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A BILL TO BAN THE BURQA

BE IT ENACTED BY THIS CONGRESS THAT:

1. SECTION 1. The United States government will prohibit the wearing of burqas in public spaces.
2. SECTION 2: A burqa is an outer garment covering the entire body and face, including eyes, completely concealing the identity of the individual.
3. SECTION 3. Anyone seen wearing the burqa will be fined \$500.
4. SECTION 4. The act of forcing someone to wear a burqa will be prosecuted as domestic violence.
5. SECTION 5 This law will begin in immediately upon the passing of this legislation.
6. SECTION 6. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted by the NYCUDL

A Bill to Implement a Junk Food Tax

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 SECTION 1. Unhealthy foods and beverages with have an additional
2 sales tax of 20%.

3 A. This tax will be enforced in all stores, restaurants and
4 concession stands.

5 B. The revenue from the Junk Food Tax will be applied to
6 Medicare and Medicaid funds.

7 SECTION 2. “Unhealthy” refers to foods and beverages with fat, sugar
8 or cholesterol levels more than 50% of the daily
9 recommended value content.

10 SECTION 3. The United States Department of Health is responsible for
11 overseeing the provisions of this bill.

12 SECTION 4. This legislation will be enacted immediately.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the NYCUDL.

A Bill to Increase Funding for Nuclear Power

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United State of America in The Student Congress assembled, that:

Section I: There shall be additional funding for nuclear power.

Section II: Nuclear Power: Peaceful purposes for the creation of nuclear power and energy.

Section III: This bill shall be executed by the Congress and the United State Department of Energy.

Section IV: This bill shall go into effect immediately.

Section V: Any laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null.

Preciously Submitted for Congress by Yorkville East

A Bill to Require Labeling for Genetically Modified Foods

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. All companies that supply food to the United States' citizens must label

any foods that contain any genetically modified ingredient(s).

SECTION 2. Genetically modified should be defined as an ingredient where the DNA of the plant or animals have been altered or when livestock has purposely been treated with changed substances. A label would be classified as a small sticker placed on the product to indicate if it is a GMO (genetically modified organism).

SECTION 3. This bill would allow the FDA to inspect specific companies (those who produce genetically modified food). Companies that fail to allow inspection would no longer be able to sell these products.

SECTION 4. This bill will go into effect 2 years after passage.

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

Previously Submitted by TEP

A Bill to Reinstate the Draft

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 SECTION 1. The United States military draft be reinstated.
2 A. The draft will apply to men and women equally between
3 the ages of 18 and 30.
4 B. The draft will use a lottery system to conscript military
5 draftees, who will serve a minimum of one year of
6 military service in the Army, Navy, Air Force or Marines.
7 C. Draftees may fulfill military service through combat or
8 technical services.
- 9 SECTION 2. “The draft” refers to the recruitment for required military
10 service, as originated in the Selective Service Act of 1917.
- 11 SECTION 3. The Department of Defense will oversee the
12 implementation of this bill.
- 13 SECTION 4. The draft will go into effect in September 2016.
- 14 SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared
15 null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the NYCUDL.

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Create a Hate Speech Exception

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 WHEREAS, Hate speech is too common in society, which perverts our
2 rights to free speech; and

3 WHEREAS, Hate speech has traumatic effects in particular for racial
4 and religious minority groups: and

5 WHEREAS, People should have a right to not be victimized by hate
6 speech; therefore, be it

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

14 ARTICLE —

15 **SECTION 1:** Create a Hate Speech Exception to the First
16 Amendment of the Constitution, therefor not
17 protecting hate speech.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the NYCUDL

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Declare Official English

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 WHEREAS, 93% of Americans speak English, and English is the official
2 language of 51 countries around the world; and
3 adult justice system.

4 WHEREAS, The United States Federal Government spends \$218 million
5 each year for the translation of government documents into
6 over 300 languages; therefore, be it

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

14 ARTICLE —

15 SECTION 1: The English language shall be the official
16 language of the United States. As the official
17 language, the English language shall be used
18 for all federal and state government
19 documents, records and judicial proceedings.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the NYCUDL

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Repeal the Second Amendment

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 WHEREAS, Mass shootings have become too common, and public safety
2 is on the decline; and

3 WHEREAS, Gun technology and policing systems have advanced to
4 make the Second Amendment outdated and irrelevant; and

5 WHEREAS, Actions must be taken to minimize future attacks and make
6 the United States as safe as possible; therefore, be it

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

14 ARTICLE —

15 **SECTION 1:** The Second Amendment of the US Constitution
16 under the Bill of Rights shall hereby be
17 repealed.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the NYCUDL

A Resolution to Declare that Deadly Force is Justified in Self Defense

Whereas, every person has a right to their own life; and

Whereas, rights are only truly rights if people are allowed to protect those rights; and

Whereas, people who intend to kill others forfeit their own right to life; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Congress here assembled declare that the use of deadly force is justified in self-defense against deadly threats.

Submitted by the NYCUDL

A Resolution to Tax Plastic Bags

1 **WHEREAS,** Plastic bags, while only used for an average of
2 about twelve minutes, remain in landfills and other places for
3 thousands of years; and
4 **WHEREAS,** Plastic bags are made up of polyethylene, which
5 can take up to 1,000 years to decompose; and
6 **WHEREAS,** Plastic bags can get into the food chain through
7 animals that ingest small particles of plastic; and
8 **WHEREAS,** Over a decade of investigation, it has been
9 discovered that plastic bag use has contributed heavily to the
10 Great Pacific Garbage Patch; therefore, be it
11 **RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled place a
12 federal tax on plastic bags.

Previously Submitted by TEP