

**BIG APPLE ROUND ROBIN**

**2017**

**CONGRESSIONAL LEGISLATION**



# A Bill to Cut Coal Dependency

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1           **SECTION 1.**    Coal Subsidies will be cut by 50 Billion dollars over the next

2                           5 years and reapportioned to assist in the transition to electric vehicles.

3           **SECTION 2.**    Electric vehicles are to be defined as vehicles that only use

4                           energy stored in its rechargeable batteries, which are recharged by

5                           common household electricity.

6           **SECTION 3.**    The Department of Energy and the Environmental

7                           Protection Agency shall oversee the implementation of this legislation.

8           A.   The EPA will be tasked with establishing appropriate energy standards

9                           for vehicle manufacturers.

10          B.   The EPA will be tasked with monitoring and gathering data on the

11                          changing CO2 emissions over the next 10 years.

12          C.   The Department of Energy will share information gathered with

13                          manufacturers to make appropriate changes and advancements in their

14                          vehicles.

15          **SECTION 4.**    This bill will come into effect upon passage.

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

null and void.

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## A Bill to Monitor Foreign Social Media

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Justice Department is granted the power to review any  
3 and all pieces of social media originating from a foreign e-mail or an  
4 account based in a foreign country.

5 **SECTION 2.** Social media shall be defined as the means of interaction among people  
6 in which they create, share, and/or exchange information and ideas in  
7 virtual communities and networks.

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

9 A. An additional bureau, entitled "The Office of International Virtual  
10 Networks," will be established to handle this task.

11 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect immediately.

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

# A Bill to Limit the Spread of Zika

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall hereby ban travel for six months to any nation  
3 with a high risk of Zika virus contraction. Immigration and travel to the  
4 United States by foreigners from these countries shall also be banned.

5 **SECTION 2.** A. Travel is defined as a visit to a nation for any purpose and for any  
6 length of time.

7 **SECTION 3.** The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) shall be  
8 responsible for determining which nations shall be deemed “high risk”  
9 and will be expected to reassess this classification on a daily basis. The  
10 Department of Homeland Security shall be responsible for implementing  
11 the travel ban to and from the specified countries.

12 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall go into effect immediately upon passage.

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

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# A Bill to Repeal the Merchant Marine Act of 1920

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The Merchant Marine Act of 1920 is hereby repealed.

3 **SECTION 2.** The Department of Homeland Security shall be responsible for overseeing  
4 the implementation of this repeal.

5 **SECTION 3.** Enforcement of the Merchant Marine Act of 1920 must fully cease by  
6 January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018.

7 **SECTION 4.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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# A Bill to Repeal the Foreign Corrupt Practice Act

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The Foreign Corrupt Practice Act of 1977 is hereby repealed.

3 **SECTION 2.** The Department of Justice and Securities and Exchange Commission shall  
4 be responsible for overseeing the implementation of this repeal.

5 **SECTION 3.** Enforcement of the The Foreign Corrupt Practice Act of 1977 must fully  
6 cease by January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018.

7 **SECTION 4.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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# A Bill to Reform the Federal Reserve Dividend System

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The power to determine and outlay dividends to owners of stock in the  
3 federal reserve and its subsidiaries shall be transferred from the federal  
4 reserve to congress. It shall hereby be at the discretion of congress to  
5 determine the annual dividend rate.

6 **SECTION 2.** The House and Senate finance committees shall be responsible for  
7 drafting a dividend rate proposal each year, and the federal reserve shall  
8 remain responsible for enforcing the dividend rate decided by Congress.

9 **SECTION 3.** Proposals for each year are effective on January 1<sup>st</sup> of that year and must  
10 be passed by December 1<sup>st</sup> of the year prior (one month before) in order  
11 to provide the federal reserve with sufficient implementation time. This  
12 law shall take effect immediately, with the 2018 dividend having been  
13 decided by December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 and implemented on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018.

14 **SECTION 4.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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