

**Congress Docket
Edward Little High School
November 12, 2016**

**1) A Bill to Declare War on the Democratic People's Republic of
Korea**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1. SECTION 1:** The United States Military is hereby ordered to begin operations to deploy
- 2.** servicemen and women into the Upper Korean Peninsula.
- 3. SECTION 1A:** U.S. Allies in the region are also ordered to contribute supplies to aid this
- 4.** conflict.
- 5. SECTION 1B:** "Supplies" shall be defined as ammunition, military personnel, and medical
- 6.** equipment.
- 7. SECTION 2:** The State Department shall oversee this piece of legislation as well as
- 8.** enter diplomatic negotiations with China and see to it they do not assist North Korea in any
- 9.** way, shape, or form.
- 10. SECTION 3:** The main objective of this conflict will be to extract the dictator Kim
- 11.** Jong-Un from his current position and disarm the nation of any and all nuclear warheads.
- 12. SECTION 4:** The Department of Defense shall oversee this piece of legislation.
- 13. SECTION 5:** This legislation shall be made effective immediately upon passage.
- 14. SECTION 6.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by ELHS, Maine District

2) A Resolution to Recognize the District of Columbia as New Columbia

- 1. WHEREAS**, the population of Washington D.C. exceeds that of multiple U.S. States and
- 2. WHEREAS**, the District of Columbia is the most densely populated area in the United States
- 3. And WHEREAS**, thousands of Americans living in Washington D.C. are essentially taxed
- 4. without** having any real representation or say in this Congress;
- 5. Therefore be it RESOLVED**, By the Student Congress here assembled that the United
- 6. States** moves forward with legislation not only to recognize the District of Columbia as New
- 7. Columbia**, but also for New Columbia to reclaim the neighboring cities of Alexandria
- 8. and Arlington** so that the territory it covers would be geometric diamond as it originally
- 9. was** when the District was founded in 1790 and be allowed the appropriate amount of
- 10. senators** and house representatives.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Bilal Hussein, ELHS, Maine District

3) A Resolution to Update America's Voting Machines

- 1. WHEREAS**, a majority of all voting machines in most states are out-of-date and,
- 2. WHEREAS**, these machines have been showing their age and,
- 3. WHEREAS**, the last time the federal government used money (\$2 billion USD) for new
- 4. machines** was from 1995-2005. Therefore be it
- 5. RESOLVED**, That the Congress here assembled allocate \$4 billion USD to states that have
- 6. unreliable** and/or archaic voting machines.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Bilal Hussein, ELHS, Maine District

4) A Resolution to Eliminate the “Victory Tax” on Olympic Medalists

1. **WHEREAS**, athletes who compete in the Olympics for Team USA have a shot at winning
2. Gold, Silver, and Bronze medals as well as cash winnings and,
3. **WHEREAS**, many of these winnings are subject to be taxed as income and,
4. **WHEREAS**, a majority of countries have exempt the cash winnings and medals to be treated
5. as income; therefore be it
6. **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled work to propose appropriate legislation to
7. amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to eliminate the tax on Olympic medals won by
8. American athletes.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by ELHS, Maine District

5) A Resolution to Halt the Construction of the Dakota Access Pipeline

1. **WHEREAS**, the already proposed \$3.8 billion pipeline will cover over 1200 miles of ground
2. most of which are Native American reservation camps and,
3. **WHEREAS**, the pipeline does pass over the drinking water supply of over 8000 tribal
4. members and, **WHEREAS**, the construction of this pipeline has desecrated many ancient
5. burial sites and ancient artifacts belong to the Native Americans; therefore be it
6. **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled work to put a halt on any and all construction
7. of the Dakota Access Pipeline until appropriate legislation is proposed to meet the needs of
8. the Native American Reservation Camps.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by ELHS, Maine District

6) A Bill to Enact a Purple Paint Law

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1. Section 1:** A purple paint mark on a fence or tree will carry the same legal significance as
2. “No Trespassing” signs.
- 3. Section 2A:** The purple mark must be vertical as well as be at least 8 inches long by 1 inch
4. wide and be placed 3 to 5 feet from the ground.
- 5. Section 2B:** The marks must be placed no more than 100 feet apart in wooded area and no
6. more than 1000 feet apart in open land.
- 7. Section 2C:** Trespassing will be defined as being on a property without the landowner’s
8. permission.
- 9. Section 3:** Local law enforcement will be responsible for enforcing this bill.
- 10. Section 4:** This will take effect on January 1st 2017
- 11. Section 5:** All law in conflict with this bill are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced by Sarah Harvey, Medomak Valley High School, Maine District

7) A Resolution to Encourage NATO to Remove U.S. Nukes from Turkey

- 1. WHEREAS,** The United States currently has nuclear weapons in Turkey that are being put
2. At risk, as the country is unstable, and
- 3. WHEREAS,** The nuclear weapons serve no strategic purpose, because both the U.S. and
4. Turkey don’t have certified aircraft to carry the weapons, and
- 5. WHEREAS,** Keeping the nukes in Turkey could greatly harm the security of the U.S. and
6. The world, and
- 7. RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled recommend to NATO that they remove
8. U.S. nukes from Turkey

Introduced by Caroline Baldacci, Bangor High School, Maine District

8) The Compassionate Access, Research Expansion, and Respect States Act

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1. SECTION 1.** The United States government shall allow states to set their own medical
- 2.** marijuana policies.
- 3. SECTION 2.** The government shall reclassify marijuana as a Schedule 2 drug in the Drug
- 4.** Enforcement Agency's five category drug classification system.
- 5. SECTION 3.** The U.S. shall remove the CBD strains, used to treat epilepsy and seizure
- 6.** disorders, from the federal definition of marijuana.
- 7. SECTION 4.** The federal government shall allow doctors working for the Department of
- 8.** Veterans Affairs in states where medical marijuana is legal to recommend it for certain
- 9.** condition.
- 10. SECTION 5.** The government shall permit financial services and banking for marijuana
- 11.** dispensaries.
- 12. SECTION 6.** Public or private research that sanctioned by the government shall be
- 13.** exempted from federal criminal laws concerning the use or possession of marijuana.
- 14. SECTION 7.** The Drug Enforcement Agency shall oversee the implementation of this bill.
- 15. SECTION 8.** This law shall go into effect on January 1, 2017.
- 16. SECTION 9.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced by Caroline Baldacci, Bangor High School, Maine District

9) A Resolution to Fight Against Opioid Addiction

1. **WHEREAS**, Currently, the United States Drug Enforcement Administration aims to place
2. the drug Kratom on the schedule 1 controlled substance list.
3. **WHEREAS**, Research on Kratom is still ongoing and has the potential to be used for
4. treatment of opioid addiction.
5. **WHEREAS**, Placing Kratom under the schedule 1 controlled substance list will prevent
6. important research from being done and prevent sensible regulations from being enacted.
7. **RESOLVED**, That the Congress here assembled encourages the DEA to not classify Kratom
8. as a schedule 1 controlled substance and encourages more research for Kratom.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Scarborough High School, Maine District

10) The Affordable College Act of 2017

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. **SECTION 1:** The College for All Act of 2015, introduced by Senator Bernie Sanders (I-VT)
2. Is hereby placed into effect.
3. **SECTION 2:** Any and all laws in conflict with this bill are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Scarborough High School, Maine District

11) Resolution to Lower the National Minimum Drinking Age

1. **WHEREAS**, Raising the drinking age to 21 has failed to reduce the drinking of those under 21
2. **WHEREAS**, Significantly more underage teens consumed alcohol upon raising the drinking
3. age compared to those of legal age
4. **WHEREAS**, Those below the legal age have illegally consumed alcohol in a harmful, life-
5. endangering manner; and
6. **WHEREAS**, 18-year-olds have the right to vote, purchase guns, marry, and join the military,
7. and serve on a jury, but they are not permitted to consume alcohol; now,
8. therefore, be it **RESOLVED**, that the federal drinking age be moved to 18

Respectfully Submitted by Representative Kinnon McGrath, Cape Elizabeth HS, Maine District