guidelines were set in 1963 and do not accurately allocate for

modern society.

**SECTION 4.** The Department of Health and Human Services will oversee the research needed

to fully implement the new calculation.

**SECTION 5.** The bill will be implemented in February 2018.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Maple Grove Senior High.*

## **A Resolution to Raise Teachers Minimum Wage**

*Rep. Erica Teixeira*

**WHEREAS**, Teachers provide a future for students to be successful regardless your social class and play an important part in people's lives;

**WHEREAS**, The rate of people wanting to pursue teaching has gone down significantly over the years, partially due to average teacher income;

**WHEREAS**, The current average pay is \$56,310 and will be raised to \$80,000;

**WHEREAS**, This bill will be implemented one year after passage;

**WHEREAS**, All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT  
TEACHERS MINIMUM WAGE WILL RISE.**

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Maple Grove.*

**A Resolution to Establish and Refurnish Gun Control Laws in Order to Decrease Mass Shootings in the United States.**

**Whereas,** The United States has encountered dangerous threats due to the misleading use of guns; and

**Whereas,** Many innocent citizens have been harmed due to these tragic events; and

**Whereas,** Some of these mass shootings have been linked to groups and/or individuals that promote terrorism. Now, therefore, be it,

**Resolved,** By this Congress that the United States of America set up more effective legislation that will serve as a means to protect US citizens as for now and future generations to come; all for the goal of decreasing mass shootings.

Introduced for debate by Eagan High School

**A Bill to Replace the Electoral College System in Favour of the Ranked  
Choice Voting System**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1.** The electoral college will be replaced with the ranked choice voting system.

**SECTION 2.**

A. The electoral college system will be defined as the body of elected officials representing the United States, who formally cast votes for the election of president and vice president.

B. The ranked choice voting system will be defined as a method of voting that allows voters to rank candidates in order of preference.

**SECTION 3.** The Secretaries of State in individual states will administer and enforce this change. Individual counties will be mandated to bring ballots into compliance with this law.

**SECTION 4.** Each individual state will pass this legislation into effect one year before Election Day 2020, to allow for full implementation for the 2020 presidential election.

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

*Introduced by North Lakes Academy*