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Prelims

**A BILL TO ENCOURAGE NATO ALLIES TO MEET FINANCIAL
RESPONSIBILITIES**

1. **SECTION 1:** The United States will withdraw from NATO unless the 23 NATO
2. countries that
3. are not spending the agreed 2% of their GDP on national defense
4. pay the necessary amount within the next two years.

5. **SECTION 2:** Any country that demonstrate a financial inability to meet their financial
6. obligation under the NATO agreement may submit alternative payment plans.

7. **SECTION 3:** The Department of State will oversee the implementation of this bill

8. **SECTION 4:** This act will take effect immediately after the passage

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

Respectfully Submitted,
St. Joseph Hill Academy

A Bill to Establish a Bi-Partisan, Government-led News Source

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

2 **Section 1.** A Bi-Partisan U.S. news source led by the government is hereby established.

3 **Section 2.** This news source shall be made for the purpose of providing unbiased, factual news
4 about national and international occurrences.

5 **A.** The news source is to include a television channel, a radio station, a newspaper and a website.

6 **B.** The news source is to be composed of journalists, reporters, technical engineers, broadcasters,
7 an editor-in-chief, writers, designers and any other necessary workers.

8 **C.** \$180,000,000 will be the initial funding for the first year of operation, followed by
9 \$160,000,000 of annual funding.

10 **D.** This Congress will provide more or less funding yearly as is required to accommodate the
11 agency's spending within 5% of the previous year's budget.

12 **Section 3.** The Federal Communications Commission will be responsible for the
13 implementation of this legislation.

14 **A.** The FCC will evaluate workers for their political beliefs and then create a worker pool with
15 people of varying political beliefs.

16 **B.** The FCC will also check all publications, broadcasts and articles to ensure that no political bias
17 was involved in their production.

18 **C.** All workers whose involvement in publications indicate bias or false information will be
19 reprimanded.

20 **Section 4.** This law shall be enacted within 6 months of passing.

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

Respectfully Submitted by Christ the King High School

**A BILL TO TAX AUTOMATED EMPLOYEES TO
CLOSE THE SKILLS GAP**

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A federal tax shall be placed on any business that replaces a human

3 employee with an automated employee.

4 A. Businesses that utilize profits to train and educate displaced workers

5 will be exempt from the federal tax and may be eligible for tax credits

6 depending upon the percentage of profits shared.

7 B. This federal tax will go into effect after businesses have recouped the

8 cost of the automated employee.

9 **SECTION 2.** “Automated employee” will be defined as any machine, computer, or non-

10 human entity that performs jobs previously done by a human employee at

11 that business. “Displaced worker” will be defined as worker who loses

12 their job because of the introduction of the “automated employee.”

13 **SECTION 3.** The Internal Revenue Service will oversee the implementation of this

14 legislation.

15 A. The Internal Revenue Service shall also decide what constitutes an

16 automated employee in any case of obscurity or contest.

17 B. The tax shall be decided based on the income bracket of the former

18 human employees that the “automated employee” has replaced.

19 **SECTION 4.** This bill will take effect at the beginning of Fiscal Year 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Nathaniel Hylton
Collegiate School*

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Abolish the Electoral College

1. **RESOLVED,** By two-thirds of the Congress here assembled, that the following
2. article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States,
3. which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when
4. ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states within seven
5. years from the date of its submission by the Congress:
6. **SECTION 1:** The Constitution of the United States is hereby amended as
7. follows:
8. The Electoral College will no longer be a in effect and the Presidential
9. candidate will no longer be elected by the Electoral college, but by the
10. popular vote of the registered voters of America.
11. **SECTION 2:** The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by
12. appropriate legislation.
13. **SECTION 3:** This law will take effect in the election 2020.
14. **SECTION 4:** All laws in conflict with this piece of legislation are hereby
15. declared null and void.

Introduced by Sacred Heart Greenwich

A BILL TO ABOLISH SOLITARY CONFINEMENT IN FEDERAL PRISONS

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Officials of the Bureau of Prisons and the Department of Justice may not
3 employ solitary confinement, as defined in this legislation, for the
4 punishment or control of prisoners under their custody.

5 **SECTION 2.** A. For purposes of this legislation, “solitary confinement” is here defined
6 as the holding of a person in isolation in a prison cell, detention room or
7 other enclosed, contained area against their will for more than 12 hours
8 per day for more than three consecutive days in any three month period.

9 B. A prisoner’s contact with Bureau of Prison employees for purposes of
10 receiving meals or the taking of exercise in isolation shall not be deemed
11 as sufficient relief of isolation to constitute compliance with this
12 legislation.

13 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice and the Bureau of Prisons shall administer this
14 legislation.

15 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect immediately on enactment.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Christopher Lombardi
Msg. Farrell High School*

A Bill to Implement Paid Menstrual Leave for Federal Employees

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Federal Government will mandate that the option to take paid
3 menstrual leave will be made available for all federal employees experiencing regular
4 menstruation.

5 **SECTION 2.** A. "Paid menstrual leave" is defined as 1 day of paid leave each month.

6 B. "Regular menstruation" is defined as 12 menstrual periods per year.

7 C. Eligibility for employees younger than 50 is contingent on medical documentation to be
8 submitted every five years indicating that they are regularly menstruating.

9 D. Eligibility for employees 50 and older is contingent on medical documentation to be
10 submitted every year indicating that they are regularly menstruating.

11 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Labor will oversee implementation
12 of this legislation.

13 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect in January 2019.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Achievement First Brooklyn High School

A Bill to Require Photo Identification to Vote in National Elections

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. Voters must present a valid state or federal photo identification to participate in national elections.

SECTION 2. A. National elections will be defined as votes cast for senators, representatives, and the president. Accepted identifications will include a passport, driver's license, valid school ID, identification used for welfare, Medicaid, Medicare, and food stamps, a state identification, and a Voter ID.

B. A Voter ID will be distributed through a new program that will be enacted by every State Election Board that will distribute IDs solely for the purpose of voting to voters for a fee of \$50. If one's family income is below \$25,000 annually, these IDs will be free of charge. To secure an ID, a candidate must be over 18 years of age and be a registered United States citizen. The process of securing one of the ID's includes taking a photo and filling out paperwork at a local post office. The photo and paperwork will then be sent to the respective State Election Board office for approval. These IDs will be valid for 16 years, have a photo, name, and address.

SECTION 3. The respective State Election Boards will be responsible for enforcing this legislation.

A. Temporary officials representing each State Election Board will be stationed at each voting area to check identification during the elections

SECTION 4. This law will be enacted 30 days after its passage.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Pleasantville High School

A Bill to Require All Public Middle Schools and High Schools in the United States to Have a Gender Neutral Restroom

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Every public middle school and high school in the United States must have
3 at least one single occupancy gender neutral restroom per 200 students by January 1 of 2022

6 **SECTION 2.** Schools with specific religious affiliations are exempt from this requirement in
7 respect of religious freedom.

8 **SECTION 3.** All students are free to use this restroom regardless of gender identity or sex.

9 **SECTION 4.** Any necessary construction funds must be negotiated into school district budgets.

10 **SECTION 5.** A security guard or monitor must be stationed within twenty feet of each restroom at
all times.

11 **SECTION 6.** There must be a lock on each restroom door.

12 **SECTION 7.** This bill shall be implemented immediately.

13 **SECTION 8.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Respectfully introduced for Congressional Debate by
Angelina Rosa, Pelham Memorial High School*

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** The US government will subsidize child care for any child under 5 years old
2 belonging to a family at or below the federal poverty level

3 **SECTION 2.** A subsidy will defined as a sum of money used to pay for child care. Child
4 care will be defined as any program that oversees children during the day

5 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Health and Human Services will oversee the
6 implementation and funding of such subsidies

7 A. This department will be given 40 billion dollars in funding for the
8 subsidies

9 B. The Department of Justice in conjunction with the Department of
10 Health and Human Services will oversee the safety of child care
11 services

12 **SECTION 4.** The bill be implemented at the beginning of the fiscal year of 2019

13 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
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Introduced for Congressional Debate by Lily O'Sullivan of The Bronx Highschool of Science.

A BILL TO COUNTER CHINESE AGGRESSION IN CHINA

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States will take measures to counter Chinese aggression in
3 Asia. The United States will give 500 million dollars in economic aid and
4 500 million dollars in military aid to Brunei, Malaysia, the Philippines and
5 Taiwan. The United States 7th Fleet will conduct military exercises in the
6 South China Sea

7 **SECTION 2.** Economic Aid will be defined as aid used to stimulate an economy or
8 provide assistance to an economy. Military aid will be defined as
9 weapons, supplies or money given to buy weapons or supplies. Military
10 exercises will be defined as the employment of military resources in
11 training for military operations.

12 **SECTION 3.** USAID will oversee the allocation of economic aid. The United States
13 Department of Defense will oversee military aid. The US Navy will
14 oversee the military exercises conducted.

15 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect immediately
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17 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Rahul Mepani
Syosset High School*

**A Bill to Require Photo Identification to
Vote in National Elections in the United States of America**

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

2 **Section 1.** The United States will require photo identification for all individuals
3 voting in national elections.

4 **Section 2.** Photo identification shall be defined as a government issued identity document
5 that includes a photograph of the holder.

6 **Section 3.** The Civil Rights division of the Department of Justice shall oversee the
7 implementation of this bill.

8 **Section 4.** This legislation shall be implemented immediately upon passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Brett Rejwan

Half Hollow Hills High School East

A Bill to Outfit Police Officers with Body-Cameras

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The federal government shall incentivize law enforcement agencies to outfit
3 their officers with body-camera technology.

4 **SECTION 2.** “Law enforcement agencies” (LEOs) shall be defined as all state & local
5 agencies with police power.

6 **SECTION 3.** The President Shall appoint, with the consent of the Senate, five members
7 to a Commission on Law Enforcement Modernization (CLEM).

8 A. CLEM shall oversee the disbursement of funds to state and local law
9 enforcement organizations for the purchase and installation of body
10 cameras for their officers. The Commission shall be funded at a rate of
11 \$200 million per year over the next 10 years, with any unused money
12 rolling over into the next year.

13 B. The funds shall be used to match spending by LEOs on body cameras
14 and any costs associated with their acquisition.

15 C. Beginning 5 years after the enactment of this bill, any LEO that is
16 deemed by CLEM not to be in the process of outfitting eligible officers
17 with body cameras shall be subject to a reduction in the total value of
18 any extant or scheduled federal subsidies by up to 50%. This includes,
19 but is not limited to, the possible repossession of any equipment that
20 has been bestowed by the federal government to said LEOs.

21 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go into effect on January 1, 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Xavier High School

A Bill to Increase Aid to Kurdish Forces

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED

2. **THAT: Section 1.** The United States immediately enact regular military, medical, and

3. relevant aid in-kind to aforementioned Kurdish forces.

4. **Section 1A.** Regular shall hereby be defined as periodical, the frequency of which shall be determined by this Congress.

5. **Section 1B.** These funds are to be used for two reasons exclusively: to sustain the Kurdish forces and to combat IS.

6. **Section 1C.** This aid shall not be permitted to exceed \$500 million annually.

7. **Section 2.** U.S aid to Turkey shall be increased by 100% of its current value, bringing

8. the total U.S aid to approximately \$50 million.

9. **Section 2A.** This aid will be contingent on the Turkish government using these
10. funds to combat IS.

11. **Section 3.** Should either side conflict with or aggress against the other, funding to that

12. side will be cut by 50% per incident.

13. **Section 3A.** 3 or more conflicts from one side will lead to a complete withdrawal
14. of U.S funds from that side exclusively.

15. **Section 4.** This bill will go into effect on June 1, 2017.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

St. Francis Prep

A BILL TO WITHHOLD FEDERAL FUNDS FROM ‘SANCTUARY CITIES’

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

2. **SECTION 1.** “Sanctuary cities” shall be defined as United States cities which fail to
3. properly work with federal authorities in enforcing immigration law by means that
4. include municipalities forbidding police attention to a resident’s illegal status and/or
5. municipalities choosing to allow access of government programs to undocumented
6. immigrants.

7. **SECTION 2.** Therefore, be it resolved, that (A) the United States Department of
8. Homeland Security label all American cities which fit the outlined criteria as sanctuary
9. cities by January 1, 2018.

10. **SECTION 3.** Effective immediately thereafter, (B) the federal appropriations for FY18
11. will impose an 8% decrease in federal funding on each sanctuary city which continues its
12. unlawful activities prior to the DOHS’s qualitative determination.

13. **SECTION 4.** Municipality cuts to the city’s public safety budget larger than 5% or
14. municipal employee firings of more than 5% of its workforce in FY18 by the affected
15. municipalities will result in the withholding of an additional 2% of federal funding to the
16. city.

17. **SECTION 5.** The Office of Management and Budget will oversee the implementation of
18. this legislation.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher Boccia of Chaminade High School

A Bill to End Russian Sanctions

- 1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
- 2 **SECTION 1.** All economic sanctions imposed by this United States of America on the
- 3 Russian Federation shall be terminated.
- 4 **SECTION 2.** “Economic sanctions” shall be defined as the withdrawal of customary trade
- 5 and financial relations for foreign interests and security purposes.
- 6 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall be implemented immediately after passage.
- 7 **SECTION 4.** The Department of State shall oversee implementation of this legislation.
- 8 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

Xaverian High School

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A BILL TO INCREASE THE USE OF RENEWABLE ENERGY

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. A. It shall be the goal of the United States that seventy-five (75) percent of the electricity consumed by all residents, institutions, businesses, agencies, and other entities operating within its borders be obtained from renewable energy sources by the year 2050.

B. To this end, any business deriving at least seventy-five (75) percent of its annual energy consumption from renewable sources as defined herein shall receive a one hundred (100) percent abatement of its corporate income taxes due to the United States for that same tax year.

C. The abatement set forth in Section 1(B) of this legislation shall be available to any business for up to ten (10) tax years, which need not be consecutive.

SECTION 2. For purposes of this legislation, “renewable energy” shall include energy generated from solar, wind, and geothermal sources.

SECTION 3. This legislation shall be implemented by the following agencies:

A. The Department of the Treasury, which shall implement the tax abatement;

B. The Department of Energy which is hereby given rulemaking authority to define standards for the calculation of energy usage and generation.

SECTION 4. This legislation shall take effect immediately upon enactment.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Christopher Lombardi
Msgr. Farrell High School*

A Bill to Establish Puerto Rican Independence

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The United States shall grant Puerto Rico its sovereignty and establish Puerto Rico as an independent nation over the course of a 10 year transition period. During said transition period, the United States will:

- A. Absolve 100% of Puerto Rico's current debt deficit.
- B. Restore the Rum Tax Revenue Cover Over
- C. Eliminate the Merchant Marine Act of 1920.
- D. Grant Puerto Rico Most Favored Nation trading status
- E. Invest \$3 billion dollars into capital investment for the Puerto Rican economy

SECTION 2. The following section provides specific clarification of relevant regulation:

- A. The Rum Tax Revenue Cover Over is an excise tax of \$13.25 per proof-gallon, where the revenue collected is then transferred to the Puerto Rican government.
- B. The Merchant Marine Act requires waterborne cargo between two points in the United States to be transported on vessels that are American built, owned and operated.
- C. Capital Investment shall be defined as investment in infrastructure, tourism, and manufacturing development within Puerto Rico.

SECTION 3. The United States State Department and the United States Department of the Treasury shall work in conjunction with the Puerto Rican government to oversee the implementation of this legislation.

SECTION 4. This legislation shall go into effect immediately upon passage.

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

Respectfully Submitted for Congressional Debate,
Sabrina Raouf

A Resolution to Reform the Poverty Line

1. **Whereas:** The means of determining the poverty line in America are extremely
2. ineffective and outdated;
3. **Whereas:** These means also don't consider the varying economies and financial
4. standing of different states;
5. **Whereas:** Many social security and welfare programs rely heavily on the poverty line
6. to determine their recipients
7. **Therefore be it resolved by this congress assembled here that:** The Poverty line in
8. the U.S. shall be reformed and this reformation shall take into account modern day
9. living expenses and varying economic climates in different states
10. **Be it further resolved that:** All social security and welfare programs dependent on
11. the poverty line as well as the federal minimum wage shall adjust their recipients and
12. their aid based on this new poverty line.

Respectfully Submitted,

St. Francis Prep

A BILL TO MANDATE GREEN ENERGY

1. **SECTION 1:** Any building that is owned or occupied by the federal government with
2. the capacity to hold over 100 people must switch 50% of it's energy to solar and or wind
3. power within the next year.
4. **SECTION 2:** Any facility that doesn't comply with this legislation will receive a 5% cut
5. in government funding.
6. **SECTION 3:** Funding for this legislation will come from the Department of Energy's
7. budget
8. **SECTION 4:** The Department of Energy shall oversee the implementation of this bill.
9. **SECTION 5:** This act will take effect 6 months after the date of passage
10. **SECTION 6:** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted,
St. Joseph Hill Academy

A BILL TO BAN THE USAGE OF PRIVATE MILITARY CONTRACTORS

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. **SECTION 1.** Private military contractors (PMCs) may no longer be utilized by the
2. US Department of Defense.
3. **SECTION 2.** Private military contractors (PMCs) will be defined as companies
4. that engage in armed security services. These armed security services include but are
5. not limited to combat missions, provision of protective services, security advice and planning,
6. prison administration, interrogation, and intelligence gathering.
7. **SECTION 3.** A. The Congressional Armed Services Committee shall oversee the
8. implementation
9. of this bill.
10. B. The Congressional Armed Services Committee will make cuts to the Department
11. of Defense budget by the specific amount spent on missions that continue to utilize
12. private military contractors (PMCs).
13. **SECTION 4.** This law will take effect within one year of passage.
14. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Rahul Mepani
Syosset High School*

A BILL TO END TENURE IN THE U.S. PUBLIC GRAMMAR SCHOOLS AND HIGH SCHOOLS

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Education tenure shall be eliminated in the contracts of all teachers and be
3 replaced with annually renewed contracts between the teacher and the
4 school or school district.

5 **SECTION 2.** “Education Tenure” shall be defined as a permanent position or an “ever
6 green” contract granted to a staff member in an education facility.

7 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Education will oversee the implementation of this
8 policy. Any school or school district which fails to implement this policy
9 will lose 50% of its federal education funding.

10 **SECTION 4.** This policy will take place for teachers hired for the 2017/2018 school
11 year.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Rory Mahon
Chaminade High School*

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A Resolution to Amend the Constitution and Enact Congressional Term Limits

1 **WHEREAS,** Senators and Representatives can serve an unlimited amount of terms.

2 **WHEREAS,** Therefore it is necessary to limit the terms served by Senators and
3 Representatives.

4 **WHEREAS,** Unlimited Congressional terms causes an inclination for politicians to serve
5 special interests and promotes a disconnect between Congress and the citizens.

6 **WHEREAS,** The terms of the Presidency are limited, and henceforth so should the terms of
7 Congress.

8 **RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled make the following recommendation that
9 members of the United States Senate will now be restricted to serving a maximum
10 of 2 6-year terms and that members of the United States House of Representatives
11 will now be restricted to serving 6 2-year terms.

12 *Introduced for Congressional Debate by Pleasantville High School*

A Resolution to Make the Media More Transparent

1 **Whereas:** Many media outlets have come under fire for publishing what is considered to be
2 biased news by civilians and officials alike; and

3 **Whereas:** Many readers, viewers and listeners are unsure as to which media outlets to trust,
4 negatively impacting the reputation of the media overall; and

5 **Whereas:** The reason many persons consider news to be fake or biased is because the source
6 fails to disclose its affiliations and views;

7 **Therefore be it resolved by this congress assembled here that:** All official media agencies be
8 required to clearly disclose their political beliefs and affiliations on their website or news service;
9 and

10 **Be it further resolved that:** All media agencies that fail to provide their political beliefs will
11 receive sanctions including, but not limited to: Revoking of press passes and barring from
12 official media events; and

13 **Be it further resolved that:** A bipartisan and multi-cultural committee will determine whether
14 the disclosure accurately represents the media outlet's publications and broadcasts.

Submitted for Student Congress by Christ the King High School

THE COLLEGE FOR ALL ACT

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

2 **SECTION 1.** S.1373 – the College for All Act is hereby passed.

3 **SECTION 2.** The College for All Act makes college tuition free in public universities.

4 To fund this a .1% transaction tax shall be put on all stock and securities
5 transfers.

6 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Education shall oversee this act.

7 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into on January 1st, 2020

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

Respectfully submitted,

Xaverian High School

The Comprehensive Immigration Reform Act of 2017

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Congress shall set aside an additional \$5 billion per year for a period of 10
3 years with which to increase the budgets of the departments of
4 Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and U.S. Customs and
5 Border Patrol (CBP), in order to add manpower and improve enforcement
6 of existing immigration law, and to better patrol the border.

7 **A.** Congress shall specifically deny funds for a “wall” along the border
8 with Mexico, excepting only intermittent fences or barriers where the
9 Department of Homeland Security (DHS) deems prudent.

10 **SECTION 2.** The DHS shall expand by 25% the maximum number of slots for both
11 temporary work visas, and lawful permanent residency (or green cards)
12 per year.

13 **SECTION 3.** Persons currently residing illegally in the U.S. who qualified for
14 consideration under Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA)
15 shall, additionally, be eligible to receive lawful permanent residency.

16 **SECTION 4.** The legislation shall take effect October 1, 2017.

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

Submitted for Congressional debate by Xavier High School.

A Bill to Counter Boko Haram to Stabilize and Protect Western Africa

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. **SECTION 1.** The United States will provide humanitarian and
2. developmental aid to improve programs to assist internally displaced
3. persons to Nigeria.
4. **SECTION 2.** Humanitarian aid shall be defined as a sum of money
5. designed to provide emergency relief and developmental aid as the sum of
6. money designed to support programs to encourage a stable government, higher
7. quality of life and democracy. Internally displaced persons shall be defined as
8. individuals forced from their homes but who remain within their country's
9. borders due to national emergencies, avoidance of armed conflict or human
10. rights violations by a terrorist or government organization.
11. **SECTION 3.** The bill shall be overseen by the United States Agency for
12. International Development (USAID) and the United States Treasury.
13. \$100 million dollars will be allocated for humanitarian aid, and directed
14. toward the Nigerian National Emergency Management Agency.
15. \$100 million dollars will be allocated for developmental aid.
16. **SECTION 4.** This bill will be implemented in January 2015.
17. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared
18. null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Sacred Heart Greenwich (CT)