

**Yale University's
High School Invitational**

26
years

September 15 – September 17, 2017

**Student Congress
Information Packet**

For Contestants, Judges, and Coaches

Tentative Schedule

Friday, September 15, 2017

14:30-16:00 Debate Registration

19:00-20:00 Speech and Congress Registration

Saturday, September 16, 2017

8:00 Judge Meeting T.B.A.

8:45-11:45 Session One

13:30-16:30 Session Two

17:00-20:00 Session Three

22:00 Breaks Posted Online

Sunday, September 17, 2017

8:00 Elimination Round Judge Meeting T.B.A.

8:15-10:45 Semifinals

12:00-15:00 Finals

15:30 Awards Assembly

Official Rules

Important Note:

The information in this packet is tentative with regard to the preliminary round format. If numbers drop significantly between the release of this packet and the beginning of the competition, the tournament reserves the right to adjust the numbers and procedures accordingly.

The rules contained herein are designed to promote procedural unity among the chambers. They are subject to change by the staff at any time, but they may NOT be altered or ignored through a suspension of the rules by the chamber.

CHAMBER DECORUM:

- Each preliminary chamber is designated a HOUSE.
- A member of the House of Representatives is always referred to as “Representative.”
- The Presiding Officer is addressed as “Mister/Madam Speaker.”

LEGISLATIVE DAY: A legislative day is one session. Speaker order (recency) resets after each session.

AGENDA ORDER: Each chamber may determine its own agenda based on the order of the legislation assigned compiled in the tournament docket.

PRESIDING OFFICER NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS:

- There is **one (1) elected Presiding Officer** in each session.
- No legislator may serve in that office for more than one session if there are other willing candidates within the chamber.
- The *Parliamentarian* using a secret ballot conducts elections. A majority vote is required to elect a candidate.

RECOGNITION OF SPEAKERS:

- Presiding officers must use precedence when recognizing speakers. This means that presiding officers must choose speakers who have spoken least (or not at all). The only exception to precedence is when the speaker has *authorship* privileges. In this case, precedence must be broken in order to recognize the author as the initial speaker of the newly introduced legislation.
- Presiding officers should employ recency once precedence has been set. This means that the presiding officers should select the speaker who has spoken *least recently* (or earliest).
- Before precedence is set, the presiding officer must choose and explain to the chamber the manner in which speakers will be recognized. Only two methods are strictly prohibited: activity and longest standing.
 - Activity – The presiding officer may not select speakers based on who has already been recognized for questions and/or motions.
 - Longest Standing (Standing Time) – The presiding officer may not track how many times speakers stand to be recognized.

LEGISLATION WITHOUT AN AUTHOR:

- For the purposes of debate, the author shall be the student who drafted the legislation.
- If the author of a bill or resolution is not present in the chamber, withdraws from the tournament, or waives service as the author, a sponsorship speech is in order.
- Sponsorship is determined by recency.
- The sponsorship becomes accountable for the mechanics of the legislation and must yield to two minutes of questioning by the chamber.
- The Presiding Officer may not step down in order to take the floor as an author and/or sponsor.

QUESTIONING DURING PRELIMINARY COMPETITION:

- A mandatory two-minute questioning period follows all authorship, and sponsorship on amendment speeches.
- A two-minute questioning period also follows the first negative speech on any item of legislation.
- The Presiding Officer shall recognize legislators who wish to ask a question of the speaker; the speaker MAY NOT perform this function him/herself.
- All other speeches will have a mandatory one-minute questioning period that may not be suspended.
- Questioners may only ask one question at a time. Thus, the Presiding Officer has an obligation to rule “two-part,” misleading, or irrelevant questions out of order.

AMENDMENTS:

- Legislators must submit amendments in writing.
- A motion to amend is necessary to consider the written amendment.
- Once the motion is made, the Presiding Officer decides if the amendment is germane.
- The Presiding Officer may consult with the Parliamentarian to make this decision.
- If the amendment is found not germane, the chair rules it out of order and the amendment process stops.
- If the chair rules the amendment germane, the chamber considers the amendment. In this case, the presiding officer reads the amendment to the chamber.
- A 1/3rd second of the members present in the chamber is required to debate the amendment.
- If the chamber votes a second, debate on the amendment commences immediately.
- There is no minimum cycle requirement for amendments, so legislators may make a motion to table or call the previous question on the amendment at any time.
- The first speech on the amendment is a sponsorship speech. The chair determines speaker recognition for the sponsorship speech on the basis of recency; the author of the amendment is not guaranteed the sponsorship speech. The sponsor accepts responsibility for the mechanics of the amendment and yields to two minutes of questioning.
- All amendment speeches receive a score and count towards recency. A majority vote is necessary for the chamber to adopt the amendment.

VOTING:

- The Presiding Officer determines the method of voting on each question that comes before the chamber, except for final votes on legislation, amendments, and motions to appeal to the chair, a recorded vote must be taken. On all other votes, “voice voting” is acceptable.
- A recorded vote must follow if:
 - any member asks for a division; or
 - a member of the chamber moves for a roll call vote and the motion is agreed to by 1/5th of the chamber.
- All simple majority votes are based on the number of legislators present and voting in the chamber. Therefore, the Presiding Office may not call for or count abstentions.
- For all votes requiring a fraction of the chamber to agree to a motion or question (2/3, 1/3, 1/5, etc.), the chair determines whether the chamber agrees with the motion/question using the number of legislators present in the chamber.
- Thus, the Presiding Officer must track the number of legislators in the chamber at all times.

INTERNET CONNECTIVITY:

- During the course of debate on a piece of legislation under consideration, use of the Internet shall be strictly prohibited.
- Internet may be used during recesses called by the chamber or during the time period between sessions, but may not be accessed during motions of personal privilege.
- Both judges and peers present in the chamber shall monitor inappropriate use of the Internet.
- Concerns should be brought to the Parliamentarian in a discreet manner that has limited impact on the flow of the chamber.
- The Parliamentarian will then bring these concerns to the attention of the tabulation staff.

EVIDENCE RULES:

- Students shall be responsible for the validity of all evidence they introduce to the floor. This includes, but is not limited to: facts, statistics, or examples attributed to a specific, identifiable, authoritative source used to support a claim. Unattributed ideas are the opinion of the student competitor and are not considered evidence.
- At minimum, students are expected to orally deliver the following when introducing evidence: primary author(s)’ name (last) and year of publication. In the event that the source is a periodical or government publication, the title of the publication may be substituted for the author.

- **Evidence violations shall include:**
 - “Distortion” – the textual evidence itself contains added and/or deleted word(s), which significantly alters the conclusion of the author (e.g. deleting “not”; adding the word “not”.)
 - “Non-existence”
 - Student citing evidence is unable to provide the original source or copy of the relevant pages when requested by a tournament official.
 - Original source provided does not contain the evidence cited.
 - “Clipping” – when the student claims to have read aloud the complete text of highlighted and/or underlined evidence when, in fact, the contestant skips or omits portions of the evidence.
 - “Straw argument” – claim introduced by an author for the purpose of refuting, discrediting or characterizing it. Reliance on a straw argument occurs when a student asserts incorrectly that the author supports or endorses the straw argument as his or her own position.
- In order to protest a piece of evidence, a student must secure from the Parliamentarian a formal protest form only during the recess immediately following the legislative debate during which the accused violation has occurred. In the event that Orders of the Day have been called, the same rules apply, but the student filing the complaint will have five minutes to complete this form and turn it into the Parliamentarian.
- This form shall require the student filing the protest to provide:
 - Full citation of the evidence in question
 - Identification of which evidence violation has been committed
 - A detailed explanation of what exactly was said by the competitor being questioned (verbatim if possible)
 - Provision of the piece of evidence demonstrating that student filing the protest had prior knowledge of evidence in question and that it was not accessed via Internet during the course of the debate
 - Student must sign form and acknowledge that a false accusation could result in the loss of ranks earned for that session. Student must file the complaint with the Parliamentarian prior to the end of the chamber’s recess or within five minutes of Orders of the Day being called. The Parliamentarian will contact the tabulation staff immediately and an appointed protest committee will make a determination as to how to proceed.
- If requested by a tabulation staff member, students must be able to provide a printed or electronic .pdf copy of the evidence with the referenced materials(s) highlighted.

Preliminary Competition Format

This year's Congressional Debate division features **twelve (12) chambers**.

There are **three (3) sessions** of debate in the Preliminary Competition. Each session consists of **three (3) hours** of floor debate. There is **one (1) elected Presiding Officer** in each session. For purposes of this competition, one complete session is a legislative day. Priority for speaking resets at the end of each legislative day. ***Thus, all legislators will have zero speeches at the start of each session.***

A Parliamentarian and a Scorer will evaluate each chamber. The *Parliamentarian* remains in the chamber throughout the preliminary competition, while the *Scorers* rotate to different chambers throughout the tournament. The *Scorers* evaluate every speech that is given in a session, rating them on a scale of 1 to 6 (1 is low; 6 is high). The points awarded by a *Scorer* for a given speech can thus be used to determine NFL points for that speech. The *Parliamentarian* keeps notes on the overall performance of each legislator and will write formal ballots, including an evaluation for each Presiding Officer, awarding him/her up to 18 NFL points on the basis of his/her performance during a given session.

At the end of each session, the *Scorer* and the *Parliamentarian* will each independently nominate **eight (8)** students for Best Legislator during the session. Each *Scorer* and *Parliamentarian*'s nomination form is converted into credits by the Tabulation Staff with the 1st place legislator receiving 8 credits, the 2nd place legislator receiving 7, and so on. Those students who were not ranked will receive zero (0) credits. The **three (3)** students from each chamber who have earned the highest number of judge credits during the Preliminary Sessions will advance to the Semifinal Round.

At the conclusion of the third session, the students who ranked **fourth through ninth** on the basis of judge credits will be placed into nomination for advancement by peer preference. If there is a tie in determining nominees for the election, the tie will be broken using inverse reciprocal ranks, followed by head-to-head competition, followed by *Parliamentarian*'s preference. During the conduction of the peer preferential advancement, the *Parliamentarian*'s ballot will break any ties.

Finally, each *Parliamentarian* ranks the top 10 students in the chamber at the end of the third session on the basis of their overall legislative performance during the course of preliminary competition. The highest-ranking student on this record (*Parliamentarian*'s Preferential Rating) who has not advanced from preferential balloting or judge credits will then advance to the Semifinal Round.

Thus, **seven (7)** legislators qualify for the Semifinal Round from each chamber as follows

1. 3 students on the basis of total judge credits
2. 3 students on the basis of peer preference
3. 1 student on the basis of *Parliamentarian*'s Preference

Judge Instructions for Opening Congress Meeting

JOB OF A STUDENT CONGRESS SCORER

- Evaluate the “Best Legislator”
- Students should be evaluated based on the demonstration of various skills – not just speaking. This means students should be recognized for participating in setting the **agenda, making motions, asking questions**, etc.

ROLE OF THE PRESIDING OFFICER

- In order to ensure that students are able to do this in a fast, fair, and efficient manner, a **presiding officer is absolutely necessary**.
- Rounds cannot happen without presiding officers. Students are **sacrificing their opportunity to speak to serve the community**. This is a **leadership position**.
- **Good presiding officers are hard to find and amazing presiding officers are a rarity**. This is because students feel disadvantaged when they preside as judges often forget that we are looking for the Best Legislator and not the Best Speaker.
- **Bad presiding officers will result in chaos in the chamber and thus, the lack of opportunity for students to participate in debate**. Thus, in order to encourage individuals to preside, not only do we offer a gavel to the best presiding officer, but also we highly encourage you to place the presiding officer in your final ranks.
- **Failure to rank the presiding officer must be accompanied with a detailed explanation as to why the presiding officer failed to keep order in the chamber or demonstrated a lack of leadership**.

SPEECH SCORES

- 6 – You should be in Congress now!
- 5 - You are amazing and will be in Congress some day!
- 4 – You are a good competitor, keep working.
- 3 – You had a lot of problems today. Requires a very detailed explanation.
- 2 – You spoke for a very short time, like a minute and half. Requires a very detailed explanation.
- 1 - You were offensive. Requires a very detailed explanation.

TYPES OF CONGRESS SPEECHES

All of Equal Value in the Round Students Demonstrate Skill by Performing Different Types of Speeches

- ***Constructive:***
 - There is **no such thing as a first affirmative**. The first affirmative speech is a constructive speech introducing the legislation to the floor for debate.
 - It can be either an **authorship or a sponsorship speech**.
 - They **should establish for the judge the purpose of introducing the bill to the floor for debate**. You should be able to listen to the constructive and **understand what the proposed piece of legislation advocates without reading it**.
 - In prelims, legislation is tied to the diocese. **Only a student who has authored a bill is guaranteed a constructive speech**. Any other student may give a sponsorship if a member of the diocese is present.
- ***Rebuttal Speeches:***
 - Rebuttal speeches **directly refute** an opponent's argumentation.
 - **Rebuttals do not simply list the names of opposing legislators**.
- ***Extension Speeches:***
 - Extension speeches take a previous argument and **extend the line of argumentation**.
 - Extension speeches are not rehash, if and only if, some new nuance of the debate is brought forth.
 - Speeches may be a combination of rebuttal and extension.
- ***Crystallization Speeches:***
 - Happen at the end of the debate.
 - Weigh both sides and try to convince you why one side is better than the other.

ONE-SIDED DEBATE

- The purpose of debate is advance arguments.
- Students should be prepared on both sides of the legislation. Thus, one-sided debate is highly frowned upon. If everyone is in agreement, then there is no debate.
- Students, in this event, are not required to advocate on every bill.

CALLING THE QUESTION

- Students should feel comfortable calling the previous question when debate has become one-sided or debate has become stale.
- It is not rude to call the previous question if these conditions exist and people still want to speak.
- One of the skills of a limited prep event like Student Congress is being able to flip one's points if one really wants to give a speech on a particular piece of legislation.
- No minimum cycle, no maximum cycle

Chamber Assignments

General Information for Contestants

- Find your name on the next page.
- Remember to NOT panic if you do not have your code. Simply use only your last name when speaking from the floor.
- Do not use your school name to identify yourself during the course of any session of the Congress.
- Bolded names indicate that a representative has submitted legislation for the chamber's consideration.

Legislative Calendar

- Legislation has been assigned to the same chamber as its author.
- All legislation assigned to a chamber must be debated before the chamber may debate legislation assigned to a different chamber.
- Legislation assigned to a chamber may not be tabled for the purposes of moving forward to another chamber's legislation.
- In the event that a chamber completes its entire agenda:
 - Chamber 1 will debate items from the docket of Chamber 2
 - Chamber 2 will debate items from the docket of Chamber 3
 - Chamber 3 will debate items from the docket of Chamber 4
 - Chamber 4 will debate items from the docket of Chamber 5
 - Chamber 5 will debate items from the docket of Chamber 6
 - Chamber 6 will debate items from the docket of Chamber 7
 - Chamber 7 will debate items from the docket of Chamber 8
 - Chamber 8 will debate items from the docket of Chamber 9
 - Chamber 9 will debate items from the docket of Chamber 10
 - Chamber 10 will debate items from the docket of Chamber 11
 - Chamber 11 will debate items from the docket of Chamber 12
 - Chamber 12 will debate items from the docket of Chamber 1

“You must be the change you wish to see in the world.” – Mahatma Gandhi

NOTE ABOUT AGENDAS:

We don't have to tell you that the *first rule of speech and debate is be a good person*. In fact, we firmly believe that your generation understands the concepts of equity and equality better than *any* previous generation.

We provide the legislation two weeks in advance so that you can prepare great speeches on a limited number of bills rather than prepping 20 or more bills that you may never speak on. However, there are number of coaches who criticize this practice because they believe it *shuts out new voices* and *unfairly benefits larger programs* and *students who can afford to attend summer enrichment programs*.

We believe it gives you a unique experience to learn how to *effectively network* and *collaborate with your peers*. Here is your opportunity to help ensure that our community of Congressional Debaters embraces the norms of equity and equality. We cannot stop you from creating agendas in advance, nor is that our desire. Our desire is that you demonstrate leadership by actively seeking inclusiveness. When creating agenda setting groups:

- **Make sure you have included everyone in the chamber.**
- **Prioritize your wants. Know where you are willing to compromise.**
- **Listen to everyone's desires by asking for input.**
- **Experienced competitors should mentor younger debaters.**
- **Established teams should reach out to new programs.**
- **If you are new to the activity, don't be afraid to reach out first!**

Most importantly, don't set anything in stone.

***Recognize that there may be individuals that you were unable to reach.
At the start of the in-house caucusing period,
ask those who were unable to participate for their thoughts.***

Be willing to give a little in order for everyone to feel included.

CHAMBER 1

Luca Zislin

Andreas Pantazakos

Darren Roberts

Bhamini Vellanki

Bhargav Kansara

Jade Yagur

Arham Habib

Viktorija Popovska

Charles Gagnon

Leah Goodkin

Nick Drury

Zach Goldschmid

Liam Broderick

Mariema Sarr

Sohail Mohammed

Brandon Cowit

Dany Matar

Ryan Psik

Amy Nankin

Angelica Sabol

Andreas Kapsalis

Phillip Ruddy

American Heritage School - Plantation

Chaminade HS

Charles W Flanagan HS

Durham Academy

King High School

Lake Highland Preparatory

Monte Vista

Montville

Natick High School

Newton South HS

Regis High School

Roslyn HS

St. Joseph's Prep

Success Academy Manhattan HS

Syosset HS

The Bronx High School Of Science

Thomas Jefferson HSST

Trinity Preparatory School

Walt Whitman

Wellington HS

Xaverian

Xavier High School

B/R #101

A BILL TO ABOLISH COMMODITY CHECK OFF PROGRAMS

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

2 **SECTION 1.** All currently existing federal commodity check off programs will be
3 terminated. Government promotion and research funded by check off
4 dollars will be discontinued.

5 **SECTION 2.** Commodity check off programs shall be defined as funds collected from
6 producers of an agricultural commodity to promote and do research on
7 that particular commodity.

8 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Agriculture will be responsible for the
9 implementation of this bill.

10 **SECTION 4.** All Commodity Check off Programs will end immediately upon passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Luca Zislin
American Heritage Plantation*

B/R #102

A BILL TO CUT THE FUNDING TO ISRAEL

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The U.S. shall cut 30% of all military aid sent to Israel from this point on
3 and convert it into humanitarian aid to be provided to The Palestinian
4 National Authority (PNA)

5 **SECTION 2.** "Military aid" shall be defined as any weapons, commerce, etc. provided
6 with the intent on improving a countries military

7 "Humanitarian aid" shall be defined as any money, medical supplies, etc.
8 provided with the intent of improving a country's living standards

9 **SECTION 3.** The Department of State will oversee the enforcement of this bill.

10 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall be enforced at the beginning of the fiscal year 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Darren Roberts
Charles W. Flanagan High school*

B/R #103
A BILL TO DECLARE NORTH KOREA A STATE SPONSOR OF TERROR

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

2 **SECTION 1.** North Korea Shall be declared a State Sponsor of Terrorism.

3 **SECTION 2.** State sponsor of terrorism shall be defined as described in Title 28 US

4 Code Section 1605A.

5 **SECTION 3.** The Department of State shall be responsible for the monitoring and

6 sanctioning the North Korean government as specified.

7 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect on January 1st 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Arham Habib
Monte Vista High School

B/R #104

**A RESOLUTION TO URGE GREECE TO GIVE UP THE NAME DISPUTE WITH THE
REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA**

- 1 **WHEREAS**, The Republic of Macedonia is in a name dispute with Greece; and
2 **WHEREAS**, The name dispute between the two countries has caused the Republic of
3 Macedonia to be denied entry into pivotal organizations such as NATO; and
4 **WHEREAS**, Greece has been smothering the voice of the Republic of Macedonia in the
5 international community and international organizations at a critical time for the Republic of
6 Macedonia; and
7 **WHEREAS**, The restriction of entry into NATO for the Republic of Macedonia causes the
8 country to be seen as only a guest in NATO and is unable to reap the full benefits of being a
9 member of NATO; and
10 **WHEREAS**, The internal crisis within the Republic of Macedonia is worsening; therefore, be it
11 **RESOLVED**, That the Student Congress here assembled make the following recommendation
12 for the country of Greece to give up their claims over the Republic of Macedonia's name so that
13 the country may gain entry as a member of NATO; and, be it
14 **FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the Student Congress here assembled make the recommendation
15 for the rest of NATO to urge Greece to give up their claims over the Republic of Macedonia's
16 name so that the country may gain entry as a member of NATO.

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Viktoria Popovska
Montville Township High School*

B/R #105
A BILL TO SECURE DACA

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The full text of the BRIDGE Act (introduced as both H.R. 496 and as S.
3 128) is hereby enacted.

4 **SECTION 2.** The BRIDGE Act codifies the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals
5 (DACA) Program by providing three years of provisional protected status
6 to certain eligible unlawful aliens. To receive the status, aliens must meet
7 a series of requirements, including but not limited to: having entered the
8 United States before age 16, and having not been convicted of a felony or
9 significant misdemeanor.

10 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Homeland Security will implement the policies
11 stipulated in the BRIDGE Act.

12 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will come into effect upon passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Charles Gagnon
Natick High School

B/R #106
A RESOLUTION TO CREATE A DEPARTMENT THAT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR
DEMOGRAPHICALLY BLIND JURY SELECTION TO
INCREASE THE CHANCES OF A FAIR TRIAL

1 **WHEREAS**, Prosecuting attorneys have a history of using race and gender to select a jury
2 against a defendant; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Current selection procedures only disadvantages most likely the defendant by
4 forcing them to be judged by a group that is rarely of their peers; and

5 **WHEREAS**, This does not allow for the defendant to have a fair trial and violates the 6th
6 Amendment; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Numerous appeals occur over the demographic lack of diversity of juries arising
8 from the selection; now, therefore, be it

9 **RESOLVED**, That the Congress here assembled forms a committee responsible for
10 investigating methods to make Jury selection is demographically blind allowing
11 for a fairer jury selection.

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Mariema Sarr
Success Academy High School of the Liberal Arts

B/R #107

A BILL TO MAKE COMMUNITY COLLEGE FREE TO HELP AMERICAN STUDENTS

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States federal government will eliminate tuition costs for
3 students in good standing at two-year community colleges.

4 **SECTION 2.** A. Students in good standing refer to individuals who attend at least half
5 time, maintain a 2.5 GPA, and make steady progress toward completing
6 their program.

7 B. Community colleges that qualify must offer transfer programs or
8 occupational training certificate programs with high graduation rates

9 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Education will oversee implementation of this
10 legislation.

11 A. All funds will be provided through the normal fiscal year 2019
12 budgeting process.

13 B. If necessary, the price for community college may be capped at a later
14 date upon implementation of this legislation.

15 **SECTION 4.** The law shall go into effect fiscal year 2019.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Dany Matar

Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology

B/R #108

A BILL TO BAN PUSH NOTIFICATIONS ON ELECTRONIC DEVICE APPLICATIONS

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Federal Government will ban all push notifications
3 involving all smartphone, tablet, and other electronic device applications
4 (apps). This will be done to reduce roadway accidents and deaths in the
5 United States, as well as to increase workplace productivity.

6 **SECTION 2.** “Push notifications” are defined as messages that pop up on mobile
7 devices from app publishers. Examples of apps with push notifications
8 that this bill will be affecting include, but are not limited to, social media,
9 news sources, games, and general apps.

10 **SECTION 3.** A. This legislation will be overseen by the Office of Science and
11 Technology Cooperation (within the Department of State’s Bureau of
12 Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs) and the
13 Department of Treasury.
14 B. Corporations and businesses, which fail to comply with this legislation,
15 will be penalized of \$50,000 for each incident.

16 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall go into effect on January 1, 2019.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Angelica Sabol
Wellington High School*

B/R #109
THE COMPULSORY VOTING ACT OF 2017

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A. The United States shall hereby use compulsory voting for all federal
3 elections.

4 B. Election Day is hereby declared a national holiday

5 **SECTION 2.** “Compulsory Voting” is hereby defined as the process in which all
6 eligible citizens are required to vote in federal elections.

7 **SECTION 3.** A. The Federal Election Commission shall oversee this legislation.

8 B. If an individual fails to follow Section 1A, said individual shall be
9 given a fine of \$50. This fine shall increase by \$10 for every month the
10 fine is not paid. The fine will cap out at \$200.

11 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go into effect in November 1, 2020.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Andreas Kapsalis
Xaverian High School*

B/R#110

A BILL TO ADDRESS THE GROWING MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION CRISES

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In an effort address the growing mental health crisis, ten billion dollars
3 will be appropriated with the goal of increasing research in mental health
4 and instituting clinics to combat public health related issues.

5 **SECTION 2.** Mental health issues are defined as schizophrenia and PTSD, while public
6 health related issues broadly refers to opioid crisis and the institution of
7 methadone clinics.

8 **SECTION 3.** A. The Center for Disease Control and Prevention and the Federal Drug
9 Agency will enforce this legislation.

10 B. Both agencies will be required to submit a quarterly report of findings
11 to the IRS to ensure funding is solely used for mental and public health
12 issues.

13 **SECTION 4.** Implementation shall occur by the start of the fiscal year 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Phillip A. Ruddy
Xavier High School*

CHAMBER 2

Mfon Diduff	Achievement First Brooklyn HS
Christopher Matei	American Heritage School - Plantation
James Russo	Chaminade HS
Nathaniel Hylton	Collegiate School
Saumya Mangalick	Edina HS
Karim Limayem	King High School
Isabel Quililan	Lake Highland Preparatory
Layla Christie	Miami Northland Senior
Madison Motroni	Millburn High School
Devin Leonard	Montville
Adrija Sircar	North Allegheny Sr HS
Rachel Kalmanovich	Pine View School
Rafael Foncillas	Regis High School
David Goldstein	Roslyn HS
Jun-Yong Kim	Seven Lakes High School
Carter Hrabrick	St. Joseph's Prep
Cooper Scher	Syosset HS
Caroline Gallagher	The Bronx High School Of Science
Valerie Trapp	Trinity Preparatory School
Eric Dilts	Western High School
Michael-Scott Greco	Xaverian
Israel Pierre	Xavier High School

B/R #201
A BILL TO CHECK NORTH KOREA

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A. The United States shall deploy two THAAD systems to Guam and

3 deploy an additional THAAD system to South Korea

4 B. The United States shall annually reallocate 2 billion dollars from the

5 declared Military and Defense budget to the Missile Defense Agency

6 (MDA) so as to develop THAAD systems.

7 C. The United States shall enact an embargo on North Korea.

8 **SECTION 2.** “THAAD systems” refer to the Terminal High Altitude Area Defense anti-

9 ballistic missile defense system designed to shoot down short, medium,

10 and intermediate range ballistic missiles. Additionally, “embargo” refers

11 to an official ban on trade or other commercial activity with a particular

12 country.

13 **SECTION 3.** The Missile Defense Agency (MDA) will work in conjunction with the

14 Department of Defense (DOD) to enact this legislation.

15 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go into effect immediately.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Christopher Matei
American Heritage School Plantation

B/R 202

**A BILL TO ENCOURAGE THE DEVELOPMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION IN ORDER
TO GROW THE AMERICAN ECONOMY**

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A. This bill shall require any high school seeking federal funding to demonstrate
3 that graduating students can pass a computer science competency exam.

4 B. This bill shall allow any student who scored within the 97th percentile and who
5 majors and graduates with an approved computer science degree to apply for
6 student loan forgiveness after five years of employment within a related field.

7 C. Any certified educator whose majority course load involves teaching a
8 computer coding course at a high school shall be income tax exempt if they fall
9 in the 10%, 15%, or 25% tax bracket.

10 **SECTION 2.** A. “Computer science competency exam” shall be defined as an exam created by
11 the College Board to test high school student coding proficiency.

12 B. “Approved computer science degree” shall be defined as a bachelor of science
13 in computer science, computer engineering, information systems, new media,
14 information technology, and/or information science.

15 C. “Related field” shall include but not to limited software developer, computer
16 system analyst, computer science engineer, network systems administrator,
17 database administrator, business intelligence analyst, web developer, computer
18 programmer, software systems developer, and software quality assurance tester.

19 D. “Certified educator” shall be defined as a professional who passes their state
20 certification requirements.

21 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Education in conjunction with the Internal Revenue Service
22 shall be responsible for the implementation of this legislation.

23 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go into effect for fiscal year 2018.

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

*Respectfully submitted,
Rep. Nathaniel Hylton
Collegiate School*

B/R #203

A BILL TO INCENTIVIZE MODERNIZATION IN THE CONSTRUCTION BUSINESS

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Construction firms that adopt Building Information Modeling (BMI) shall
3 be given priority when granting contracts. Moreover, the use of 5-D BMI
4 shall be encouraged, as this version provides projections of the schedule
5 and budget of a project.

6 **SECTION 2.** “Building Information Modeling” shall be defined as a digital
7 representation of the physical and functional characteristics of a project.

8 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Transportation shall over see the
9 enforcement of this piece of legislation

10 **SECTION 4.** Indicate the implementation in fiscal year 2019.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Madison Motroni
Millburn High School*

B/R #204

A BILL TO SANCTION ETHIOPIA IN ORDER TO END THE HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSE

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall suspend all military and economic aid to Ethiopia,
3 while allowing for the continuation of financial support for all current
4 humanitarian assistance programs.

5 **SECTION 2.** A. “Military aid” shall be defined as all weapons, military education and
6 finances that goes toward the Ethiopian military or police forces.

7 B. “Humanitarian assistance programs” shall be defined as food aid
8 programs

9 **SECTION 3.** The Department of State shall be charged with implementation of this
10 legislation.

11 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall take effect immediately upon passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Devin Leonard
Montville Township*

B/R #205
JUVENILE JUSTICE REFORM ACT OF 2017

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A. Mandatory minimums shall be abolished when pertaining to individuals
3 under 18 years of age.

4 B. Night time curfews for minors shall be abolished.

5 C. \$1.5 billion in block grants shall be provided on a state-by-state basis
6 proportionally based on in-state crime rates for the establishment of
7 juvenile rehabilitation programs.

8 **SECTION 2.** “Night time curfews” shall be defined as any state-imposed laws that
9 prohibit individuals under the age of 18 from being in public or business
10 establishment during certain hours.

11 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice shall be responsible for enforcing the
12 provisions of this bill.

13 **SECTION 4.** The provisions shall take effect on October 1, 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Rachel Kalmanovich
Pine View School

B/R #206
DIRECTIVE TO INVEST IN CHEAPER COVERAGE ACT

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States will negotiate lower Medicare Part D drug prices with
3 pharmaceutical corporations and close the existing coverage gap to the
4 rate of the initial coverage period.

5 **SECTION 2.** A. Medicare Part D, also known as the Medicare prescription drug benefit,
6 is a federal program to subsidize the cost of prescription drugs and
7 insurance premiums for beneficiaries established in the Medicare
8 Modernization Act of 2003.

9 B. The coverage gap, which comes into place after drug costs eclipse
10 \$3,700, shall be set to the same rates as the initial coverage period.

11 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Health and Human Services shall be responsible for
12 negotiating favorable prices.

13 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect six months after passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Jun-Yong Kim
Seven Lakes High School*

B/R #207

A BILL TO AUTHORIZE LETTERS OF MARQUE AND REPRISAL IN CYBER CONFLICT

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

2 **SECTION 1:** Congress hereby authorizes the President of the United States to issue
3 letters of marque and reprisal to respond to, or prevent, certain acts of
4 cyber-attack upon critical infrastructures of the United States, and other
5 similar acts of hostility committed in the future.

6 **SECTION 2:** Letters of Marque and Reprisal are defined by Article I, Sec. 8 cl. 11 of
7 the Constitution of the United States.

8 **SECTION 3:** The President is authorized to commission, under officially issued letters
9 of marque and reprisal, so many of privately equipped persons and entities
10 as, in his/her judgment, the Department of Defense or U.S. Intelligence
11 Community may require, with suitable instructions and compensation to
12 the leaders thereof, to employ electronic eavesdropping and intelligence
13 gathering, computer network attack (CNA), computer network
14 exploitation (CNE) and all electronic or digital means reasonably
15 necessary to attribute, stop, disrupt, deceive, or otherwise render
16 ineffective cyber-attacks conducted by unprivileged enemy belligerents
17 outside the geographic boundaries of the United States and its territories,
18 of any co-conspirator, and of any conspirator who are responsible for
19 cyber-attacks or aggressions perpetrated against the United States

20 **SECTION 4:** This legislation will go into effect at the start of Fiscal Year 2019.

21 **SECTION 5:** All other laws in conflict with this new policy shall hereby be declared
22 null and void.

*Respectfully submitted,
Rep. Caroline Gallagher, The Bronx High School of Science*

B/R #208
A BILL TO PROVIDE JORDAN WATER INFRASTRUCTURE

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States government shall allocate \$600 million in humanitarian
3 aid to Jordan to provide Jordan with water infrastructure.

4 **SECTION 2.** Humanitarian aid shall be defined as money used for the construction of
5 desalination plants, aqueducts, etc.

6 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) and the
7 Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will oversee the implementation
8 of this legislation.

9 A. USAID will oversee the usage of the money allocated in this
10 legislation.

11 B. The EPA will regulate desalinated water to both ensure and maintain
12 safe drinking water.

13 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will be implemented 6 months upon passing.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Eric Dilts
Western High School

B/R #209

A BILL TO AMEND THE LEAHY LAWS TO PROTECT RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Subsection “A” of Section 2378 of Title 32 of the United States Code shall
3 be amended to read “*No assistance shall be furnished under this chapter*
4 *or the Arms Export Control Act [22 U.S.C. 2751 et seq.] if any unit of the*
5 *security forces of a foreign country if the Secretary of State has credible*
6 *information that such unit has committed a gross violation of human*
7 *rights or if the Secretary of State has credible information that any foreign*
8 *country’s government has committed a federal action to limit religious*
9 *freedom.*”

10 **SECTION 2.** A. “Federal action” is defined as any legislation or executive action

11 B. “Religious freedom” is defined as those freedoms protected for US
12 citizens under the Constitution, including but not limited to the free
13 exercise of religion and free choice of religious affiliation.

14 **SECTION 3.** The Department of State and the United States Agency for International
15 Development (USAID) shall oversee implementation of this legislation.

16 A. The Department of State shall be tasked with continuing to monitor
17 and catalogues assaults upon religious freedom throughout the world.

18 B. The Department of State and USAID shall be tasked with the
19 distribution/withholding of “such units” as discussed in Section 1.

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Michael-Scott Greco
Xaverian High School*

B/R #210
**A BILL TO SANCTION MYANMAR TO END THE OPPRESSION OF THE
ROHINGYA PEOPLE**

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall impose economic sanctions on the Republic of the
3 Union of Myanmar until the oppression of the Rohingya people ceases.

4 **SECTION 2.** The economic sanctions are defined as the freezing of all assets held by
5 the Myanmar government in the United States.

6 **SECTION 3.** A. The U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Treasury will
7 be responsible for the implementation of this bill.

8 B. Sanctions shall be lifted if and when the Rohingya people are granted
9 citizenship with basic rights and liberties.

10 **SECTION 4.** These sanctions shall be implemented upon the immediate passage of this
11 bill.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Layla Christie
Miami Norland Senior H.S.*

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B/R #301
**A RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING PRESIDENT TRUMP TO REVERSE THE BAN OF
TRANSGENDER PEOPLE IN THE MILITARY**

1 **WHEREAS**, Transgender people are currently banned from joining the United States military
2 and

3 **WHEREAS**, Before President Trump implemented the ban, over 15,000 transgender
4 individuals were serving in the United States military; and

5 **WHEREAS**, The current status quo discriminates against people who are transgender via
6 emotional, economic and social impacts; now, therefore, be it

7 **RESOLVED**, By this Congress that President Trump should reverse his ban on transgender
8 individuals from serving in the military.

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Raani Olanlege
Achievement First Brooklyn High School*

B/R #302

A BILL TO DECREASE THE AMOUNT OF OFFICERS WITH LETHAL WEAPONS

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Federal Government shall allocate \$75 Million dollars
3 for all states that purchase and train state and local police officer in the use
4 of non-lethal weapons.

5 **SECTION 2.** Non-Lethal Weapons are weapons explicitly designed and developed to
6 incapacitate or repel personnel, with a low probability of fatality or
7 permanent injury, or to disable equipment, with minimal undesired
8 damage or impact on the environment.

9 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice shall oversee the implementation of this bill.

10 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall go into effect one year after passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Jonathan Bogen
American Heritage – Boca/Delray*

B/R #303
A BILL TO COMBAT TERRORISM

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A. The United States will send 1 billion dollars in military aid to Kurdish
3 forces in Iraq, Syria, Turkey, and Iran.

4 B. 1,000 US Special Operations Forces (SOF) troops will be sent to assist,
5 advise, and fight with the Kurdish forces.

6 **SECTION 2.** Military aid shall include but not be limited to firearms, ammunition, body
7 armor, and armored vehicles.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Defense (DoD) and the Department of State (DoS)
9 shall be tasked with the implementation and enforcement of this
10 legislation.

11 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be implemented upon its passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Jameson Burmeister
Boca Raton Community High School*

B/R #304

A BILL TO INCREASE THE REGULATION OF FOOD STAMPS

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) will tighten regulations on food
3 stamps through multiple means to protect the system from abuse.

4 **SECTION 2.** A. Employers shall be required to record social security numbers and average annual
5 income of employees and send a report to the USDA.

6 B. Employers shall be required to send a report to the USDA once an employee is no
7 longer employed by their business.

8 C. Individuals shall be required to report any change in number of cohabitants to the
9 USDA. An official shall be sent in to confirm the status of the number of cohabitants at
10 random.

11 D. A computer database would keep track of every individual's social security number,
12 his or her food stamp status, average annual household income, and number of
13 cohabitants. If there is a discrepancy between an individual's average annual household
14 income, number of cohabitants, and allotted amount of food stamps then the computer
15 database would flag the individual for review. If flagged for review an official would be
16 sent to confirm the data currently in the USDA database

17 **SECTION 3.** The USDA will enforce this legislation.

18 A. If the USDA finds that an individual purposefully misreported any information to
19 receive excess food stamps, then upon the first offence the amount of food stamps
20 received will be cut by 10%, then upon the second offence the amount of food
21 stamps received will be cut by 20% and they will be checked in on more frequently,
22 upon the third offence the food stamps will be cut indefinitely and if there are
23 children residing in the household then they will be taken out of the home.

24 B. If the USDA cannot currently provide sufficient funds, this Congress will provide
25 any additional funds needed for this project.

26 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be implemented within six months of passage..

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

*Respectfully submitted,
Rep. Madison Suszek
Parkersburg South High School*

B/R #305

BILL TO MAKE HIGHER EDUCATION FINANCIALLY ACCESSIBLE FOR ALL AMERICANS

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

2 **SECTION 1.** No institution of higher learning receiving federal funding may charge a
3 student a total annual tuition of over 10% of the student's household gross
4 aggregate income, when that household gross aggregate income is
5 \$200,000 or less.

6 **SECTION 2.** A. Federal funding is defined as funding from the United States Treasury
7 sent to the institution of higher learning.

8 B. An institution of higher learning is defined as an establishment that
9 offers formal learning for students who have completed secondary
10 education, including universities, academies, colleges, seminaries,
11 conservatories, and institutes of technology, as well as vocational schools,
12 trade schools, and other career centers of higher education that award
13 academic degrees or professional certification.

14 C. Higher education where it pertains to this legislation includes both the
15 undergraduate and graduate level.

16 **SECTION 3.** The U. S. Department of Education will oversee the implementation of
17 this legislation.

18 **SECTION 4.** This bill will be implemented immediately after passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Alexandra Bowman
Chantilly High School*

B/R #306

A BILL TO FINE COMPANIES TO INCREASE OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORKERS

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A. The American Unemployed Retraining Program (AURP) will be

3 created for the purpose of providing a college education to unemployed

4 individuals. This will be accomplished through student grants.

5 B. Companies will be charged one million dollars for every 1,000

6 workers they fire in place of a machine. The money collected from these

7 fines will fund the AURP.

8 C. The AURP will distribute grants by giving those beneath the poverty

9 line, those who must support families, and those who have been searching

10 for jobs the longest priority.

11 **SECTION 2.** A. “Unemployed individuals” will be defined as those who have been

12 actively seeking a job for 27 weeks unsuccessfully.

13 B. “Student grants” will be defined as money handed out to help pay for

14 tuition fees.

15 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Department of Labor will enforce the fines companies pay. The

16 AURP will be overseen by the Department of Education and shall control

17 the distribution of student grants.

18 **SECTION 4.** This bill will be implemented October 1, 2017.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Benjamin Nicholson
Pine View School*

B/R #307
A BILL TO ENACT DAPA AND DACA

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, and the Deferred Action for
3 Parents of Americans and Lawful Permanent Residents will be enacted
4 into law. Persons who age out of DACA will be given the opportunity for
5 permanent residence. The funding for this program, levied through a
6 capping of tax deductions to 28 cents on the dollar for the top 3% of
7 earners will be used to modernize and improve the immigration process.
8 Excess funding will be diverted back into the general reserve of tax
9 revenue.

10 **SECTION 2.** “Age out” shall be defined as the same as specified in the existing policy
11 announced in 2012.

12 **SECTION 3.** The U.S Citizenship and Immigration Services, along with the U.S.
13 Immigration and Customs Agency and the Department of Homeland
14 Security will provide enforcement. The approval of the funding increase
15 will come from the Congressional Budget Office.

16 **SECTION 4.** . This bill will go into effect one month after the indicated process is
17 completed.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Suhail Younus
Syosset High School

B/R #308
A BILL TO FUND THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A block grant program will be made available to all 56 states and
3 territories to pay and train public defenders. The block grant program will
4 provide a maximum of \$2.5 billion total on a yearly basis. Each state and
5 territory must receive a minimum of \$15 million, with the rest distributed
6 according to population.

7 **SECTION 2.** A. "Public Defenders" shall be defined as a public attorney appointed to
8 represent a defendant who cannot afford to hire one.

9 B. "Block grant program" shall be defined as a grant from the United
10 States that a state or territory can allocate to the local public defender's
11 office.

12 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice shall oversee the enforcement of the bill along
13 with the local circuit court.

14 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall be effective on the first day of the next fiscal year.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Garreth Hui
The Bronx High School of Science

B/R #309
A BILL TO CREATE A VICTORY PLAN FOR SOMALIA

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A. The Department of Defense shall increase its military aid budget in Somalia
3 by 20 million dollars for each of the next three years, earmarked for the purpose
4 of protecting humanitarian aid projects.

5 B. 100 tactical trainers shall be deployed to conduct training exercises

6 **SECTION 2.** A. “Existing humanitarian aid” includes but not limited to infrastructure
7 construction, and the delivery of food and medication.

8 B. “Trainers” shall be defined as troops tasked with instructing and advising
9 tactics of Somalia forces.

10 C. “Increase in Military Budget” shall be defined as funds given to Somali
11 Federal Government to be spent on troops, vehicles, or other tactical equipment
12 used to protect humanitarian aid workers and operations.

13 **SECTION 3.** The Department of State and the Department of Defense will enforce this
14 legislation.

15 A. The Department of State shall create a task force to ensure the military aid in
16 this legislation is spent on protecting humanitarian aid operations. The task
17 force shall report to Congress after each year, and aid can be suspended if the
18 results are unsuccessful.

19 B. Military trainers who are deployed in Somalia shall be selected by the
20 Department of Defense.

21 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect at the start of the next fiscal year.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Suchritha Patlolla
The Hun School of Princeton

B/R #310
A BILL TO DEVELOP THE NORTH-SOUTH TRANSPORT CORRIDOR TO
COMPETE WITH CHINA'S ONE BELT, ONE ROAD INITIATIVE

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

2 **SECTION 1.** All projects taken by US companies to build or provide supplies to the

3 Indian North-South Transport Corridor will be offered subsidies of 10%.

4 **SECTION 2.** All applicants must provide approved permits from the Indian Department

5 of Industrial Policy & Promotion and the Indian Ministry of Commerce &

6 Industry before subsidies will be granted.

7 **SECTION 3.** The Department of State's Office of Investment Affairs and USAID's

8 Bureau of South and Central Asian Affairs will oversee implementation of

9 this legislation.

10 A. Money for subsidies will be drawn from the USAID's budget.

11 B. The State Department's Office of Investment Affairs will verify all

12 permits from the Indian government.

13 **SECTION 4.** This will go into effect in the fiscal year of 2019.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Chase Jacobson
Winston Churchill High School

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B/R #401
A BILL TO STRENGTHEN SOUTH SUDAN’S ECONOMY

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall allocate \$32 million to the South Sudanese
3 Government in order to strengthen South Sudan’s economy and
4 international relations.

5 **SECTION 2.** South Sudan Government shall be limited to the Ministry of Agriculture
6 and Forestry & The Ministry of Education, Science and Technology.

7 **SECTION 3.** The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and
8 the Department of State will work in conjunction with the South Sudanese
9 Government to implement and enforce this legislation.

10 A. The Department of State shall oversee the implementation and create a
11 fiscal report every year.

12 B. If misused funds are recorded, aid shall be terminated.

13 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be implemented in fiscal year 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Kenzo Kimura
American Heritage Plantation

B/R #402

A BILL TO REDUCE INCOME INEQUALITY IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO ENSURE STUDENT SUCCESS

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The federal government will provide funding to school districts to ensure that each
3 district in any state can spend per capita on elementary and secondary students 75% of
4 the highest per capita spending in the state. Eligibility for this funding will be contingent
5 on districts meeting a national per-student spending minimum of \$7,600 prior to
6 accounting for student with special needs within four years of the enactment of this
7 legislation. The program will be funded by revenue generated by placing a cap on the
8 deductibility of state and local property taxes in determining federal income tax liability.
9 The cap will be \$10,000 or 100% of one's property taxes, whichever is less. States with
10 any districts below the minimum per-student spending will provide an improvement plan
11 for all schools in the state to meet the threshold within 4 years. If a state does not
12 demonstrate that all districts in the state meet the minimum per student spending
13 threshold within 4 years, the Department of Education will eliminate this funding for all
14 districts in the state.

15 **SECTION 2.** A. A national per student spending minimum shall be defined as a policy that sets a
16 threshold for the amount of money districts spend per student.
17 B. An improvement plan will be defined as a way for states to demonstrate that all
18 districts regardless of demographics will be able to meet the minimum student spending
19 threshold.

20 **SECTION 3.** The federal Department of Education, as well as the state departments of Education will
21 be in charge of the implementation of this bill.

22 A. The state departments will be responsible for providing an improvement plan in the
23 event a district in the state does not meet the minimum per student threshold.
24 B. The federal Department of Education will distribute funds, and eliminate funding
25 upon the misallocation of funds or failure to meet the eligibility requirements.

26 **SECTION 4.** This Bill will go into effect the academic year of 2019-2020

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

*Respectfully submitted,
Representative Saaajan Patel
Cary Academy*

B/R #403

A RESOLUTION TO URGE SOUTH KOREA TO ENABLE THE THAAD MISSILE DEFENSE SYSTEM

- 1 **WHEREAS**, North Korean aggression is increasing against the United States and its allies; and
2 **WHEREAS**, This aggression can lead to acts of nuclear violence against other surrounding
3 countries and even the United States; and
4 **WHEREAS**, Diplomatic solutions aren't a viable option because of North Korean belligerence;
5 and
6 **WHEREAS**, South Korea is a target for North Korean nuclear attacks and needs some type of
7 protection from said attacks; now, therefore, be it
8 **RESOLVED**, That the Student Congress here assembled urge South Korea to enable the
9 Terminal High Altitude Area Defense (THAAD) system.

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Avery Reyna
Charles W. Flanagan High School*

B/R #404

A BILL TO ELIMINATE THE DEFERRAL OF TAXES ON FOREIGN PROFITS

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall eliminate tax deferrals from the tax system. U.S.
3 multinational companies' overseas profits will be subject to U.S. taxes.

4 **SECTION 2.** A. "Tax deferral" shall refer to investments on which applicable taxes (typically
5 income taxes and capital gain taxes) are paid at a future date instead of in the
6 period in which they are incurred.

7 B. U.S. multinational companies have facilities and other assets in at least one
8 country other than the U.S.

9 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Treasury shall oversee the implementation.

10 A. The Department of Treasury will tax the worldwide income of all
11 multinational corporations headquartered in the U.S., regardless of where the
12 income is earned.

13 B. If a multinational company fails to pay the corporate income tax, the first late
14 payment will not earn a fine provided the income tax is paid within 12
15 months, but subsequent late payments will.

16 C. American companies that have incorporated overseas will face a 2% extra
17 charge following its second late income tax payment. Its fourth, fifth, and
18 sixth late payments will receive a 5%, 10%, and 15% late payment surcharge,
19 respectively

20 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect at the beginning of the fiscal year of 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Angela Yan
Dreyfoos School of the Arts*

B/R #405
A BILL TO END MINIMUM SENTENCING

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall no longer use mandatory minimum sentencing
3 policies in Federal Courts for all nonviolent drug offenders.

4 **SECTION 2.** Mandatory minimum sentencing shall be defined as sentencing that
5 requires offenders to serve a predefined term for certain crimes.
6 Nonviolent drug offenses includes any and all drug offenses without
7 casualties or injuries.

8 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Department of Justice shall oversee the implementation of this
9 legislation.

10 **A.** Courts and the judiciary shall have discretion of cases as they typically
11 do for crimes that are not under the branch of mandatory minimum
12 sentencing after the implementation of this proposal.

13 **B.** The proposal only applies to drug offenses that are nonviolent.
14 Mandatory minimum sentencing shall still apply to other crimes in
15 which it currently applies.

16 **C.** Current prisoners will not have their sentencing reduced.

17 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go into effect immediately after passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Cassandra Berlin
Hawken School*

B/R #406
A BILL TO ELIMINATE ASSAULT WEAPON VIOLENCE

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A. The manufacturing of all assault weapons for civilian use is hereby
3 prohibited.

4 B. The purchase of such weapons from primary or secondary retailers
5 shall be prohibited.

6 C. The manufacturing, distribution, or sale of ammunition for any such
7 weapon as defined below shall be prohibited.

8 **SECTION 2.** “Assault weapons” shall be defined as semi-automatic firearms with a
9 magazine of ammunition containing more than ten rounds that were
10 designed and configured for rapid fire and combat use.

11 **SECTION 3.** The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms shall establish an Illicit
12 Assault Weapons Sales Task Force to address the trafficking, dealing, and
13 sale of these weapons following the passage of this legislation.

14 A. 100 million dollars shall be allocated for the creation of this task force.

15 B. The Office of the Inspector General shall oversee the actions of this
16 task force.

17 **SECTION 4.** This shall take effect July 1, 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Hunter Hinson
Monte Vista High School

B/R #407

A BILL TO TERMINATE THE NFIP TO REAFFIRM RESPONSIBLE DEVELOPMENT

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A. The National Flood Insurance Program is terminated.

3 B. The Federal Emergency Management Agency will update all floodplain
4 maps.

5 **SECTION 2.** Floodplain shall be defined as an area of low-lying ground adjacent to a
6 river, formed mainly of river sediments and subject to flooding.

7 **SECTION 3.** The Federal Emergency Management Agency will oversee implementation
8 of this legislation.

9 **SECTION 4.** A. Section 1A of this Legislation shall be implemented March 1, 2019.

10 B. Section 1B of this legislation shall be implanted immediately upon
11 passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Max Plottel
Newton South High School*

B/R #408
**A BILL TO ESTABLISH A ONE-DAY NATIONAL PRIMARY TO PROMOTE
REPRESENTATION AMONG STATES IN THE PRIMARY ELECTIONS**

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Each State shall be directed to hold its primary election for Presidential
3 nominees on the first Tuesday in April of a Presidential Election year.

4 **SECTION 2.** States that fail to comply with this legislation will lose all of their
5 Electoral College votes for the general election of that year.

6 **SECTION 3.** The Federal Election Commission and the United States Election
7 Assistance Committee shall be charged with the implementation and
8 enforcement of this legislation.

9 **SECTION 4.** This law will go into effect for the 2020 Presidential Election.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Sophia Kianni
Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology*

B/R # 409

A BILL TO TAX SUGARY BEVERAGES TO REDUCE OBESITY AND DIABETES

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

2 **SECTION 1.** There will be a federal sales tax of 2 cents per ounce levied upon sugary
3 beverages and upon artificially sweetened beverages.

4 **SECTION 2.** Sugary beverages include any drinks that contain more than 1.5 grams of
5 sugar per ounce. Artificially sweetened beverages include beverages with
6 a minimum of 8 milligrams of saccharin, 15.625 milligrams of Aspartame,
7 2.25 grams of Acesulfame K, or 2.25 grams of Sucralose.

8 **SECTION 3.** A. The Internal Revenue Service shall oversee the implementation of the
9 tax.

10 B. All the money raised from the tax will be used to fund research for
11 weight loss, and prevention of cardiovascular diseases and diabetes at the
12 National Institute of Health.

13 **SECTION 4.** This tax shall be enforced by the beginning of the 2019 fiscal year.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Aditi Purandare
Unionville High School*

B/R #410
A BILL TO STOP THE SYRIAN REFUGEE CRISIS

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A. The United States shall give the nations of Yemen, Lebanon, Jordan,
3 Libya, and Hungary \$3 billion each annually in conditional aid.

4 B. The United States shall accept 35,000 Syrian refugees per year until
5 January 1, 2020.

6 **SECTION 2.** A “Syrian refugee” is defined as an individual who is currently fleeing the
7 persecution or conflict within the Syrian state.

8 B. “Conditional aid” will only continue to be granted to the above nations
9 if the respective state:

10 i. spends 90% of all aid received on food, water, shelter, education,
11 or other necessities in the refugee population;

12 ii. grants the United Nations High Commissioner on Refugees full
13 access to the state’s refugees and their living conditions; and

14 iii. is determined by USAID to be fit to receive the previously
15 defined quantity of the aid for the next fiscal year.

16 **SECTION 3.** The Department of State and USAID shall oversee this legislation.

17 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go into effect 30 days after passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Joseph Wisidagama
Xaverian High School*

B/R #411
A BILL TO MAKE OWNING CARS MORE AFFORDABLE

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States government shall create a Low Cost Auto Insurance
3 Program to assist those who cannot afford driver's insurance.

4 **SECTION 2.** The Low Cost Auto Insurance Program is to be defined as a government
5 issued insurance program, which will help drivers get insurance for those
6 who qualify.

7 **SECTION 3.** The US Department of the Treasury shall oversee the implementation of
8 this bill in all states.

9 A. States' Department of Insurance will set the requirements and pricing
10 for receiving the low cost automobile insurance program.

11 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall be enacted on January 1, 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Parker Martin
Lake Mary Prep

CHAMBER 5

Makala Saldenha-Raye

Harys Dalvi

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Thomas Catapano

Ethan Xie

Raiyan Hossain

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Jacob Moldover

Sebastien Limbourg

Raheel Abubakar

Stella O'brien

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Luke Qin

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Desert Vista HS

Freehold Township HS

Hawken

King High School

Millburn High School

Natick High School

Oxbridge Academy of the Palm Beaches

Ridge

Saint Joseph Hill Academy

Shrewsbury

Solon High School

Strath Haven

Stuyvesant HS

Success Academy Manhattan HS

The Bronx High School Of Science

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B/R #501
A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT KURDISH INDEPENDENT

1 **WHEREAS**, The Kurds are an invaluable ally to the United States in the fight against ISIS; and
2 **WHEREAS**, The Kurds are fighting for independence while simultaneously fighting enemies
3 to the United States; and
4 **WHEREAS**, The regimes of Turkey and Syria have grown increasingly oppressive and
5 opposed to the Democratic ideals of the United States; and
6 **WHEREAS**, An independent Kurdistan would be an important ally to the United States in a
7 turbulent Middle East; now, therefore, be it
8 **RESOLVED**, That the Congress here assembled support a vote for independence of the Iraqi
9 district of the Kurdistan Region; and, be it
10 **FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the United States support the eventual independence of Turkish
11 and Syrian Kurdistan.

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Harys Dalvi
American Heritage – Boca/Delary

B/R #502
A BILL TO EXTEND LABOR MARKET REGULATIONS TO
PROTECT EMPLOYEES OF THE GIG ECONOMY

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

2 **SECTION 1.** All labor regulations including social and labor protections shall be
3 extended to 1099 contractors who work in the Gig economy as their
4 primary source of income. These independent contractors shall have
5 protection equivalent to that of comparable W-2 employees.

6 **SECTION 2.** A. “Labor regulations” shall be defined as the regulations enforced by the
7 United States Department of Labor on W-2 employee’s.

8 B. “1099 contractor” is defined as a self-employed taxpayer who controls
9 his own employment circumstances.

10 C. “Gig Economy” is defined as the labor market consisting of freelance
11 work and short-term contracts through online applications.

12 D. “W-2 employees” are defined as employees whose payroll taxes are
13 automatically deducted from their paycheck and paid to the federal
14 government through their employer.

15 **SECTION 3.** The implementation of this bill will be carried out by the Department of
16 Labor.

17 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall take effect on January 1, 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Thomas Catapano
Delbarton School

B/R #503

A RESOLUTION TO REMOVE ANTI-MISSILE SYSTEMS FROM SOUTH KOREA

- 1 **WHEREAS**, Continued military escalation is detrimental to the Korean peninsula; and
2 **WHEREAS**, Terminal High Altitude Area Defense (THAAD), as well as many other anti-
3 missile systems are creating and escalating conflict in the Korean peninsula; and
4 **WHEREAS**, Continued escalation could lead to battles between North Korea and South Korea;
5 and
6 **WHEREAS**, South Korea, North Korea, and China have continued to oppose the deployment
7 of Anti-Missile systems; now, therefore, be it
8 **RESOLVED**, That the Student Congress here assembled make the following recommendation to
9 the Department of Defense to remove Anti-Missile systems from South Korea.

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Ethan Xie
Desert Vista High School*

B/R #504
A BILL TO REQUIRE ALL THOSE WORKING IN US PRISONS TO BE
TRAINED IN HUMAN BEHAVIOR

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Congress shall allocate 700 million dollars to the Federal Bureau of
3 Prisons to implement new training programs with the National Institute for
4 Corrections for every federal prison, including those run by private
5 corporations. These programs will be intended to inform prison guards and
6 workers about human behavior to prepare them to work with prisoners.

7 **SECTION 2.** The courses must teach concepts such as problem behaviors,
8 organizational behavior, conflict management, society, ethics, and
9 diversity.

10 **SECTION 3.** The Federal Bureau of Prisons shall oversee the implementation of these
11 programs in all US prisons.

12 **A.** The Department of Justice shall allocate 700 million dollars.

13 **B.** All federal prisons that fail to comply will be fined 10,000 dollars.

14 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go into effect immediately after passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Emma Sedlak
Hawken School

B/R #505

A BILL TO RESTRICT SEMI-AUTOMATIC ASSAULT WEAPONS

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The Public Safety and Recreational Firearms Use Protection Act is hereby
3 re-enacted.

4 **SECTION 2.** The Public Safety and Recreational Firearms Use Protection Act includes
5 a restriction on manufacture, transfer, and possession of certain
6 semiautomatic assault weapons and a ban of large capacity ammunition
7 feeding devices.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives shall be
9 responsible for the implementation of this legislation.

10 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall take effect immediately upon passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Jacob Moldover
Natick High School*

B/R #506

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION TO ENACT CONGRESSIONAL TERM LIMITS

1 **WHEREAS**, Career politicians have grown in influence in the political system
2 **WHEREAS**, Incumbents have large advantages in elections against challengers due to
3 special interest funding and name recognition
4 **WHEREAS**, These career politicians have become disillusioned from the interests of
5 their constituents and have moved away from passing beneficial policies
6 **RESOLVED**, By two-thirds of the Congress here assembled, that the following article is
7 proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which
8 shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when
9 ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states within
10 seven years from the date of its submission by the Congress:

11 **ARTICLE --**

12 SECTION 1: Senators will be limited to two six-year terms and
13 Representatives will be limited to six two-year terms, for a
14 whole maximum of twelve years in one single chamber of
15 Congress – either consecutive or nonconsecutive – in which
16 one individual can serve.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Anirudh Iyer
Shrewsbury High School*

B/R #507
A BILL TO PLACE A TAX ON HIGH FRUCTOSE CORN SYRUP

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A five percent sales tax shall be placed on all high fructose corn syrup
3 products. Collected revenue will go towards the United States Department
4 of Agriculture

5 **SECTION 2.** “High fructose corn syrup” shall be defined as either HCFS-42 (42%
6 fructose) or HCFS-55 (55% fructose).

7 **SECTION 3.** The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) shall be responsible for enforcing this
8 legislation.

9 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will be implemented by July 1, 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Luke Qin
Solon High School*

B/R 508
A BILL TO LIFT SANCTIONS ON CUBA

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States remove all sanctions and embargoes currently placed on
3 the Republic of Cuba.

4 **SECTION 2.** Sanctions and embargoes will include any special restrictions on travel or
5 trade between the United States and Cuba. Standard international travel
6 procedures and import inspections will remain in effect.

7 **SECTION 3.** The Department of State, Department of Commerce, and the Department
8 of the Treasury shall be tasked with the implementation of this legislation

9 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect 6 months after passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Andrew Spangler
Strath Haven High School*

B/R #509

A BILL TO INSTALL SAFE ZONES ON COLLEGE CAMPUSES

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. College Campuses are required to make at least two located areas that are safe zones, where free speech maybe limited to help students emotionally and have a break from everyday life.

SECTION 2. A. Safe Zones are defined as a place where some speech maybe limited in order to create safe and peace environment

B. College Campuses are defined as public campuses that receive government funding

SECTION 3. The Department of Education would over look this implementation. If colleges do not follow this then the government will take away 1/8 of their funding for their funding for the semester

SECTION 4. The provisions of this bill shall take effect one year upon its passage date.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Elena Soler
Success Academy High School*

B/R #510
A BILL TO IMPROVE UNITED STATES INFRASTRUCTURE

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A. Infrastructure spending is increased at a rate of \$150 billion annually
3 over 10 years.

4 B. This bill shall be funded by making corporations pay taxes on all of the
5 profits that they have shifted to the Cayman Islands, other offshore tax
6 havens, and other loopholes.

7 **SECTION 2.** “Infrastructure” is defined as roads, pipes, bridges, airports, and public
8 transit systems.

9 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Transportation shall oversee this legislation.

10 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will be enacted on January 1, 2022.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Emma Cassidy
Xaverian High School*

CHAMBER 6

Javon Williams	Achievement First Brooklyn HS
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Anthony Costarelli	Natick High School
Milan Chandy	Perkiomen Valley HS
Arnav Gupta	Ridge
Shilpa Gunuganti	Saint Mary's Hall
Ibrahim Chand	Scarborough High School
Lena Lofgren	Strath Haven
Petvy Li	Stuyvesant HS
Varun Jauhar	Syosset HS
Max Steiker	The Bronx High School Of Science
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Charles Caso	Xavier High School

B/R #601
A BILL TO REPAIR AMERICAN INFRASTRUCTURE

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The federal gasoline tax will be raised to 25 cents per gallon for standard
3 fuel and 39 cents per gallon for diesel.

4 **SECTION 2.** The federal gasoline tax shall be defined as the federal tax levied upon
5 gasoline sales in the United States.

6 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Transportation and Department of Energy shall
7 oversee implementation of this legislation.

8 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be enacted on January 1st, 2019.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Nicolas Fonseca
American Heritage – Plantation School

B/R #602

**A RESOLUTION TO CREATE A MULTI-CONTINENT COALITION TO STOP DRUG
TRAFFICKING ACROSS THE AMERICAS**

WHEREAS, Drug trafficking continues to run rampant across North and South America; and

WHEREAS, This illegal trade results in the needless and innocent loss of life for thousands
across North and South America; and

WHEREAS, A multi-continent coalition is needed to join these struggling nations together;
now; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Student Congress here assembled make the following recommendation
for the United States to align with MERCOSUR to create a project to put an end
to drug trafficking across both continents; and, be it;

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Student Congress will allocate 200 million dollars in funds
and 300 DEA agents to aid in starting the organization and training local officials.

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Natalie Navarrete
Boca Raton Community High School*

B/R #603
THE PHILIPPINES ENGAGEMENT, ASSISTANCE, AND COOPERATION
ENACTMENT OF 2018 (PEACE 2018)

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Federal Government shall undertake initiatives to
3 engage, assist, and cooperate with the Republic of the Philippines.

4 **SECTION 2. A.** A bipartisan congressional delegation shall visit the Philippines to
5 engage in policy discussions with government officials, non-governmental
6 stakeholders, and education and business leaders.

7 **B.** A free trade agreement with the Philippines shall be pursued if the
8 bipartisan congressional delegation determines that such agreement would
9 be economically advantageous to the Philippines and the United States.

10 **C.** \$2 billion dollars shall be allocated to humanitarian aid and
11 development operations in the Philippines, through the Filipino
12 government, Filipino non-governmental organizations, and Operation
13 Pacific Angel.

14 **D.** The Joint Special Operations Task Force-Philippines shall be re-
15 established to develop counterterrorism cooperation with the Filipino
16 government. The Task Force shall also work with the Filipino military to
17 eradicate threats on the island of Mindanao. An additional \$1 billion shall
18 be allocated to the Maritime Security Initiative specifically to develop
19 Filipino maritime security.

20 **SECTION 3.** The Department of State, the Department of Defense, the USAID
21 program, the Office of the United States Trade Representative, and this
22 United States Congress shall be responsible for the implementation of this
23 legislation.

24 **SECTION 4.** All components of PEACE 2018 shall go into effect no later than July 1,
25 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Alexander Gordon
Dreyfoos School of the Arts

B/R #604

**A BILL TO INCREASE FUNDING FOR THE BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, FIREARMS
AND EXPLOSIVES**

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Department of Justice (DOJ) shall increase federal
3 funding for the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives
4 (ATF) to 1.4 billion dollars a year.

5 **SECTION 2.** Federal funding shall be defined as any funds allocated directly by
6 Congress or by a federal agency.

7 A. The aforementioned funding will be used to help combat the illegal
8 weapons trade along our borders.

9 B. The funding will be used to hire more agents and appropriate
10 technology needed to bolster security along the US Mexico border.

11 C. The illegal weapons trade shall be defined as the trafficking of
12 contraband weapons and ammunition.

13 **SECTION 3.** The DOJ shall oversee the implementation of this legislation.

14 Furthermore, the DOJ, in conjunction with the ATF will be held
15 responsible for proper use of the funding

16 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will be implemented at the beginning of Fiscal Year 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Anwen He
Montville Township*

B/R #605
A BILL TO DISCONTINUE HIGH-VALUED CURRENCY

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The fifty and one hundred dollar bills will no longer be printed and no
3 longer need to be accepted by commercial businesses. Banks will continue
4 to exchange smaller bills for the fifty and one hundred dollar bills one year
5 after the bill takes effect.

6 **SECTION 2.** “Legal tender” shall be defined as it is in Section 31 U.S.C 5103 of the
7 Coinage Act of 1965.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Bureau of Engraving and Printing will stop printing fifty and one
9 hundred-dollar bills.

10 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect one year after passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Anthony Costarelli
Natick High School

B/R #606
**A BILL TO ELIMINATE FUNDING FOR SCHOOL CHOICE PROGRAMS TO
REFORM EDUCATION SPENDING**

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States government will cease spending \$350 million for
3 Charter School Grants and \$115 million for Magnet Schools Assistance
4 and eliminate any budget increases proposed in the 2018 Education
5 Budget.

6 **SECTION 2.** School choice programs are defined as any grants that offer the financial
7 ability of students to attend charter, magnet, or private schools.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Education will oversee the implementation of this
9 legislation.

10 A. The money that is saved from the elimination of this program may be
11 put to use in other areas of the Education Budget as seen appropriate.

12 B. The department will track the educational differences of students after
13 the implementation of this bill in comparison to those who took part in
14 the school choice programs of last year.

15 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will become effective in Fiscal Year 2019.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Shilpa Gunuganti
Saint Mary's Hall*

B/R #607
THE YEMEN ASSISTANCE ACT OF 2017

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall take the following actions to mediate the crisis in
3 Yemen:

4 A. Cease all arms sales to Saudi Arabia unless it is verified that they
5 are no longer intervening in the Yemeni civil war and terminate
6 their commercial blockade of United Nations aid.

7 B. Push for 5-way peace talks led by the United States and including
8 Iran, Saudi Arabia, Houthi rebels, and the Hadi-led government.

9 C. Increase cooperation with the United Nations to deploy \$500
10 million in humanitarian aid to the Yemeni people.

11 **SECTION 2.** Humanitarian aid shall be defined as aid aimed at preserving life and
12 restoring quality of life in Yemen, specifically through developing
13 infrastructure, improving sanitation and education, and providing
14 vaccinations, safe water, food, and medical supplies.

15 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Defense and Department of State will jointly oversee
16 the enforcement and implementation of Section 1A. The Department of
17 State shall oversee the implementation of Section 1B. The Department of
18 Defense and USAID shall work in conjunction with the United Nations to
19 implement Section 1C.

20 **SECTION 4.** This bill will take effect immediately upon passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Lena Lofgren,
Strath Haven High School*

B/R #608
A BILL TO REINSTATE THE VOTING RIGHTS TO
ALL EX-FELONS IN THE UNITED STATES

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

2 **SECTION 1.** All felons in the United States will have their voting rights fully restored
3 after the completion of their sentence.

4 **SECTION 2.** Voting rights shall be defined as the ability to vote in federal and state
5 elections.

6 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice shall oversee the implementation of this piece
7 of legislation.

8 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect immediately after passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Varun Jauhar
Syosset High School

B/R #609
A BILL TO INCENTIVIZE MANDATORY VACCINATIONS TO
BETTER AMERICA'S HEALTH

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Any state which mandates full vaccination schedules for all children
3 enrolled in public education shall receive an additional 2% of funding in
4 support of primary or secondary public education.

5 **SECTION 2.** The list of required vaccinations shall be based on the immunization
6 schedule recommended by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention
7 for the specified age level of the student.

8 **A.** The sincerely held philosophical and religious beliefs of the parent or
9 the student shall not be a defense to the provisions of this act.

10 **B.** The provisions of Section 1 shall not apply where a child is not
11 vaccinated upon the certification of a physician who certifies that the
12 student's health and physical condition would be endangered by such
13 vaccination, and that the physician has made such judgement by
14 conforming to the accepted standards of medical care.

15 **SECTION 3.** A. The Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of
16 Education will both oversee the compliance with this Act.

17 B. The additional funds needed as incentives for participating public
18 schools will be taken from the 2018 fiscal budget.

19 **SECTION 4.** This law shall go into effect on August 31st, 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Manu Onteeru
Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology

B/R #610

A BILL TO REDUCE RESTRICTED HOUSING FOR INMATES IN FEDERAL PRISONS

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

2 **SECTION 1.** All federal prisons reduce days mandated for restricted housing to a
3 maximum of 60 days for adult low level offenders.

4 **SECTION 2.** A. Restrictive housing, otherwise known as solitary confinement, will be
5 defined as housing that is used by correctional administrators to manage
6 offenders who may be disruptive within their facilities.

7 B. Restrictive housing entails physically removing inmates from the
8 general population of a prison, separating them from other inmates and
9 includes imposing restrictions on their movement, behavior, and
10 privileges.

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

12 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect on January 1st, 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Goldy Olivier
West Orange High School*

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Unionville
Watchung Hills Regional High School
Trinity Preparatory School
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B/R #701
A BILL TO INSTITUTE A HIGHER INCOME TAX

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The federal top marginal income tax rate shall be increased from 39.6% to
3 50.0%.

4 **SECTION 2.** The top marginal income tax rate shall include single filers, married filing
5 jointly, married filing separately, and head of household sections

6 C. The Single Filer Taxable Income shall include income of \$418,401
7 and above.

8 D. The Married Filing Joint Taxable Income shall include income of
9 \$470,701 and above

10 E. The Married Filing Separately Taxable Income shall include income of
11 \$235,351 and above

12 F. The Head of Household Taxable Income shall include income of
13 \$444,550 and above

14 **SECTION 3.** The additional revenue generated from this income tax shall be directed
15 toward the Highway Trust Fund.

16 A. The Department of Transportation in conjunction with the Internal
17 Revenue Service shall be responsible for the implementation of
18 this legislation.

19 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go into implementation during Fiscal Year 2019.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Arnav Mehra
Acton-Boxborough Regional High School

B/R #702

A BILL TO REFORM NARCOTICS CONTROL IN THE PHILIPPINES

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall encourage the Philippines to reform the Philippine
3 National Police organization.

4 **SECTION 2.** A. If adequate reforms aren't made to the Philippine National Police the
5 United States shall place sanctions on the export of electronic equipment
6 and aircrafts to the Philippines Define any ambiguous terms inherent in
7 the first section.

8 B. 5 million USD, contingent on adequate reforms being made, shall be
9 contributed to the narcotics control division of the Philippine National
10 Police upon compliance.

11 C. Adequate reforms shall be defined as implementation of anti-corruption
12 policies and use of non-lethal apprehension methods.

13 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of State and United States Department of
14 Treasury shall be in charge of the implementation of this legislation and
15 will determine whether reforms are adequate to avoid sanctions.

16 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect immediately upon passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Aamir Lacewala
American Heritage School Plantation*

B/R #703
A BILL TO BAN THE BOX TO HELP THOSE WITH CRIMINAL RECORDS ACHIEVE
EMPLOYMENT

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States will prohibit any employers from asking applicants
3 about criminal records on initial job applications.

4 **SECTION 2.** Employers may conduct criminal background checks after the initial
5 application in later stages of the hiring process.

6 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Labor will oversee the implementation
7 of this legislation and ensure compliance. Employers in violation of this
8 legislation may be subject to a minimum \$50,000 fine.

9 **SECTION 4.** This piece of legislation shall be implemented by August of the Fiscal year
10 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Aleksia Kleine
Cary Academy

B/R #704

A BILL TO STRENGTHEN THE HIGHWAY TRUST FUND

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A financial transaction tax (FTT) will replace the current funding
3 mechanism for the Highway Trust Fund.

4 **SECTION 2.** The Highway Trust Fund is a transportation fund which is currently
5 funded by a gas tax and focuses on construction and mass transit. A
6 financial transaction includes stocks and equities, bonds, options
7 premiums, etc.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Internal Revenue Service in conjunction with the Securities and
9 Exchange Commission will enforce a 0.5% tax on all financial
10 transactions within the United States.

11 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect in FY 2019.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. John Massa
Charles W. Flanagan High School*

B/R #705
A BILL TO REFORM THE US SCHOOL SYSTEM TO
IMPLEMENT YEAR-ROUND SCHOOLING AND REPRIORITIZE BUDGET ALLOCATION

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

2 **SECTION 1.** All schools that receive federal funding must adhere to the following:

3 A. Schools shall be required to implement a system of year-round schooling.

4 This year-round schooling must consist of the same amount of in school time
5 as before the enactment of this legislation.

6 B. Schools may not spend more than 10% of their annual budget on athletics
7 programs and must spend at least 70% of their annual budget on academics.

8 **SECTION 2.** A. “Year-round schooling” shall be defined as a schedule that lacks a 3-month
9 break period during the summer season.

10 B. “Athletics programs” shall be defined as any expenditure relating to a sport
11 including but not limited to: equipment, uniforms, travel, and field upkeep.

12 C. Academics shall be defined as expenditures relating to the sciences,
13 mathematics, history, language, technology, engineering, and the arts.

14 **SECTION 3.** The US Department of Education shall oversee the implementation of this
15 legislation. Any school that does not adhere to this legislation shall have their
16 annual budget cut by 30%.

17 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect at the beginning each school’s respective 2018-
18 2019 school year.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Cameron Hardy,
Dallastown Area High School*

B/R #706
A BILL TO FUND MICROLOANS IN LATIN AMERICA

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall give 500 million dollars to the Inter-American
3 Development Bank for the purpose of supporting its microloan program in
4 Latin America.

5 **SECTION 2.** The Inter-American Development Bank is a multilateral financing
6 organization with a goal of improving the economic status of individuals
7 in Central and Latin America.

8 **SECTION 3.** The United States Agency for International Development will oversee the
9 enforcement of the bill along with the specific enforcement mechanism.

10 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will be implemented on October 1, 2017.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Maya Levkovitz
Dreyfoos School of the Arts*

B/R #707

A BILL TO INCREASE FUNDING FOR DEVELOPMENT OF CYBER TECHNOLOGY

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The Department of Homeland Security shall increase allocation of funds
3 to the DHS Cyber Security Grant program in order to develop cyber
4 security technology.

5 **SECTION 2.** “Cyber Security Technology” is defined as physical technology used for
6 protection against criminal and/or unauthorized use of electronic data.

7 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Homeland Security shall allocate 11 billion dollars.

8 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall be adopted January 1st, 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Ella Attell
Hawken School*

B/R #708
A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION TO
OUTLAW THE REQUIREMENT OF VOTER ID'S

1 **WHEREAS,** Those who are lacking in the mandated form of voter identification are
2 barred from voting; and

3 **WHEREAS,** Voter identification laws exist in varying forms in 34 of the states and
4 thereby prevent a large population from voting; and

5 **WHEREAS,** Voter identification requirements range from driver's licenses to state-
6 issued identification cards, military identification cards, or any
7 identification card issued specifically for the purpose of voting; and

8 **WHEREAS,** The impoverished, ethnic minorities, and those living in urban areas are
9 less likely to be able to meet the requirements set out in these laws; and
10 now, therefore, be it

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

ARTICLE --

16
17 SECTION 1: All voter identification requirements shall be ruled
18 unconstitutional.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Ben Schachter
Summit High School

B/R #709

A BILL TO REINVIGORATE ECONOMIC INVESTMENT IN NORTHERN NIGERIA

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The U.S. will incentivize corporate investment into local developments in

3 Northern Nigeria by reducing corporate tax for participating companies.

4 A. Investment per company must be greater than or equal to \$20 million.

5 B. Investments should involve the contracting of private local companies
6 and labor.

7 C. Participating companies will have their corporate tax rate reduced to
8 25% for the qualifying fiscal year.

9 D. Investments can only be made to companies that adhere to the
10 guidelines of Title VII of the 1964 Civil Rights Act.

11 E. The conditions of Nigeria will be analyzed every 5 years to determine
12 the continuity of this legislation.

13 **SECTION 2.** Investments shall be defined as monetary contributions of \$20 million or
14 more to Northern Nigerian infrastructure, transportation, schools, medical
15 facilities, etc.

16 **SECTION 3.** The Department of State and the Department of Treasury shall work in
17 conjunction to oversee the implementation of this legislation.

18 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect Fiscal Year (FY) 2019.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Sydney Teh,
The Bronx High School of Science*

B/R #710 A BILL TO IMPROVE ACCESSIBILITY TO AFFORDABLE PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A. The Secretary of Health and Human Services shall, within 180 days of enactment of this bill,
3 issue regulations allowing wholesalers, licensed U.S. Pharmacies, and individuals to import
4 qualifying prescription drugs manufactured at FDA-inspected facilities from certified Canadian
5 sellers. After two years, the Secretary shall have the authority to permit importation from countries
6 in the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) that meet specified
7 statutory or regulatory standards that are comparable to U.S. standards.

8 B. The Secretary of Health and Human Services shall now have the appropriate authority to
9 negotiate pharmaceutical prices with on behalf of Medicare Part D

10 **SECTION 2.** A. Certified foreign sellers are defined as firms that (1) have been in existence for at least five years
11 and has a purpose for existing other than for this program; (2) if selling to an individual, does so
12 only after receiving a valid prescription; (3) can certify that the physical premises and data
13 reporting procedures and licenses are in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations in
14 Canada, and has implemented policies to monitor compliance; (4) conduct ongoing and
15 comprehensive quality assurance programs, including blind testing; (5) agree that laboratories
16 approved by the Secretary shall be used to test product samples; (6) receive a certification from the
17 Secretary of Health and Human Services that they meet the above criteria, including any of the
18 regulations determined by the Secretary of Health and Human Services, and renew their
19 certification every two years.

20 B. Qualifying prescription drugs must have the same active ingredient(s), route of administration,
21 strength as drugs approved in the U.S, and exclude controlled substances, anesthetic drugs inhaled
22 during surgery, or compounded drugs.

23 C. "Pay for Delay" deals are defined as deals made between a pharmaceutical company
24 manufacturing brand-name pharmaceuticals and a generic pharmaceutical competitor that delay the
25 entrance of generic pharmaceuticals into the market.

26 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Health and Human Services shall oversee implementation of this law.

27 A. Funds necessary to administer Section 1A shall come from an annual fee paid by certified
28 foreign sellers set by the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

29 B. Non-compliance with the ban on "pay-for-delay" deals shall result in a fine to be determined
30 by the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

31 **SECTION 4.** . This bill shall take effect immediately upon passage.

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

Respectfully submitted, Rep. Andrew Binder (Unionville)

B/R #711
THE PRISONER RE-ENTRY ACT OF 2017

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A. The United States Federal Government will mandate that all records of
3 federal nonviolent criminals and their crimes are erased when they have
4 completed their sentence and have been released back into society.

5 B. All employers will be prohibited from asking if a job applicant has been
6 convicted of a nonviolent crime.

7 C. States that comply with these policies will receive a 5% increase in
8 federal infrastructure funding.

9 **SECTION 2.** A. “Erase” is defined as completely wiping out all records of these crimes
10 and their access to the public, including to employers.

11 B. “Nonviolent crimes” are defined as crimes that do not involve the use
12 of force or injury towards another person.

13 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Justice will oversee the implementation
14 of this legislation.

15 A. The Federal Bureau of Prisons will enforce this legislation and
16 coordinate implementation.

17 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Roopa Irakam
Watchung Hills Regional High School

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B/R #801

A BILL TO REFORM F.E.M.A.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Only category 4 and 5 hurricanes measured on the Saffir – Simpson
3 hurricane scale and all 7.5 and higher magnitude earthquakes measured on
4 the Richter scale are eligible to be classified as Federal Emergencies by
5 the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

6 **SECTION 2.** A council of 9 members will be appointed by congress in order to evaluate
7 the request issued by the state following the guidelines set before by
8 FEMA and decide whether on not additional funds are necessary.

9 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Homeland Security shall oversee the
10 implementation of this legislation.

11 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall go into effect on January 1, 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Aryan Chaudhary,
Bancroft School*

B/R #802
**A BILL TO BAN ANTIPSYCHOTIC DRUGS TO NURSING HOME PATIENTS TO IMPROVE
THEIR HEALTH**

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Nursing homes in the U.S. are banned from giving antipsychotic drugs to
3 their patients and shall institute the Oasis program. Doctors prescribing
4 said medications to said patients shall also be banned from doing this.

5 **SECTION 2.** Nursing homes must dispose antipsychotic drugs based on local
6 regulations. Nursing homes are private institutions providing residential
7 accommodations with health care for elderly people. Antipsychotic
8 medications are drugs that treat psychosis, particularly in schizophrenia
9 and bipolar disorder. Oasis program trains nursing home staff how to deal
10 with dementia patients.

11 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Health and Human Services Department (HHS), and the Health
12 Care Financing Administration will enforce this legislation.

13 A. The HHS Department shall audit doctors and locations to ensure these
14 drugs are not administered.

15 B. The Health Care Financing Administration shall allocate 25% of their
16 funding to nursing homes to fund Oasis program implementation.

17 C. If these entities violate this law, the nursing home will close until
18 drugs disposed and doctors will lose their medical license.

19 **SECTION 4.** This bill will be implemented immediately upon passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Jonathan Boulanger
Charles W. Flanagan High School*

B/R #803

A BILL PROVIDE GENDER-RESPONSIVE SERVICES TO THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM

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

2 **SECTION 1.** This bill shall provide programming and funding for specific gender-
3 responsive services to young women in the system.

4 **SECTION 2.** “Gender-responsive services” are defined as evidence-based practices that

5 A. address the unique social, emotional, and physical, mental, and
6 behavioral health needs of girls in the juvenile justice system; and

7 B. address social and cultural factors affecting girls in and at risk of
8 entering the juvenile justice system; and

9 C. acknowledge the need for interventions that include histories of abuse,
10 violence, unhealthy family relationships, and substance abuse.

11 **SECTION 3.** A. This at will be overseen by the Department of Justice, specifically the
12 Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

13 B. The cost of programming will total \$5,000 per incarcerated female.

14 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall be enacted by 2022.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Allison Mitchell
Hamilton*

B/R #804
A BILL TO IMPLEMENT A BASIC INCOME

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

2 **SECTION 1. A.** Every United States citizen above 18 years of age and making less than
3 \$50,000 annually in outside income shall receive payments of \$1,000 per
4 month from the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

5 B. The Social Security Administration, Temporary Assistance for Needy
6 Families (TANF), and Medicare are hereby abolished.

7 C. Funds previously allocated to the programs listed in Section 2-B shall
8 be reallocated to the DHHS to make such payments, along with
9 \$200,000,000,000 from the Department of Defense.

10 **SECTION 2. A.** “Outside income” shall be defined as income not earned from the
11 payments outlined in this legislation.

12 B. “Payments” shall be defined as transfers of monetary currency from the
13 Federal Government to citizens either by means of cash or direct deposits
14 into banking accounts.

15 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Health and Human Services shall oversee the
16 implementation of this legislation.

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Andrew Avalos
Natick High School

B/R #805

A BILL TO ESTABLISH A DISASTER RELIEF INFRASTRUCTURE BANK

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States will create an infrastructure bank that allocates funds to
3 the states and to local governments for the purpose of creating 21st
4 Century natural disaster preparedness and disaster relief efforts.

5 **SECTION 2.** An infrastructure bank is an agency that complements existing federal
6 programs and provides loans and investments for projects that meet the
7 criteria.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) will be tasked with the
9 enforcement of this bill.

10 A. The infrastructure bank would act as an independent agency but would
11 be gain cash flow from the FDIC.

12 B. This program is funded primarily by the 60 billion dollar extension of
13 FDIC credit with the federal government.

14 C. The secondary source of funding would be from the FDIC member
15 bank dues.

16 **SECTION 4.** This bill would be implemented during Fiscal Year 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Aarushi Sahejpal
Presentation High School*

B/R #806

A BILL TO ALLEVIATE THE POWER OF PRIVATE PRISONS

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

2 **SECTION 1.**Juveniles will be banned from being sent to private prisons. Federal

3 funding for private prisons shall also be reduced by 50%, and the

4 funds will be reallocated to create more federal public prisons.

5 Current juveniles in private prisons shall be relocated to a federal

6 public prison.

7 **SECTION 2.**“Juveniles” shall be defined as those who are age 18 and younger

8 who have been charged or convicted of an offense.

9 **SECTION 3. A.**The Department of Justice will enforce the prevention of

10 juveniles from being sent to private prisons.

11 B. The Department of Treasury will be in control of regulating the

12 reduction in funding, along with its reallocation.

13 **SECTION 4.**This legislation shall be put into effect on October 1st, 2018.

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

15 void.

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Brandon Lee
Suncoast High School*

B/R #807
A BILL TO ESTABLISH PUERTO RICAN INDEPENDENT

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall grant Puerto Rico its sovereignty and establish Puerto
3 Rico as an independent nation over the course of a 10-year transition period.

4 During said transition period, the United States will:

5 A. Absolve 100% of Puerto Rico's current debt deficit;

6 B. Restore the Rum Tax Revenue Cover Over;

7 C. Eliminate the Merchant Marine Act of 1920;

8 D. Grant Puerto Rico Most Favored Nation trading status; and

9 E. Invest \$3 billion dollars into capital investment for the Puerto Rican
10 economy.

11 **SECTION 2.** A. The Rum Tax Revenue Cover Over is an excise tax of \$13.25 per proof-
12 gallon, where the revenue collected is then transferred to the Puerto Rican
13 government.

14 B. The Merchant Marine Act requires waterborne cargo between two points in
15 the United States to be transported on vessels that are American built, owned and
16 operated.

17 C. The Merchant Marine Act requires waterborne cargo between two points in
18 the United States to be transported on vessels that are American built, owned and
19 operated.

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

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Artea Brahaj
The Bronx High School of Science*

B/R #808

BILL TO INCREASE FUNDING FOR INVESTMENTS IN CLEAN ENERGY SOURCES

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

2 **SECTION 1.** An additional \$10 billion shall be allocated for investments in alternative,
3 renewable, clean, and sustainable energy within the United States, to be
4 distributed over the next 6 years.

5 **SECTION 2.** This bill is subject to re-approval every fiscal year.

6 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Energy shall oversee the funding and implementation
7 of this Legislation.

8 A. All funds will be provided through the normal fiscal year 2019
9 budgeting process.

10 B. Investments will include, but not be limited, to the subsidization of
11 new clean energy technologies, power plants, and research and
12 development.

13 **SECTION 4.** This law shall go into effect in the fiscal year 2019.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Mithra Dhinakaran
Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology*

B/R #809

A RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE DENIGRATION OF GROUPS IN A VERY PUBLIC MANNER

1 **WHEREAS**, Political and religious groups are being denigrated in very public matters;
2 and

3 **WHEREAS**, Due to what some have recently described as “domestic terrorist” events
4 (such as the white nationalist march in in Charlottesville, Virginia, or
5 activism by organizations such as Black Lives Matters), which have
6 included (but has not been limited to) injuries and deaths of civilians,
7 destruction of Confederate monuments, shootings by police, rising
8 financial issues for law enforcement, criticism of national leaders in how
9 they responded to these situations, and a further erosion of trust in the
10 media by United States citizens; and

11 **WHEREAS**, Social media and press coverage only perpetuates the popularity of these
12 groups; therefore, be it

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

18 ARTICLE --

19 SECTION 1: The denigration any one political or religious group of
20 people in a very public manner shall be excluded from
21 “freedom of speech” provisions covered by the 1st
22 Amendment.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Emilie Rott
Wellington High School*

B/R #810
A BILL TO SANCTION MYANMAR TO
MITIGATE VIOLENCE AGAINST THE ROHINGYA PEOPLE

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

2 **SECTION 1.** This legislation shall impose economic and military sanctions on
3 Myanmar.

4 **SECTION 2.** A. “Economic sanctions” shall be defined as a suspension of the
5 importation and exportation of consumer products to and from Myanmar.

6 B. “Military sanctions” shall be defined as a suspension on the transfer of
7 all military aid to Myanmar.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Department of State shall be charged with the implementation and
9 enforcement of these sanctions. The Department of State shall submit a
10 recommendation to Congress for the removal of the sanctions when the
11 following two conditions have been met:

12 A. The Burmese government grants citizenship to the Rohingya minority;
13 and

14 B. The Burmese government proposes a pant to mitigate future violence
15 against the Rohingya people.

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Luke Tyson
Sewickley Academy

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B/R #901
A BILL TO IMPACT THE ENVIRONMENT

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

2 **SECTION 1.** All building projects constructed on public land must adhere to
3 environmental impact studies conducted on said land.

4 **SECTION 2.** A. “Building projects” are defined as any planned construction of
5 structures such as housing developments, public facilities, or any other
6 large edifice.

7 B. “Public land” being defined as unappropriated land owned by the U.S.
8 government.

9 C. “Environmental impact studies” being defined as proof of no negative
10 impacts as a result of building upon public land.

11 **SECTION 3.** The Bureau of Land Management will oversee the implementation of this
12 bill.

13 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will be implemented on January 1, 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Elena Martinez
American Heritage School Boca Delray

B/R #902

**A BILL TO PROHIBIT SOLITARY CONFINEMENT FOR DISCIPLINARY SEGREGATION IN
IMMIGRATION DETENTION CENTERS TO ENSURE HUMANE TREATMENT**

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The use of solitary confinement for the purpose of disciplinary segregation
3 is hereby prohibited in immigration detention centers.

4 **SECTION 2.** A. Solitary confinement for the purpose of disciplinary segregation is
5 defined as imprisonment in which an inmate is subject to isolation from
6 human contact, with the exception of members of the prison staff, for 16
7 plus hours a day, for punitive reasons rather than for managerial reasons.
8 Immigration detention is defined as the policy of holding individuals
9 suspected of visa violations, illegal entry or unauthorized arrival, and
10 those subject to deportation and removal in detention until a decision is
11 made by immigration authorities to grant visas or release into community,
12 or to repatriate them to their country of departure.

13 B. Immigration detention center is defined as a holding place for persons
14 who have been detained pursuant to the prior definition of immigration
15 detention.

16 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Homeland Security will oversee the implementation of
17 this legislation.

18 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will be implemented on January 1st, 2018

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Cade Spector
Cary Academy*

B/R #903

A BILL TO AMEND THE "DEFAULT PROCEED" RULE TO ENSURE RESPONSIBLE GUN SALES

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The "Default Proceed" policy for federal background checks will now be amended to 15
3 days. All background checks must be reviewed to their fullest extent before a gun
4 purchase is approved.

5 **SECTION 2.** The "Default Proceed" policy is defined as the federal policy where federal agents have just 3
6 days to investigate for background checks of the National Instant Background Check
7 System.

8 **SECTION 3.** This legislation will be implemented by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco,
9 Firearms and Explosives.

10 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will be implemented immediately upon passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Ashika Jalagam
East Brunswick High School*

B/R #904
A BILL TO REMOVE CONFEDERATE SYMBOLS TO
RESPOND TO AND DISCOURAGE RACISM

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The government shall make it law that all Confederate symbols be
3 removed from public view, and only be viewable in one's private
4 property, out of the sight of the public.

5 **SECTION 2.** "Confederate Symbols" shall be any publicly viewable, and easily
6 recognizable, glorification and/or representation of any aspect of
7 Confederate hate and/or leadership, on public property.

8 **SECTION 3.** A. This process will be made possible through the utilization and
9 mobilization of the United States Department of Justice Civil Rights
10 Division, to both identify and remove these symbols.

11 B. An initial allocation of \$30,000,000, of taxpayer money, will be made
12 available to the United States Department of Justice Civil Rights Division,
13 with (if completed in a manner deemed diligent, by Congress) an
14 additional \$30,000,000, of taxpayer money, given to the United States
15 Department of Justice Civil Rights Division, each anniversary of the
16 enactment.

17 **SECTION 4.** This bill will be enacted immediately, and will have an expected
18 timeframe of exactly 5 years from the enactment date. If more or less time
19 is needed, this will be deemed so, by Congress, at a later date.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Jackons Boychuk
Fox Chapel

B/R #905
A RESOLUTION TO REFORM CONGRESSIONAL ELECTIONS TO
ENSURE REPRESENTATIVE REPRESENTATION

1 **RESOLVED**, By two-thirds of the Congress here assembled, that the following article is
2 proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which
3 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
5 seven years from the date of its submission by the Congress:

ARTICLE --

7 SECTION 1: Representatives will no longer be elected by
8 Congressional district. In each state, a statewide list-based election
9 will determine representatives. Political parties shall submit a list
10 of candidates to the ballot in order of preference. The list will be
11 as long as the number of representatives elected in that state.
12 Unaffiliated candidates may run so long as they form a preference
13 list of appropriate length. States may continue to have laws
14 regarding ballot eligibility. Voters will vote for a party list or
15 unaffiliated list. States shall allocate representation to lists based
16 on the results of the election. The representatives assuming office
17 shall be determined by taking the number required from the
18 preference ranked list. The formula for converting share of votes to
19 representation will be determined by the Congress, and must be
20 uniform for all States. A list must garner 10% of the popular vote
21 to be eligible to gain seats. Candidates may not appear on multiple
22 lists. States may determine their own special election procedures.
23 SECTION 2: The Congress shall have power to enforce this
24 article by appropriate legislation.

Respectfully submitted,
Rep. Michael Ryter
Newton South High School

B/R #906
JUSTICE REFORM ACT OF 2017

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

2 **SECTION 1.** This bill shall implement the following policies:

3 A. 18 USC § 3559 (c) shall be removed from United States Federal Sentencing
4 Guidelines.

5 B. Immigration lawyers, public defenders, and court-appointed lawyers for
6 minors and adults shall be required to have at least 2 years of training, while \$5
7 billion shall be allocated into the criminal justice system annually for the
8 purposes of increased training and increased hiring.

9 C. Mandatory minimums for nonviolent offenses shall be eliminated to allow for
10 increased judicial discretion, while the U.S. Federal Sentencing Commission
11 shall be required to revisit and reduce the maximum limit on federal sentencing
12 by the number of years that the mandatory minimums were set at.

13 **SECTION 2.** Judicial discretion is defined as a judge's power to make decisions based on
14 fairness or a weighing of the facts and circumstances, particularly in cases where
15 a party requesting relief or a benefit has no automatic or clear cut legal right to it.

16 **SECTION 3.** A. The Department of Justice (DOJ), the United States Federal Sentencing
17 Commission, and the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) shall be responsible
18 for implementing this legislation.

19 B. The Congressional Budget Office (CBO) shall be used to determine where the
20 \$5 billion dollars shall come from.

21 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall be implemented on October 1st of 2017.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Kishan Gandham
Ridge High School

B/R #907
A BILL TO PREVENT PAY SECRECY

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Corporations must make the amount of wages of all company employees
3 easily accessible to all company employees.

4 **SECTION 2.** “Easily accessible” shall be defined as available electronically and/or in
5 paper form to any employee.

6 **SECTION 3.** A. Any corporation determined to be in violation of this legislation will be
7 notified by the Department of Labor, and given a seven-day grace period
8 to rectify their error. If the violation persists past the grace period, the
9 company will be fined one thousand dollars for each week remaining in
10 violation.

11 B. The Department of Labor will oversee the enforcement of this
12 legislation.

13 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect January 1st, 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Maya McCollum
Shrewsbury High School*

B/R #908
A BILL TO REFORM ILLICIT NARCOTIC USE TO
COMBAT HE CURRENT AMERICAN DRUG CRISIS

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A. The punishment for possession of illicit narcotics up to a 10-day supply
3 is no longer a 1st or 2nd degree federal felony, and instead consists of a
4 citation and mandatory appearance at a discussion panel consisting of
5 legal, social, and psychological experts.

6 B. Rehabilitation care and treatment to discourage the use of narcotics and
7 help fight addiction to these substances will be available for all users of
8 narcotics free of charge and funded by the federal government

9 **SECTION 2.** A. Illicit narcotics are designated recreational drugs including the varying
10 forms and variations of Cannabis, Ecstasy, Methamphetamine, Cocaine,
11 and Heroin Opioids.

12 B. A 10-day supply of each of these substances is defined as: 1 gram of
13 Heroin, Ecstasy, or Methamphetamine, 2 grams of Cocaine, or 25 grams
14 of Cannabis.

15 **SECTION 3.** The Departments of Justice and Health and Human Services will jointly
16 oversee the implementation of this bill. \$200 billion will be allocated to
17 implement this bill from the Federal Budget yearly beginning in the first
18 fiscal year after its passage.

19 **SECTION 4.** This law will be implemented on January 1, 2019.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Aidan McGahey
St. Joseph's Preparatory School

B/R #909
A BILL TO AID VENEZUELA

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A. The United States will progressively lift sanctions on Venezuela.

3 B. The United States will give \$600 Million each year in \$150 Million
4 quarterly installments for Humanitarian aid and Infrastructure
5 Developmental aid to Venezuela.

6 **SECTION 2.** Both the Humanitarian aid and Infrastructure Development aid will be
7 administered in the form of categorical grants.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Department of State and USAID shall oversee the implementation of
9 this bill.

10 A. The Department of State shall evaluate Venezuela on a quarterly basis
11 to ensure that progress is being made and sustained.

12 B. If found that the aid is being misused, then sanctions will be re-
13 implemented on Venezuela with the termination of all future aid. The
14 Department of State reserves all control over which sanctions will be
15 lifted and re-implemented if applicable.

16 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect ninety (90) days after passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Gabrielle Cabeza
Western High School

B/R #910

**A RESOLUTION TO ENCOURAGE CHINA TO IMPLEMENT ADDITIONAL SANCTIONS
ON NORTH KOREA**

WHEREAS, North Korea has proven to be a strong enemy of the United States; and

WHEREAS, North Korea has developed a nuclear arsenal and conducted missile tests, thus proving their dangerous potential; and

WHEREAS, North Korea seeks to inflict harm on the United States and their allies; and

WHEREAS, The People's Republic of China has historically been the largest trading partner, protector and influential ally of North Korea; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Congress here assembled to make the following recommendation to encourage China to sanction North Korea by prohibiting all petroleum exports to North Korea.

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Genevieve Cox
W.B. Ray High School*

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B/R #1001
A RESOLUTION TO ENCOURAGE THAILAND TO RATIFY
THE UN PROTOCOL ON REFUGEES

1 **WHEREAS**, Rohingya refugees who have fled Myanmar only have Bangladesh and Thailand
2 to turn to; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Thailand's treatment of Rohingyas is significantly more humane than
4 Bangladesh's, but still leaves the refugees unprotected under law and the inherent
5 need for a solution; and

6 **WHEREAS**, The Rohingyas stateless-unprotected status creates a cycle of exploitation and
7 trafficking; and

8 **RESOLVED**, That the Congress here assembled make the following recommendation that
9 Thailand's government should ratify the 1967 Optional Protocol on the Status of
10 Refugees; and, be it

11 **FURTHER RESOLVED**, That following Thailand's ratification, the United States shall
12 allocate \$430 million in humanitarian assistance for Thailand's "refugee camps,"
13 and following conflict resolution in Myanmar, will assist in repatriating or
14 relocating the Rohingya out of Thailand.

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Ian Bluth
American Heritage School Plantation

B/R #1002
**A BILL TO STRENGTHEN US-ARMENIAN RELATIONSHIP TO UNDERCUT RUSSIAN
HEGEMONY OVER THE SOUTH CAUCASUS**

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

2 **SECTION 1.** \$150 million of military aid divided into equal increments of \$50 million
3 shall be allocated over the next 3 years to both strengthen the Armenian
4 military and strengthen ties between the United States and Armenia.

5 **SECTION 2.** “Military aid” is defined as money given to the Armenian government for
6 the purpose of training military troops and purchasing weapons for
7 defense.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Defense, in conjunction with the Department of State,
9 shall oversee the implementation of this bill.

10 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall take effect in Fiscal Year 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Thomas Bizub
Delbarton School*

B/R #1003

A BILL TO IMPLEMENT A NATIONAL GREEN BANK TO TACKLE CLIMATE CHANGE

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The Secretary of the Treasury shall issue bonds in the amount of \$10 billion for the start
3 of a National Green Bank. The bonds will be awarded to clean energy projects that
4 involve: solar power, wind power, next generation biofuels from nonfood livestock, and
5 infrastructure.

6 **SECTION 2.** A. “Clean Energy Projects” shall be defined as electricity generation, transmission,
7 storage, heating, cooling, transportation, distribution, industrial process, or manufacturing
8 project whose primary purpose is the deployment, development, or production of an
9 energy system or technology that avoids, reduces, or sequesters air pollutants or
10 anthropogenic greenhouse gases.

11 B. “Green Bank” (Green Investment Bank) shall be defined as a financial institution that
12 uses innovative financing techniques and market development tools in partnership with
13 the private sector to accelerate deployment of clean energy technologies.

14 I. The Secretary of the Treasury (or Secretary's appointee) will serve as head of
15 the Green Bank's Board. Other members on the board will be: The Secretary of
16 Energy (or Secretary's appointee) and The Secretary of Transportation (or Secretary's
17 appointee)

18 II. Congress will appoint four additional board members with a simple majority
19 in both houses: one member with expertise regarding renewable energy, one member
20 with expertise regarding finance, one member with expertise regarding electric
21 utilities, and one member with expertise regarding sustainable transportation. These
22 board members will decide which organizations can receive a bond. These four
23 members will constitute a quorum.

24 **SECTION 3.** The Secretary of the Treasury shall be responsible for collecting debt from organizations
25 that take on the responsibility of the bonds and it decides the duration of the bond.

26 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall go into effect on FY19.

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

*Respectfully submitted,
Rep. Shane McHugh
Holy Ghost Prep*

B/R #1004
THE PHARMACEUTICAL COMPETITION ACT OF 2017

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Steps shall be taken to increase competition in the pharmaceutical
3 industry.

4 **SECTION 2.** A. Pharmaceutical drugs may be purchased and imported for personal use
5 by individuals, or for sale by businesses, from any foreign country with
6 which the United States does not have an active trade embargo.

7 B. Foreign pharmaceutical drugs may be physically carried or shipped into
8 the United States, shall not require FDA approval for sale or consumption,
9 and may be transported to, and consumed in, any US state.

10 C. Patents on pharmaceutical drugs, or chemical compositions thereof,
11 may only be held for 20 years. Any such existing patents which have been
12 held for 20 years or longer shall hereby be rescinded.

13 **SECTION 3.** A. The Food and Drug Administration shall be responsible for enforcing
14 the provisions of this bill.

15 B. Any state or domestic legal jurisdiction not in compliance with the
16 provisions of this legislation shall be ineligible for 50% of all federally-
17 provided healthcare-related funding.

18 **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this bill shall take effect immediately upon passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Hannah Wang
Pine View School

B/R #1005

**A BILL TO ABOLISH SOLITARY CONFINEMENT IN PRISONS TO BETTER PROTECT
MENTAL HEALTH OF INMATES**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall abolish solitary confinement in federal and state prisons
3 across the nation.

4 **SECTION 2.** Solitary Confinement shall be defined as the isolation of a prisoner as a means of
5 punishment. A Federal Prison shall be defined as a prison that is contracted out or
6 run by the Federal Bureau of Prisons. A State Prison shall be defined as a prison
7 run by state correctional authorities or contracted out by a state government.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice shall be responsible for coordinating with federal and
9 state authorities in order to phase out the use of solitary confinement.

10 A. Any federal or state prison that continues to use solitary confinement after the
11 implementation of this legislation shall be shut down by the Department of
12 Justice immediately.

13 **SECTION 4.** This bill will take effect immediately upon passage.

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

Respectfully Submitted ,

*Rep. Adit Roy
Ridge High School*

B/R #1006
IMMIGRATION SECURITY REFORM ACT OF 2017

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A. The United States shall provide an additional \$250 million annually to
3 the Department of Homeland Security to expand and enhance both
4 physical and virtual border security infrastructure

5 B. The Department of State shall be given \$100 million provide a visa
6 screening program to background check all visa applicants for
7 international criminal behavior.

8 C. The Executive Office for Immigration Review shall receive an
9 additional \$50 million annually to prevent court backlog.

10 **SECTION 2.** A. “Physical border security” shall be defined as more secure fencing and
11 physical barriers to the border to prevent illegal crossings.

12 B. “Virtual border security” shall be defined as cameras, drones, sensors,
13 and other surveillance technologies to better detect and respond to illegal
14 crossings.

15 **SECTION 3.** A. The Department of Homeland Security and the Department of Justice
16 shall oversee the enforcement of this legislation.

17 B. Any local government in noncompliance with federal immigration
18 standards under this legislation or previous statutes shall no longer be
19 eligible to receive federal block grants

20 **SECTION 4.** This bill will take effect in the Fiscal Year 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Hunter Brown,
Spring Woods High School*

B/R #1007
BILL TO LOWER THE DRINKING AGE TO
PROTECT THE RIGHTS OF YOUNG ADULTS

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The Federal Government sets a minimum drinking age of 18 years of age.

3 **SECTION 2.** A. 23 U.S. Code § 158 (National Minimum Drinking Age Act) will be
4 amended to account for this change.

5 B. States not in minimum compliance with this change face an 8%
6 reduction in Federal Highway Funding.

7 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice's Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and
8 Explosives shall oversee the implementation of this legislation.

9 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go into effect the first fiscal year after its passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Patrick Adams
St. Joseph's Preparatory School

B/R #1008

**A RESOLUTION TO ACCELERATE NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT TO
REDUCE THE SIZE OF THE AMERICAN NUCLEAR ARSENAL**

1 **WHEREAS**, The American nuclear arsenal is excessively large at 6,800 weapons; and

2 **WHEREAS**, The United States possesses enough nuclear weapons to destroy the planet many
3 times over; and

4 **WHEREAS**, Maintenance of a nuclear arsenal of such a large size costs us about 20 billion
5 dollars each year and contributes to a boondoggling defense budget; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Recent events have contributed to geopolitical instability, escalating the threat of
7 a global, and possibly nuclear conflict; and

8 **WHEREAS**, A nuclear conflict would cause catastrophic and unprecedented destruction and
9 harm to the United States, as well as the greater human race; now, therefore, be it

10 **RESOLVED**, That the Student Congress here assembled take steps to extend the New Start
11 Treaty enacted in 2011 until 2026; and, be it

12 **FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the Student Congress here assembled take further steps to
13 reduce the United States' nuclear arsenal.

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Robert Greene
Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology*

B/R #1009
A BILL TO ESTABLISH ELECTION DAY AS A FEDERAL HOLIDAY TO
PROMOTE ELECTORAL PARTICIPATION

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The first Tuesday after the first Monday in November on every even-
3 numbered year (Election Day) be instituted as a federal holiday.

4 **SECTION 2.** Federal Holiday is defined as a holiday officially established by the United
5 States in which private-sector employees may not be required to work by
6 their employers.

7 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Labor will oversee implementation of this piece of
8 legislation.

9 **SECTION 4.** The piece of legislation will go into effect immediately.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Sen. Jace Cookson
West Orange High School

B/R #1010
A BILL TO PROMOTE COMMON CENTS THROUGH THE DISCONTINUATION
OF THE PENNY

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall cease production of the penny and begin the
3 process of removing existing pennies from circulation. All cash
4 transactions will round to the nearest amount possible.

5 **SECTION 2.** "Penny" shall refer to any legal tender issued by the Unites States with a
6 value of 1/100 of one dollar.

7 **SECTION 3.** The United States Mint will shall oversee removal of the penny from
8 circulation.

9 **SECTION 4.** This bill will take effect on January 1st, 2019.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. John McGee
Xavier High School

B/R #1011

A BILL TO COUNTER NORTH KOREAN AGGRESSION IN THE PACIFIC

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A. The United States will deploy THAAD missile systems in Seoul,
3 South Korea and Hagåtña, Guam to counter the blatant threats posed to
4 our allies by North Korea's continued missile testing.

5 B. The United States military will continue to use both the Patriot and the
6 Aegis systems that are currently deployed in the Pacific region.

7 **SECTION 2.** A. The United States military will continue to use both the Patriot and the
8 Aegis systems that are currently deployed in the Pacific region.

9 B. The Terminal High Altitude Area Defense (THAAD) is a defensive,
10 American anti-ballistic missile defense system designed to intercept short,
11 medium, and intermediate range ballistic missiles.

12 C. The Patriot (MIM-104) is a long-range, all-altitude all-weather air
13 defense system designed to counter tactical ballistic missiles, cruise
14 missiles and advanced aircraft.

15 D. The Aegis Ballistic Missile Defense System (ABMD) is program
16 implemented by the United States Department of Defense Missile Defense
17 Agency to provide missile defense against short to intermediate-range
18 ballistic missiles.

19 **SECTION 3.** The United States Special Operations Command and the Department of
20 Defense will oversee the implementation of this bill.

21 **SECTION 4.** This bill will take effect immediately after the passage of this legislation.

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

*Respectfully submitted,
Rep. Ryan Malloy
Chaminade High School*

CHAMBER 11

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B/R #1101
A BILL TO SEND INFRASTRUCTURE AID TO
UZBEKISTAN AND KYRGYZSTAN

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall send three billion dollars in the form of water
3 infrastructure aid to Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan.

4 **SECTION 2.** Each country shall receive 1.5 billion dollars out of the three billion dollar
5 total sent. Aid will be sent in the form of block grants to each country's
6 government in order to improve water infrastructure.

7 **SECTION 3.** The Department of State will be in charge of allocating the funding, and
8 overseeing its proper usage.

9 A. If the aid is misallocated, it shall be retracted from the given country.

10 B. If either country makes an aggressive attempt to secure regional
11 reservoirs aid shall also be retracted from the given country.

12 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Satya Alagarsamy
American Heritage School Plantation

B/R #1102
ENVIRONMENTAL FUTURE PROTECTION ACT OF 2017

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

2 **SECTION 1.** All oil and natural gas subsidies shall be phased out within the next twenty
3 years. A minimum of five percent of current subsidies shall be phased out
4 each year until the conclusion of the twenty year period.

5 **SECTION 2.** Oil and natural gas subsidies shall be defined as government actions that
6 lower the cost of their production, lower the price paid by their consumers,
7 or increase the price received by their producers.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Energy shall oversee implementation and enforcement
9 of this legislation by adjusting its budget each year to account for gradual
10 changes.

11 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall be enacted one year following passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Ben Lipson
Cary Academy*

B/R #1103
A BILL TO REFORM UNITED STATES/MEXICO IMMIGRATION POLICIES TO PROTECT
THE INTERESTS OF AMERICANS

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

2 **SECTION 1.** United States shall prohibit people who have entered the United States
3 illegally from Mexico from ever reentering the United States legally.

4 **SECTION 2.** Illegal immigrants are defined as non-citizens who have entered the
5 United States by crossing the Mexican border without government
6 permission or have stayed beyond the termination date of a visa.

7 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Homeland Security, specifically the United States
8 Customs and Border Protection and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration
9 Services will oversee the implementation of this bill.

10 **SECTION 4.** This bill will be implemented 6 months after its passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Kaitlyn Cheng
Chantilly High School

B/R #1104
THE INMATE REHABILITATION ACT

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

2 **SECTION 1.** All inmates suffering from addiction or incarcerated for drug abuse/use
3 will be enrolled in 12-week Cognitive-Behavioral Therapy (CBT) or a
4 Residential Drug Abuse Program (RDAP). All inmates who successfully
5 complete the rehabilitation programs and serve their sentences will have
6 their voting rights restored.

7 **SECTION 2.** The length of the inmate's sentence determines whether an inmate
8 receives CBT or RDAP treatment. If the sentence of the inmate is less than
9 9 months, they will receive CBT treatment. If the sentence of the inmate is
10 longer than 9 months, they will receive both CBT and RDAP treatment.
11 For current inmates, the remainder of the sentence left will determine the
12 type of treatment program they receive.

13 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice and the Bureau of Prisons will be responsible
14 for the implementation and enforcement of this legislation.

15 A. Representatives appointed by the Bureau of Prisons and Department of
16 Justice, determined by the number and size of prisons in the state (no less
17 than 20), will publish reports on the compliance of each state bi-annually.

18 B. All states failing to comply completely, (determined by the reports),
19 will be first be issued a warning. For every account of noncompliance, the
20 state in contention will have their federal funding for their prisons reduced
21 by 15% immediately.

22 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect immediately.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Tina Tarighian
Millburn High School*

B/R #1105
A BILL TO END AFFIRMATIVE ACTION IN HIGHER EDUCATION

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Higher education institutions shall be prohibited from granting preferential treatment to
3 race, ethnicity or gender. In addition, applications shall be prohibited from including any
4 question regarding races, ethnicity, or gender and names shall be obscured from
5 admission officers.

6 **SECTION 2.** The definitions for race, ethnicity, and gender shall follow the Department of Education's
7 definitions from the Federal Register Vol. 72 No.202 pages 59266 to 59279.

8 **SECTION 3. A.** The Department of Education shall oversee the implementation of this
9 bill.

10 B. Institutions in violation of this bill shall not be eligible for federal
11 funds.

12 **SECTION 4.** This bill will take effect for the 2019-2020 school year applications.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Daniel Ng
Monte Vista High School

B/R #1106

A BILL TO REFORM DRUG REHABILITATION METHODS

TO BETTER ALLEVIATE THE OPIOID CRISIS

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A. The Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant (SPBG)

3 shall receive an additional \$500 million annually for five years, with the
4 additional funds reserved for rehabilitation programs focusing on the
5 implementation of Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT).

6 B. The Adult Drug Court Discretionary Grant Program will receive an
7 additional \$10 million in funding annually for five years. Drug courts
8 receiving grants must offer MAT. Prison sentences imposed by grantees
9 must not be longer than the initial prison sentence for the individual's
10 crime.

11 **SECTION 2.** Medication-Assisted Treatment shall be defined by Substance Abuse and
12 Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) guidelines.

13 **SECTION 3.** A. SAMHSA will implement §1A and the Department of Justice will
14 implement §1B.

15 B. The CBP Office of Field Operations, Drug Enforcement Agency, and
16 Immigrations and Customs Enforcement will have their budgets reduced
17 respectively by \$1 billion, \$50 million, \$1.5 billion, spread evenly over a
18 five-year period to fund §1.

19 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect in FY2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Amy Xiao
Newton South High School*

B/R #1107
THE ASIAN STABILITY ACT OF 2017

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A. The United States shall immediately complete the construction of a
3 Terminal High Altitude Area Defense (THAAD) battery on the South
4 Korean mainland.

5 B. The United States shall deploy one THAAD battery in the South China
6 Sea off the coast of Japan.

7 C. The United States shall deploy one THAAD battery in the Yellow Sea.

8 **SECTION 2.** A “Terminal High Altitude Area Defense battery” is defined as a missile
9 defense system equipped with at least six launcher vehicles, eight missiles,
10 two mobile tactical operation centers, and a AN/TPY-2 ground based
11 radar.

12 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Defense will oversee the enforcement of the bill.

13 **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this legislation shall be enforced immediately upon
14 passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Edward Brunicardi
Pine View School

B/R #1108
A BILL TO LIMIT THE UNITED STATES NUCLEAR ARSENAL

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The construction of new nuclear processing facilities will be canceled. The
3 development of new ICBMs will be canceled and the current ICBM fleet
4 will be reduced by 50% by 2022.

5 **SECTION 2.** “Nuclear processing facilities” are defined as any facility where materials
6 are processed to power nuclear weapons.

7 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Defense is responsible for the implementation of this
8 legislation.

9 **SECTION 4.** This bill will be implemented immediately after passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Devyn Sword
St. Joseph Hill Academy

B/R #1109
THE JUSTICE ASSISTANCE FOR ALL ACT OF 2017

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall allocate an additional \$1 billion over a period of 5 years to the
3 expansion, modernization, and maintenance of drug and mental health courts, with \$200
4 million allocated per year.

5 A. \$500 million shall be allocated to the expansion of drug courts.

6 B. \$500 million shall be allocated to the expansion of mental health courts.

7 C. Funding distribution and timing can be altered by a joint decision between the
8 Bureau of Justice Assistance and the Department of Health and Human Services.

9 **SECTION 2.** A. A drug court is defined as a specialized court docket program that targets criminal
10 defendants and offenders, juvenile offenders, and parents with pending child welfare
11 cases who have alcohol and other drug dependency problems that combines judicial
12 supervision with addiction rehabilitation and other support services.

13 B. A mental health court is defined as a specialized court docket program that targets
14 those with mental health issues that combines judicial supervision with community
15 mental health treatment and other support services in order to reduce criminal activity
16 and improve the quality of life of participants.

17 **SECTION 3.** A. The Bureau of Justice Assistance in conjunction with the Department of Justice, The
18 Department of Health and Human Services and State Justice Departments shall be
19 responsible for the expansion and monitoring of court programs.

20 B. The Bureau of Justice Assistance shall work with the Department of Justice to
21 distribute funding.

22 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go into effect at the beginning of Fiscal Year 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Nathan Felmus
The Bronx High School of Science

B/R #1110
A BILL TO ELIMINATE MANDATORY MINIMUMS TO
RESTORE JUSTICE IN THE JUSTICE SYSTEM

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

2 **SECTION 1.** All federal mandatory minimum sentences for non-violent drug crimes are
3 hereby abolished. Funds saved from reduced prison populations shall be
4 used to create drug-rehabilitation programs.

5 **SECTION 2.** A. “Mandatory minimums” shall be defined as a minimum sentence
6 required for a particular crime, regardless of the judge’s discretion.

7 B. “Non-violent drug crimes” are crimes relating to controlled substances
8 that do not have a violent component.

9 **SECTION 3.** A. The Department of Justice shall be responsible for the implementation
10 of this legislation.

11 B. The Congressional Budget Office shall be responsible for the spending
12 analysis required under Section 1.

13 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect one year after its passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Matthew Saenz
Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology

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B/R #1201
THE CHASE ACT

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Federal Government will hereby separate federal
3 funding for STEM programs in half. Half of the funding will continue to
4 go to STEM programs, while the remaining half will go towards CHASE
5 programs.

6 **SECTION 2.** The CHASE programs are defined as classes taught to prepare high school
7 students about the reality of life through Culture, Humanities, Arts and
8 Social Education. An example range of courses would be: Personal
9 Finance, Logic and Reasoning, Industrial Education, Home Economics, as
10 well as more personalized, regional classes, such as the history of your
11 state and Native American Studies, however the exact curriculum
12 developed is decided state by the state.

13 **SECTION 3.** The US Department of Education will work the U.S. Treasury Department
14 to ensure funding and ability to teach.

15 • The US Department of Education will ensure parallelism between the budgets and
16 classes of STEM and CHASE.

17 C. The US Treasury will allocate the same amount of money to both
18 STEM and CHASE programs.

19 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect on July 1, 2020, and CHASE classes will begin
20 the school year of 2020-2021.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Chase Freeman
American Heritage School Plantation

B/R #1202
A BILL TO COMBAT FAMINE IN AFRICA

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States dedicate \$500,000,000 towards humanitarian assistance
3 in South Sudan, Somalia, and Nigeria annually over the next 10 years. The
4 United States shall also deploy US ground troops in order to protect this
5 aid.

6 **SECTION 2.** Humanitarian aid shall be defined as food, water, and infrastructure.

7 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Defense, along with USAID shall be responsible for
8 the implementation of this legislation.

9 A. The United States shall deploy a total 10,000 ground troops to protect
10 this aid in South Sudan, Somalia, and Nigeria.

11 B. Any troops deployed shall be used for the sole purpose of delivering
12 humanitarian aid, and/or protecting the aids' delivery.

13 C. This legislation shall be reviewed biennially, but will not expire until
14 October 1st 2018.

15 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go into effect on October 1st 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Christopher Hamilton
Apopka High School

B/R #1203

A BILL TO COMBAT THE OPIOID EPIDEMIC IN THE UNITED STATES

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A. The United States will recommend that the Food and Drug Administration

3 (FDA) switch Naloxone from a prescription drug to an over-the-counter drug.

4 B. The United States will not criminally prosecute opioid addicts who voluntarily

5 complete a public or private rehabilitation program without relapse.

6 C. The United States will allocate 10 million dollars toward the creation of

7 Supervised Injection Sites (SIS).

8 **SECTION 2.** A. “Naloxone” shall be defined as a drug that treats narcotics overdoses.

9 B. “Over-the-counter” shall be defined as a drug that can be obtained without a
10 prescription.

11 C. “Supervised Injection Sites” shall be defined as legally sanctioned facilities
12 where drug addicts may seek rehabilitation, as well as, inject pre-obtained drugs
13 under medical care and supervision.

14 **SECTION 3.** The Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA), the Food and Drug Administration
15 (FDA), the Department of Justice (DOJ), and the US Sentencing Commission
16 (USSC) shall be tasked with the implementation and enforcement of this
17 legislation.

18 A. If a former opioid addict relapses during or post rehabilitation, they can and
19 may be criminally prosecuted.

20 B. Opioid addicts put on probation will be sent to a private or public probation
21 program.

22 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be implemented upon its passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Matthew Kruse
Boca Raton Community High School*

B/R #1204
A BILL TO RESTORE OUR COMMUNITIES

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

2 **SECTION 1.** At least fifty percent of all Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance
3 Grant (JAG) money allocated to vulnerable communities must be spent on
4 education, employment, and restorative justice programming. No more
5 than twenty-five (25) percent of JAG money may be used to support
6 systems of mass incarceration.

7 **SECTION 2.** A. “Vulnerable communities” shall be defined as those that possess one or
8 more of the following characteristics: high poverty rates, high
9 incarceration rates, or a majority of African-American or Latino
10 population.

11 B. “Systems of mass incarceration” shall be defined as including
12 militarized equipment, construction of detention centers, and expansion of
13 surveillance efforts.

14 **SECTION 3.** A. The Department of Justice shall revise its grant application and
15 procedures to ensure compliance with this bill, and shall be responsible for
16 enforcement of this legislation.

17 B. Municipal governments that do not comply will be ineligible for federal
18 law enforcement funding for the following two fiscal years.

19 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall take effect immediately upon passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Josh O’Steen
Evanston Township

B/R #1205
A BILL TO INCREASE THE LEGAL AGE OF MARRIAGE

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The legal age of marriage with and without parental consent shall be set to
3 18 years old for all sexes in every US state. This prohibits underage
4 marriages and promotes gender equality.

5 **SECTION 2.** A. “Legal age” will be defined as the age at which a person takes on the
6 rights and responsibilities of an adult.

7 B. Parental consent will be defined as the need for parental or guardian
8 approval of certain legal activities for a minor (in this case when a minor
9 wants to marry).

10 **SECTION 3.** The implementation of this legislation will be overseen by the Department
11 of Justice (DOJ) for each individual state. States that do not comply with
12 this legislation will receive a 5% cut in federal assistance programs and
13 grants.

14 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go into effect within 1 year of passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Kelly Phalen
Montville Township*

B/R #1206

A BILL TO INCENTIVIZE CHINESE OPPOSITION TO NORTH KOREAN AGGRESSION

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A. \$200 million in foreign aid shall be allocated to the People’s Republic
3 of China in order to prevent the spread of infectious diseases.

4 B. Should the Secretary of State assess that the Chinese do not adequately
5 oppose North Korean aggression, the aid shall be terminated.

6 **SECTION 2.** “North Korean Aggression” shall be defined as threats or military action
7 towards the United States or its allies.

8 **SECTION 3.** The USAID shall oversee the implementation of any foreign aid to China
9 provided by this legislation, and shall terminate aid as advised by
10 Secretary of State.

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

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

*Rep. Alexa Gilbert
Natick High School*

B/R 1207
A BILL TO ENACT DACA AND DAPA

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

2 **SECTION 1.** This Congress shall enact into law DACA and DAPA. The funding for
3 this program, levied through a capping of tax deductions to 28 cents on the
4 dollar for the top 3% of earners, will be used to modernize and improve
5 the immigration process. Excess funding will be diverted back into the
6 general reserve of tax revenue

7 **SECTION 2.** A. DACA and DAPA shall be defined as the Deferred Action for
8 Childhood Arrivals and the Deferred Action for Parents of Americans
9 respectively, following the attempted expansion from former president
10 Obama during 2014.

11 B. Modernization shall be defined as the process of hiring more
12 immigration lawyers and judges to hear cases, waving all application fees
13 and transferring applications from paper to electronic.

14 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, along with the US
15 Immigration and Customs Agency and Department of Homeland Security
16 will be in charge of enforcement. The approval of the funding increase
17 will come from the Congressional Budget Office.

18 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect one month after the FY budget has been
19 approved for 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Nicholas DeVito
Poly Prep Country Day School*

B/R #1208
A BILL TO INCREASE INFRASTRUCTURE IN THE REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO THROUGH
DEBT RELIEF

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A. The United States will provide Debt cancelation of up to 50% to The
3 Republic of the Congo.

4 B. To qualify for this relief, the Congolese Government must reinvest the
5 foreign debt into infrastructure construction as well environmental
6 protection and reclamation programs.

7 C. 10% of Infrastructure contracts based on total spending must go to US
8 Companies.

9 **SECTION 2.** A. Infrastructure shall be defined as the fundamental physical and
10 organized structures necessary for a successfully operative society.

11 B. Environmental protection in the context of this legislation shall be
12 defined as the restoring of the geographical surroundings of the Congo.

13 **SECTION 3.** The government agency responsible for the implementation of this bill is
14 The United States Department of Treasury.

15 **SECTION 4.** This bill will be enacted no later than Fiscal Year 2019

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Bintou Cisse
Success Academy High School

B/R #1209
BILL TO REFORM FLOOD INSURANCE IN THE UNITED STATES AND IMPLEMENT A TWO-STRIKE PROGRAM

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In order to reduce the annual deficit of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), a
3 Two Strike Program will be implemented to restrict, reform, and supplement the NFIP as
4 it currently stands.

5 **SECTION 2.** The Two Strike Program is defined as such:

6 A. Only communities outside of Flood Zone V's will be allowed participation with the
7 NFIP, and therefore will no longer be offered federally backed flood insurance.

8 B. Properties in communities that participate with the NFIP are allowed up two claims
9 after the passage of this legislation under government backed flood insurance, after
10 which it will no longer be offered to them.

11 C. The US Department of Housing and Urban Development will incentivize property
12 owners in Flood Zone V's and A's to relocate from these locations to non V or A
13 Zones. Relocation is not mandatory, and should an individual choose to relocate they
14 will be allowed access to both attorneys and appraisers in order to establish fair
15 market value.

16 D. Funding for this legislation will be contrived from excess found in the NFIP's
17 current annual budget from paying out fewer claims. Ten billion dollars will
18 additionally be provided to the Dept. of Housing and Urban Development budget for
19 the specific purpose of incentivizing property owners.

20 **SECTION 3.** The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Department of Housing
21 and Urban Development will oversee the implementation of this legislation.

22 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect Fiscal Year (FY) 2019.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. John Feighery
The Bronx High School of Science*

B/R #1210

A BILL TO ADJUST PURPLE HEART ELIGIBILITY TO INCLUDE VETERANS WITH PTSD

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Federal Government will adjust the eligibility
3 requirements to receive the Purple Heart award to include veterans who
4 suffer from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder.

5 **SECTION 2.** Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, or PTSD, can be defined as a condition of
6 persistent mental and emotional stress occurring as a result of injury or
7 severe psychological shock.

8 **SECTION 3.** The United State Department of Veteran Affairs will oversee the
9 enforcement of this bill alongside the Executive Branch and Department
10 of Defense.

11 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect immediately after passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Emma Poff
York Catholic High School*

B/R #1211
THE BRIDGE ACT

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The full text of the Bar Removal of Individuals who Dream and Grow our
3 Economy Act (BRIDGE Act S.3542) is hereby enacted to protect DACA
4 recipients from deportation.

5 **SECTION 2.** "DACA recipient" shall be defined as an alien who is deferred in action
6 status on the date of the enactment of this section pursuant to the Deferred
7 Action for Childhood Arrivals ("DACA") Program.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Homeland Security shall be responsible for executing
9 this legislation.

10 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be enacted upon its passing.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Christopher Raymond
Lake Highland