

UHSAA Region XIII  
2018 Congress Docket

## **A Resolution to Limit Grain Production and Allocation**

**Whereas**, Almost 40% of the calories produced by the world's crops are being used for animal feed; and

**Whereas**, Only 12% of those calories ultimately contribute to the human diet; and

**Whereas**, More than 90 million acres of land in the United States are planted to corn, with the majority of the crop grown in the Heartland region; and

**Whereas**, Most of the crop is used as the main energy ingredient in livestock feed; and

**Whereas**, Millions of people in the United States could be fed if land used to grow crops for livestock were given over to crops for human consumption, therefore, be it:

**Resolved** by the Congress here assembled that: No more than 15% of the corn production produced by American farms will be used for consumption by livestock.

## **A Bill to Alter the American Antiquities Act of 1906 to Restrict the Power of the President in Appointing National Monuments**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1.** Section 2 of the American Antiquities Act of 1906 be amended to create measurable restrictions on the maximum size of the appointment of one single monument, but not limit the number of monuments that may be appointed by a single president.

**SECTION 2.** Measurable restrictions shall be defined by the number of acres the proposed monument covers. The maximum size shall be defined as 500,000 acres at time of designation.

**SECTION 3.** The Secretaries of the Interior, Agriculture, and War shall oversee the enforcement of this bill when advising the President about a certain proposed monument. They shall do this by:

- A. Ensuring the proposed area does not exceed the maximum size.
- B. And that the proposed area does in fact contains objects as detailed in the American Antiquities Act of 1906 Section 2.

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

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

# A Bill to Halt Arms Sales to Saudi Arabia

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1.** The United States shall halt future arms sales to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

**SECTION 2.** Arms sales shall be defined as the trade or sale of weaponry and ammunition, including tanks and nuclear weapons.

**SECTION 3.** The state department and department of defense are responsible for the enforcement of this legislation.

**SECTION 4.** This bill will go in effect after the passing.

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

## **A Bill to Remove Race and Ethnicity Questions from all Legal Documents**

BE IT ENACTED BY THIS CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1** Questions of one's race or ethnicity shall be removed from all legal documents.

**SECTION 2 Definitions**

- a. "Race and ethnicity questions" are any question or statement asked for one's ethnic or racial background.
- b. "Legal Documents" refers to any items of information for purposes involving documentation by state or federal governments.

**SECTION 3** All institutions requesting or recording information will oversee the enforcement of removing race and ethnicity questions from all respective documents.

**SECTION 4** This bill will go in effect January 1, 2019.

**SECTION 5** All laws in conflict to this bill are hereby null and void.

## **A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Extend the Term of Office to Four Years for Members of the United States House of Representatives**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**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 Term of Office for Members of the House of Representatives shall be extended as follows:

Four-year terms shall be implemented for the members of the United States House of Representatives through amending the Constitution for this purpose. To do so, constitutional provision allows for proposal of an amendment either by a two-thirds majority vote by the Congress in both the House of Representatives and the Senate or by conducting a constitutional convention initiated by two-thirds of the State legislatures.

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

# **A Bill to Reinstate the Fairness Doctrine**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1.** The Fairness Doctrine will be re-implemented by the FCC as a governing policy.

**SECTION 2.** The Fairness Doctrine shall be defined as the policy abolished by the FCC in 1987 that was primarily concerned with the news media providing a variety of viewpoints on any given topic.

**SECTION 3.** The FCC will oversee implementation of this legislation.

A. Any necessary funding will be drawn from the budget of the FCC.

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

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

# **A Bill to Equalize Redistricting in the States to Provide Non-Biased Congressional Elections**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1.** Committees of 5 people will be selected through non-partisan elections on a state by state basis to draw political districts whenever redistricting is necessary (following each census).

**SECTION 2.** Non-partisan shall be defined as not being supported or controlled by any political group through means of funding or name/title. Necessary shall be defined as whenever any congressional seats are gained or lost.

**SECTION 3.** This bill will be enforced by the Federal Election Commission, through monitoring campaign funds and the established complaint process.

1. One Committee shall be established per state upon need and shall be released of duty upon completion of the immediate redistricting task.
2. Committees shall have no more than two registered members of a single political party.
3. Committees shall be kept entirely separate from state legislatures as state legislatures have and currently participate in partisan bias known as "gerrymandering." No state representative shall be allowed to participate as a member of the committee.

**SECTION 4.** This bill shall take effect prior to the 2020 Congressional election to immediately counteract the effects of gerrymandering.

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



## **The Sentencing Reform and Corrections Act of 2017**

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

Section 1. The complete text of the Sentencing Reform and Corrections Act of 2017 (S. 1917) is hereby enacted.

Section 2. Sections 101-109 of ‘Sentence Reform’ and Sections 201-212 of ‘Corrections Act’ apply to:

A. Any offense that was committed before the date of enactment of this legislation , if a sentence for the offense has not been imposed as of such date of enactment.

B. In the case of a defendant who, before the date of enactment of this legislation was convicted of an offense for which the penalty is amended by this section and was sentenced to a term of imprisonment for the offense, a term of imprisonment may be reduced if:

1. The instant violation was for a drug trafficking offense that did not involve a violation of clause (ii) or (iii) of section 924(c)(1)(A) of title 18, United States Code.
2. The defendant has not otherwise been convicted of any serious violent felony.
3. The sentencing court, after considering the factors set forth in section 3553(a) of title 18, United States Code, the nature and seriousness of the danger to any person, the community, or any crime victims, and the post-sentencing conduct of the defendant, finds a reduction is consistent with this section.

Section 3. The Department of Justice shall be responsible for the oversight and implementation of this legislation.

Section 4. This legislation shall take effect on March 1, 2018.

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

## **A Resolution to abolish the Lobbyist system in the United States**

**WHEREAS,** Lobbyist are infringing on true democracy and are an example of deeply entrenched classism; and

**WHEREAS,** Politicians require access to higher amounts of capital resources during campaigns in order to be elected; and

**WHEREAS,** Lobbyist organizations gather the funding politicians require for said campaigns substantially through corporate means; and

**WHEREAS,** Negotiations made between these political organizations and the governing party are withheld from the American people; and

**WHEREAS,** The interests of a political entity are pursued based on the group's financial presence; therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the Student congress here assembled make the following recommendation for solution; ban the use of lobbyist donations to political persons or parties.

## **A Resolution to Open Federal Lands to Limited Radioactive Material Mining Efforts**

**WHEREAS,** Fossil Fuels account for approximately 65% of our energy production in the year of 2017; and

**WHEREAS,** Nuclear power production has steadily grown over the past three decades, prompting a surge in the Uranium Mining sector; and

**WHEREAS,** The United States Federal Government has recently completed reports on the uranium content of various sections of federal lands; and

**WHEREAS,** The opening of these lands, such as the mining operations east of the Mississippi River, to the Uranium Mining sector would promote job growth, economic stability, and an emphasis on the development and usage of new nuclear reactors; and

**WHEREAS,** The increase in use of nuclear reactors would contribute to U.S. efforts to reduce the country's carbon footprint, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the United States Congress here assembled should open federal lands to limited radioactive material mining efforts with the goal of increasing long term economic and environmental benefits.

# **A Bill to Fund CRISPR**

## **Section 1.**

A. \$50 million shall be given to the research and improvement of Clustered Regularly Interspaced Short Palindromic Repeats (CRISPR).

B. This money will be taken from the U.S. Military Budget (FY 2019)

**Section 2.** This funding will be allocated to projects already underway at the time of implementation.

**Section 3.** The Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of Defense shall oversee the implementation of this legislation.

**Section 4.** This legislation will be implemented October 1, 2019.

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

# **A Bill to Reclassify Electronic Cigarette Product**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1.** Electronic cigarette products shall be classified as a Schedule V drug under the DEA and all tobacco products shall be classified as a Schedule III drug under the DEA.

**SECTION 2.** Electronic cigarettes will be defined as a device that has the shape of a cigarette, cigar, or pen and is not made or derived from tobacco. It uses a battery and contains a solution of nicotine, flavorings, and other chemicals, some of which may be harmful.

**SECTION 3.** The Drug Enforcement Administration shall oversee the manufacturing of all e-liquids, e-cigarette products, and tobacco products.

**SECTION 4.** This legislation will be enacted upon passage.

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