Ashland Grizzly Invitational Student Congress

Friday November 3rd AHS Library Room 204

Session 1 5pm-7pm

Dinner break

Session 2 7:30pm to 9:30pm

Bills and Resolutions for Debate (Docket order to be set by the House)

1. A Bill to Allow Transgender Individuals to

Enlist in the United States Military

2. A Bill to Increase the Requirement to

Register for the Sex Offenders List

3. A Resolution to Recognize Iraqi Kurdish Independence

4. A Resolution to Condemn the Nigerian Government’s Treatment of the Biafran People

5. A Bill to Lower the Federal Corporate Tax Rate

6. A Bill to Increase Public Investment in Geothermal Energy

7. The Unaccompanied Minor Immigration Act of 2017

8. A Bill to Fund the Deployment of Anti-Ballistic Missile Defense Systems to Japan

9. The Medicare for More Act

10. A Resolution to Ratify the Rome Statute

11. A Bill to Close the School to Prison Pipeline

12. A Bill to Abolish the Subminimum Wage

Two Bills Submitted by Crater High School

1. A Bill to Allow Transgender Individuals to

Enlist in the United States Military

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. Transgender individuals will be permitted to join any part of the United

States military so long as they have passed full mental exams on a regular

basis followed by physical exams.

SECTION 2. Transgender individuals are people who do not identify as the sex they

were born with; some will also take doctor prescribed hormones, paid for

by the U.S. military.

SECTION 3. The United States military will provide a therapist for a mental exam on a

regular basis and will also provide physical exams. The Secretary of

Defense is to enforce the policy and the Judge Advocate General&#39;s Corps

are to protect all transgender individuals from discrimination within the

military.

SECTION 4. This legislation will go into effect on January 1, 2019.

SECTION 5. All laws in place that conflict with this legislation are to be considered null and void.

Respectfully submitted by Crater High School.

**2. A Bill to Increase the Requirement to**

**Register for the Sex Offenders List**

 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1         **SECTION 1.**Convicted sex offenders may be only be required to register

2                    to the National Sex Offender Public Registry when committing

3                                  crimes in sections 18(SORNA 111(3)(A)(iv)) and 13(SORNA 111(4)(A)(ii)).

4 **SECTION 2.**18(SORNA 111(3)(A)(iv)) and 13(SORNA 111(4)(A)(ii)) are sections

5                                 in the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (SORNA).

6                                 A.   18(SORNA 111(3)(A)(iv)) is the section in which the suspect

7                      is placed as a tier II offender. These are offences that are greater

8                                 then receiving child pornography and offenses to another adult which

9            only includes contact.

10                              B.    13(SORNA 111(4)(A)(ii)) is the section in which the suspect is

11       placed as a tier III offender.

12     **SECTION 3.**The U.S. justice system would monitor this new system.

13 **SECTION 4.**This bill will be enacted on June 28th, 2018.

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

      *Submitted by Crater High School*

October NSDA Bills Follow

3. A Resolution to Recognize Iraqi Kurdish Independence

**WHEREAS**, On September 25, the Iraqi Kurdish people voted overwhelmingly in favor of independence; and

**WHEREAS**, The Iraqi Kurdish military, known as the Peshmerga, have been invaluable in the fight against ISIS; and

**WHEREAS**, The United States ought to be committed to upholding the principles of democracy and self-determination; and

**WHEREAS**,An independent Iraqi Kurdistan would provide the United States with another key strategic ally in the Middle East; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled formally recognizes the independence of Iraqi Kurdistan in accordance with the September 25 referendum.

4. A Resolution to Condemn the Nigerian Government’s Treatment of the Biafran People

**WHEREAS**, The Nigerian government has been accused by Amnesty International of having committed extrajudicial killings against the Indigenous People of Biafra (IPOB); and

**WHEREAS**, The leader of the IPOB, British-Nigerian Nnamdi Kanu has been reported missing since September 17; and

**WHEREAS**, A second Biafran civil war would be detrimental to the interests of Nigeria and the United States; and

**WHEREAS**,While the Nigerian state ought to stay united, the people of Briafa deserve some modicum of autonomy; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled condemns any and all acts of extrajudicial killings in Nigeria; and, be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** That Biafra should be given more autonomy, whilst still remaining a part of Nigeria.

*5.* **A Bill to Lower the Federal Corporate Tax Rate**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1**. The federal corporate tax rate for the largest tax bracket of corporations shall be lowered from 35% to 20%. For all lower brackets, any federal corporate tax rate on income shall be lowered by 10%

**Section 2**. The largest tax bracket of corporations shall be defined as corporations with taxable income higher than $18,333,333.

**Section 3.** The Internal Revenue Service shall be charged with the implementation of this legislation.

**SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go into effect at the start of FY 2019.

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

*6.* **A Bill to Increase Public Investment in Geothermal Energy**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1**. $500 million shall be allocated toward the subsidization of the US geothermal energy industry.

**Section 2**. Geothermal energy shall be defined as energy derived and generated from heat stored in the Earth.

**Section 3.** The U.S. Department of Energy shall be charged with the implementation of this legislation.

1. Funding for this legislation shall come from an increase in the federal gas tax of 2 cents per gallon.
2. All additional or leftover funds shall be redirected to the National Highway Trust Fund.

**SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go into effect FY 2019.

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

*7.* **The Unaccompanied Minor Immigration Act of 2017**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1**. Undocumented immigrants who arrived to the United States from Guatemala, Honduras, or El Salvador shall be eligible for temporary residence in the US if they meet the following qualifications:

1. Must have arrived between January 1, 2014 and January 1, 2017.
2. Must have arrived as an unaccompanied minor.
3. No history of violent crime.

**Section 2**. Those who are given temporary residence under this legislation must commit to attending school, joining the military, or obtaining a job under risk of losing their residence. After 5 years, they will be eligible for full permanent residence status.

**Section 3.** The Department of State shall be charged with the implementation of this legislation,

1. The Department of Homeland Security shall be charged with vetting the applicants.

**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.

*8.* **A Bill to Fund the Deployment of Anti-Ballistic Missile Defense Systems to Japan**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1**. $2.5 Billion shall be allocated for the purpose of funding the deployment of either THAAD or Aegis Ashore units to Japan, pending Japanese state approval.

**Section 2**. The money allocated should be enough for about 2 THAAD units or 3 Aegis Ashore units, whichever the Japanese government desires.

1. THAAD shall be defined as Terminal High Altitude Area Defense.
2. Aegis Ashore shall be defined as the land-based component of the Aegis Ballistic Missile Defense System.

**Section 3.** The Bureau of Political-Military Affairs shall be charged with 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

*9.* **The Medicare for More Act**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1**. A public option for health insurance shall be offered nationwide in individual market exchanges.

**Section 2**. A public option shall be defined as a publicly funded health insurance option for those under 65 that will compete against private insurers.

**Section 3.** The Department of Health and Human Services shall be charged with implementation of this legislation.

1. The public option shall be funded by a 0.03% financial transaction tax on high frequency trading.
2. The Internal Revenue Service, in conjunction with the Securities Exchange committee, shall be charged with implementing the financial transaction tax.

**SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go into effect at the start of FY 2019.

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

*10.* A Resolution to Ratify the Rome Statute

**WHEREAS**, The United States remains one of the only developed Western countries to have not ratified the Rome Statute; and

**WHEREAS**, Being able to actively participate in the International Criminal Court (ICC) is key to promoting US interests in the international community; and

**WHEREAS**, As a global superpower, the United States’ ratification of the Rome Statute would substantially strengthen the ICC; and

**WHEREAS**,A strengthen ICC, with United States backing, would be able to more effectively combat and prosecute war crimes; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled officially ratifies the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court.

*11.* **A Bill to Close the School to Prison Pipeline**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1**. The following reforms shall be implemented in all US public schools:

1. School-based arrests for non-violent offenses shall be prohibited.
2. In regard to zero-tolerance policies, students may only be expelled if they have been convicted of a violent crime.

**Section 2**. Zero-tolerance policies shall be defined as policies that automatically impose severe punishments regardless of circumstances.

**Section 3.** The Department of Education, in coordination with the Department of Justice, shall be charged with the implementation of this legislation.

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

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

*12.* **A Bill to Abolish the Subminimum Wage**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1**. The subminimum wage shall be raised to the current federal minimum wage.

1. Whenever the federal minimum wage is increased, the subminimum wage shall be increased to ensure it indefinitely equals the same amount as the minimum wage.

**Section 2**. The subminimum wage shall be defined as the employment of student-learners, tipped workers, or disabled workers at below the minimum wage.

**Section 3.** The Department of Labor shall be charged with the implementation of this legislation.

1. Both the subminimum wage and the minimum wage shall be adjusted to inflation on an annual basis.

**SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go into effect FY 2019.

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