

A Bill to Limit the Growth of Self Proclaimed “Sanctuary Cities”

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The United States Congress will end the awarding of federal grants to the current and future: localities, cities, counties, and states that identify themselves as a sanctuary for illegal and undocumented immigrants.

SECTION 2. Sanctuary cities are those localities, cities, counties, and states with policies that make themselves a safe-haven for an undocumented immigrant.

SECTION 3. The U.S. Department of Commerce will work in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to enforce the termination of grants to the self proclaimed “sanctuary cities.”

A. The U.S. Department of Commerce will oversee the end of grants to the localites.

B. The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) will oversee the identification of sanctuary cities.

SECTION 4. This bill will go into effect at the end of the fiscal year on 1 October 2017.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Archbishop Wood High School

A BILL TO RATIFY THE EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT IN ALL STATES

BE IT ENACTED HERE IN CONGRESS THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** Whereas the 1972 Equal Rights Amendment has not 2
been ratified in fifteen states, the United States

3 Congress will finally take action and ensure the
4 federal right of all genders .

5 **SECTION 2.** The United States Congress will remove the deadline
6 placed in 1982, which prevented the ratification of
7 the Equal Rights Amendment Bill, and ratify the
8 amendment in all states.

9 A) The passage of the bill will no longer be in
10 the hands of the state government, as a call for
11 gender equality should be deemed as a federal
12 issue.

13 B) The United States Congress will make the
14 decision for every state, and that decision will
15 be to ratify the Equal Rights Amendment once
16 and for all.

17 **SECTION 3.** This bill will activate January 1, 2018

18 **SECTION 4.** All legislations in conflict with this bill are hereby
19 declared null and void.

Respectfully,

Victoria Borlando

Gwynedd Mercy Academy High School

A BILL TO END AGRICULTURAL SUBSIDIES

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The current subsidies that are provided to approximately one million farmers, and which total about \$25 Billion, will be ended.

SECTION 2. Agricultural subsidies are defined as payments by the federal government to producers of agricultural products for the purpose of supplementing their incomes, and balancing the agricultural industry.

SECTION 3. This will be overseen by the Department of Agriculture. The surplus money will be invested in safer environmental practices, to be determined at the discretion of the Department of Agriculture.

SECTION 4. This legislation will go into effect in Fiscal Year 2019.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Pennsbury High School

A Bill to Implement the Modernizing Government Technology Act of 2016

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. H.R. 6004- Modernizing Government Technology Act of 2016 is hereby declared passed.

SECTION 2. The Office of Management and Budget is hereby allocated an additional \$10,000,000,000 to implement this act.

SECTION 3. The Office of Management and Budget, the Chief Information Officers Council, and the General Services Administration shall trilaterally oversee the implementation of this legislation.

SECTION 4. This bill will go into immediate effect and be implemented over a period of four years.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Perkiomen Valley High School

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Abolish the Electoral College

1 **WHEREAS**, The Electoral College does not represent the United States and the entirety of its people; and

2 **WHEREAS**, This election mechanism is extremely outdated being as it became effective as of 1789 and
3 hasn't been altered since 1866; and

4 **WHEREAS**, The Electoral College disproportionately favors rural communities and ignores our many urban
5 areas; and

6 **WHEREAS**, The people in the Electoral College are not elected by the United States' voting population;
7 and

8 **WHEREAS**, Presidential elections can be won while focusing on certain states rather than gaining votes
9 from every American; and

10 **WHEREAS**, The Electoral College does nothing to prevent unqualified candidates as evidenced in the
11 recent election and thus it does not even serve its original purpose; now, therefore,

12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

13 **RESOLVED**, By two-thirds of the Congress here assembled, that the following article is proposed as an
14 amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all intents and
15 purposes as part of the Constitution when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the
16 several states within seven years from the date of its submission by the Congress:

17 **ARTICLE XXVIII**

18 **SECTION 1:** The Electoral College is hereby abolished and the President and Vice President will be elected
19 directly by winning the plurality of votes.

20 **SECTION 2:** The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

Introduced by Science Leadership Academy.

A Bill to Require Voter ID to Ensure Fair Elections

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** All voters in federal elections are required to provide valid
2 identification. All state Departments of Motor Vehicles are required to
3 provide free non-driver IDs. The federal income tax shall be raised by
4 .0005% to fund this change.

5 **SECTION 2.** “Valid identification” is defined as current picture ID issued
6 by a military, federal, or state agency.

7 **SECTION 3.** The Federal Election Commission shall oversee the
8 implementation of this legislation.

9 A. The FEC shall appoint monitors at polling places to enforce this law.

10 B. DMV IDs shall be funded by the above income tax increase.

11 **SECTION 4.** This law shall go into effect the first fiscal year after its
12 passage.

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

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Introduced for Congressional Debate by Patrick Adams of St. Joseph’s Preparatory School.

**A BILL TO EXPAND THE EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT TO
RAISE INCOMES WITHOUT RAISING THE MINIMUM WAGE**

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) will be expanded and revised,
3 based on the joint household income, with maximum credits set at \$6,500
4 for households with three or more qualifying children, \$5,600 for
5 households with two qualifying children, \$3,500 for households with one
6 qualifying child, and \$1,000 for households with no qualifying children.

7 **SECTION 2.** The EITC will be available for taxpayers between 21 and 67 years of age.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Internal Revenue Service will oversee enforcement of this legislation.

9 A. The IRS will receive additional authority to pursue fraud
10 prevention and punishment.

11 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect for the 2017 fiscal year.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Andrew Spangler
Strath Haven High School*

**A RESOLUTION TO BOLSTER THE BALTIC TO
REDUCE RUSSIAN AGGRESSION**

- 1 **WHEREAS**, Despite mounting Russian aggression in the Baltic region, NATO is not
2 positioned effectively to defend its most vulnerable members; and
3 **WHEREAS**, The limited military power and defense capabilities amongst NATO
4 countries has incentivized Russia to take up arms; and
5 **WHEREAS**, If attacked, Baltic NATO allies do not have the military capacity to defend
6 themselves; and
7 **WHEREAS**, Sweden and Finland hold a significant amount of influence in the region;
8 now, therefore, be it
9 **RESOLVED**, That the Student Congress here assembled advocate for the inclusion of
10 Sweden and Finland in NATO.

Respectfully submitted,

*Senator Lena Lofgren
Strath Haven High School*

A Resolution to Engage with the People's Republic of China to Help End the Violence in South Sudan

- 1 **Whereas:** The United States and the People's Republic of China have considerable influence
2 within the country of South Sudan, and;
- 3 **Whereas:** Top political and military leaders are continuing the ongoing civil war for profit and
4 exploiting their countries funds to maintain power, and;
- 5 **Whereas:** The citizens of South Sudan are now facing ethnic cleansings and food insecurities,
6 and;
- 7 **Whereas:** The United Nations continues to fail proposed policies to deescalate the ongoing
8 conflict, and;
- 9 **Whereas:** Peacekeepers are not enough and are not doing enough to maintain the peace.
- 10 **Therefore, be it resolved that:** The United States government cooperate with the People's
11 Republic of China to enforce anti-money laundering measures and targeted
12 sanctions on top political and military leaders of both the Sudan People's
13 Liberation Movement and the Sudan People's Liberation Movement and the Sudan
14 People's Liberation Movement In-Opposition to degrade their influence and stop
15 the ongoing ethnic related violence in South Sudan.

Respectfully Submitted,

Truman High School

A Bill to Temporarily Halt 90-Day Chaos

- 1 **Whereas:** President Donald J. Trump has signed a new executive order almost every day since he
2 has taken office, and
- 3 **Whereas:** These orders have been met with protests, rallies, and a small scale national outcry
4 from the public, and
- 5 **Whereas:** Both protesters and members of public service have been injured, and
- 6 **Whereas:** These protests have already resulted in over \$50,000 in property damage, and
- 7 **Whereas:** These numbers will continue to glide so long as President Trump's pen does
- 8 **Therefore be it resolved that:** The President be limited on the number of number of executive
9 orders he can issue until either (a) existing executive orders expire or (b) Congress has
10 had the chance to vote on such orders, and;
- 11 **Be it further resolved that:** Executive Orders issued by the president carry an expiration of 90
12 days from signing.

Respectfully Submitted,

Truman High School

A resolution to investigate impeachment of Donald Trump

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Whereas, the U.S. Constitution provides impeachment as the method for removing the president, vice president, federal judges, and other federal officials from office, and

Whereas, the impeachment process begins in the House of Representatives and follows these steps:

1. The House Judiciary Committee holds hearings and, if necessary, prepares articles of impeachment. These are the charges against the official.
2. If a majority of the committee votes to approve the articles, the whole House debates and votes on them.
3. If a majority of the House votes to impeach the official on any article, then the official must then stand trial in the Senate.
4. For the official to be removed from office, two-thirds of the Senate must vote to convict the official. Upon conviction, the official is automatically removed from office and, if the Senate so decides, may be forbidden from holding governmental office again.

Whereas, the Constitution sets specific grounds for impeachment. They are “treason, bribery, and other high crimes and misdemeanors.” To be impeached and removed from office, the House and Senate must find that the official committed one of these acts, and

Whereas, President Donald Trump is alleged to have conducted egregious acts of misconduct and excessive poor judgment,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the House Judiciary Committee holds hearings and, if necessary, prepares articles of impeachment against President Donald Trump.

Respectfully submitted,

William Tennent High School

A bill to eliminate certain charter school funding

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Section 1 The United States federal government shall enact a full and permanent ban on the distribution and utilization of federal funds for charter schools owned and/or operated by charter school management organizations.

Section 2 This bill shall go into effect upon passage.

Section 3 All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

William Tennent High School