# A Bill To Ban Gerrymandering in the Drawing of United States Voting Districts.

#### BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1**: Gerrymandering or forms of redistricting for political gain shall be abolished.

**Section 2**: Gerrymandering is the drawing of electoral voting district lines that have no geographical purpose and that only serve to benefit a political party. Redistricting is the redrawing of district lines every 10 years based on population data.

**Section 3**: All commissions or authorities in the United States empowered to redraw voting districts shall not be allowed to consider the political party of an individual citizen to draw voting lines. No district previously drawn shall be exempt.

**Section 4**: This bill will take effect immediately upon passage.

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

## **Resolution to Tax Plastic Bags**

WHEREAS, Plastic bags, while only used for an average of about twelve minutes, remain in landfills and other places for thousands of years; and

**WHEREAS**, Plastic bags are made up of polyethylene, which can take up to 1,000 years to decompose; and

**WHEREAS**, Plastic bags can get into the food chain through animals that ingest small particles of plastic; and

**WHEREAS**, Over a decade of investigation, it has been discovered that plastic bag use has contributed heavily to the Great Pacific Garbage Patch; therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Congress here assembled place a federal tax on plastic bags.

# A Bill to Deemphasize Standardized Testing and Promote Originality in Schools

#### BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1**. All of the academic evaluations that include language arts, mathematics, and science in grades K-8 will no longer be required. **SECTION 2**. Funds appropriated to states for the implementation of USC Sec. 6311 will be gradually re-appropriated over five years beginning in the 2018-2019 school year according to the provisions in this section.

A. Funding will be appropriated to each state for use by every state in forming curriculum that emphasizes the development of research, writing, and mathematics skills through the incorporation of student interests in classroom projects and activities with real world applications.

B. Each state shall receive funding proportional to the number of students enrolled in public schools in grades kindergarten through 8 in that state.

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

**SECTION 4**. This legislation will be enacted in September in the year of 2019.

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

Prelims

# A Bill to Grant Citizenship to All Undocumented Immigrants Who Serve in the U.S. Military

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1**. Citizenship will be given out to any undocumented immigrant who serves a five-year term in the United States Military and does not have a criminal record.

**SECTION 2**. Citizenship will be defined as permanent residency in the United States and all citizens will be given the full rights of a citizen.

**SECTION 3.** The U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service will oversee the administration of citizenships.

**SECTION 4.** This legislation will be enacted in 2018.

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

### A Resolution to Legalize the Use of Marijuana

**WHEREAS**, Recent legislation in California has estimated its Cannabis Sativa crops as a \$14-billion industry, placing it above vegetable and grapes, and

WHEREAS, Allowing legalized taxation of this state's crop alone could produce upward of \$1-billion in tax revenue for the state each year, and

**WHEREAS,** Medical use of marijuana is already legal in several states, and

**WHEREAS**, Legislation would allow the U.S. government regulation of production and distribution, just as with tobacco and alcohol, and legalizing marijuana would allow law enforcement agents to focus on more serious crimes, and therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Congress here assembled make the following recommendation for solution: Cannabis Sativa, otherwise known as marijuana, should be legally sold, regulated, and taxed in the United States of America.

### A Resolution to Increase the Use of Media Technology in Schools

**WHEREAS**, Technology is a vital part of today's society and an effective teaching tool; and

**WHEREAS**, Many jobs are based on the ability to utilize technology; and **WHEREAS**, It is necessary to the preparation for the successful futures of American students;

therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Congress here assembled allow for the increase of media technology in

all schools; and, be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, That lower income districts receive assistance in making this possible.

## A Resolution to Have Skilled People in the Workforce

**WHEREAS**, The current educational system discriminates against those who are not college bound by giving these students no system in which to develop trade specific skills; and

**WHEREAS**, This is evidenced by the fact that McDonald's and Wal-mart are the largest employers in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Many individuals graduate high school with no relevant job skills and are thus qualified for only the most menial jobs; and

**WHEREAS**, This leaves a significant portion of the population vulnerable to poverty and subsequent criminal activity due to the lack of options afforded to them by the current educational system; therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that the federal government shall require all public schools to provide an alternative vocational path of education following the 10th grade of high school.

## BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,

That the choice to follow the vocational path is optional and can be reconsidered by a student at any point during their high school career.

## A Bill to Try and Punish Juvenile Offenders as Adults

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1**. Juvenile offenders as young as 14 who have committed serious crimes will by fairly tried and punished in the adult justice system.

#### **SECTION 2.**

- A. "Juvenile offenders" are juveniles (under 18) who commit crimes that, if committed by an adult, could result in criminal prosecution.
- B. "Serious crimes" include murder, rape, assault with a weapon, and armed robbery.
- **SECTION 3**. The United States Department of Justice will be responsible for overseeing the provisions of this bill.
- **SECTION 4**. This legislation will be enacted immediately.
- **SECTION 5**. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the NYCUDL

**Prelims** 

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

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

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

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

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

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

#### **ARTICLE**

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

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the NYCUDL

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# A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Repeal the Second Amendment

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

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

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

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

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

#### **ARTICLE**

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

**SECTION 2**: The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by

appropriate legislation.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the NYCUDL

**Super Session** 

### **A Bill to Limit Opioid Prescriptions**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1**. Opioid prescriptions will be limited to 3 day supplies, and doctors will be required to consult a statewide database before prescribing opioids.

#### **SECTION 2.**

- A. "Opioids" are a class of legal painkillers distinguished by an opium-like compound that binds to one or more of the body's opioid receptors.
- B. "Prescriptions" are instructions written by doctors authorizing a patient to be provided a medicine or treatment.
- **SECTION 3**. The United States Food and Drug Administration will be responsible for overseeing the provisions of this bill.
- **SECTION 4**. This legislation will be enacted immediately.
- **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the NYCUDL

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## A Resolution to Put Metal Detectors in Schools

**Whereas**, students should have a right to a safe education; and **Whereas**, gun violence in schools has become a national crisis warranting an urgent response; and

**Whereas**, we have the technology to ensure weapons are not brought into schools; now, therefor, be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Congress here assembled recommend the use of metal detectors in all K-12 schools in America.

Submitted by the NYCUDL

**Super Session**