

Congressional Legislation 2019

Preleminary Bills And Super Congress Bills

This Bill is reserved as Supers Legislation

A Bill to Abolish Affirmative Action in College Admissions and Scholarships

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. Upon passage, public universities will no longer be able to ask any questions about race, and will not base admission decisions or scholarship decisions on student's race.

SECTION 2. Affirmative Action is defined in this context as the act of prioritizing certain races over another.

SECTION 3. The U.S. Department of Education shall be responsible for changes in policy.

A. Private scholarships will not be affected by the passage of this bill.

SECTION 4. This shall take effect on July 1, 2018.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Knott County Central High School

A Bill to Mandate a Balanced Government Budget

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. Congress is to have an annual set and balanced budget on or before the 15^{th}

of February each calendar year for the coming fiscal year.

SECTION 2. Fiscal means a year as reckoned for taxing or accounting purposes and

begins on October 1st of each calendar year.

SECTION 3. Congress will have a budget committee approve and submit the budget to congress who will then debate and vote on passage of said budget. Once

passed, the President shall then execute the budget. The Department of

the Treasury will oversee spending and check account balances

periodically to ensure:

- 1. The budget is not spent all at once, and
- 2. That Government spending is on pace and does not exceed the

budget as established

SECTION 4. This Bill shall take effect January 1, 2019.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Knott County Central High School

A Bill to Repeal the Patriot Act As It Relates to Surveillance of American Citizens

| 1 | BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT: | | |
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| 2 | SECTION 1. | Upon passage, the United States government will no longer be allowed | |
| 3 | | to surveil and violate the privacy of the citizens of The United States | |
| 4 | | under the Patriot Act. | |
| 5 | SECTION 2. | The specific conduct to be restricted is defined in this context as the | |
| 6 | | searching of a citizen's private information without their knowledge | |
| 7 | | or consent or without a proper search warrant obtained through state | |
| 8 | | or federal courts but specifically not through a FISA warrant. | |
| 9 | SECTION 3. | The State Department shall handle all changes made in this legislation. | |
| 10 | SECTION 4. | This shall take effect on July 1, 2018 | |
| 11 | SECTION 5. | All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and | |
| 12 | | void. | |
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| 14 | Introduced for Congressional Debate by Knott County Central High School | | |

A Bill to Award Financial Incentives to Businesses Hiring Ex-Convicts BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- SECTION I: Any business whose workforce is composed of 15% Class D felons will receive 5% off of its total federal income tax.
- SECTION II: If the employer fires the employee on the grounds of suspicion of illegal activity, then a report must be filed with the local police station detailing the grounds on which the employee was fired and the identity of the employee.

A. To prevent tax fraud, any business applying for tax incentives must provide a report detailing all of its employees; felons listed in this report must be designated as such, so that the state can validate that 15% of the business' workforce is comprised of convicted felons.

B. Convicted felons still may not be hired to positions that are currently restricted to them.

C. Any rape or sodomy will be a Class A felony; sexual assault or any other sexual offense will be a Class C felony.

SECTION IV: This bill will take effect January 1st, 2019.

SECTION V: All other laws in conflict with this new policy shall hereby declared null and Void.

Respectfully submitted by,

A Bill to Provide Training, Resources, and Medical Supplies to Lesotho BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS ASSEMBLED THAT:

- Section 1: The United States Government will institute and maintain a program to provide training, resources, and medical supplies to prevent outbreak of contagious diseases in Lesotho.
- Section 2: Upon passage of this bill, Lesotho will receive the first round of medical training, supplies, and resources as it pertains to the treatment and prevention of contagious diseases within 18 months.
- Section 3: The United States will provide a baseline of five million dollars to

program to cover program management, medical supplies (including but not limited to syringes, latex gloves, needles, vaccines, etc.), and travel expenses.

- Section 4: Medical training will be provided by US nurses and doctors.
- Section 5: Expenses for volunteers will be paid for.
- Section 6: The United States Department of Health and Human Services will oversee enforcement of this bill.
- Section 7: All laws in conflict of this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Submitted by,

A Bill To Raise The Corporate Income Tax

- Section 1: The corporate income tax will be raised from its current 21% to 35%, as it was before legislation was passed January of this year.
- Section 2: Corporate Income Tax is defined as the tax placed on the earnings of corporations
- Section 3: No funding will be required for this legislation
- Section 4: This bill will be made effective immediately
- Section 5: All parts of legislation in conflict with this bill will hereby be rendered null and void

Respectfully Submitted by

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A Resolution To Impose Military Sanctions Against The Philippines

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT

- WHEREAS, President Rodrigo Duterte's War on Drugs has led to a myriad of human rights abuse; and
- WHEREAS, The lives of 7,000 supposed drug abusers have been lost in the Philippines due to unjust governmental or vigilante killings without any sort of due process; and
- WHEREAS, Those arrested in the Philippines are put into extremely inhumane living conditions; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, that the United States will enforce strict military sanctions, including a halt to sale of military weaponry and an end to military partnership or allyship, against the Philippines until marked improvement regarding human rights violations can be objectively shown; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the United States government will encourage its' allies to support these and further military sanctions against the Philippines.

Respectfully submitted by

A Bill to Require All Consenting US Citizens to Be Active Organ Donors

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1**. The objective of this Bill is to designate every citizen of The United 3 States of America an organ donor unless aversion is disclosed. 4 Essentially, 200,000 citizens of America are currently awaiting a SECTION 2. 5 lifesaving organ transplant. Just one deceased donor could save up to 8 lives and enhance 100 lives. The law will be enforced by The United 6 7 States Bureau of Medical Services. 8 **SECTION 3.** This bill will require all adequate citizens and residents of the 9 Commonwealth to be Organ Donors unless they express difference. If 10 the deceased citizen is a minor, the legal parental guardian will 11 establish their stance on Organ Donation. In situations where said 12 civilian is deceased, the family must give the final confirmation 13 towards the donation of their organs. If civilians actively show 14 antipathy towards the donation of their anatomy post-mortem, they 15 may request otherwise. 16 SECTION 4. This bill will affect all citizens of The United States of America. All 17 transplants will be paid for by the recipients, and all donations will be 18 monitored by the United States Department of Health and Human 19 services in cooperation with the Cabinet for Health and Human 20 Services. 21 22 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and 23 void.

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution by Abolishing the Twelfth Amendment and Allowing for the Election of the President and Vice President to be Based on Popular Vote

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT: 1 By two-thirds of the Congress here assembled, that the following article is proposed as an 2 **RESOLVED**, amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all intents and 3 purposes as part of the Constitution when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the 4 5 several states within seven years from the date of its submission by the Congress: **ARTICLE --**6 7 SECTION 1: Upon ratification, this article shall take immediate effect. The Twelfth Amendment of the Constitution and the college of Electors for President and Vice-President shall be abolished, 8 9 and the election of the President and Vice President shall be based on direct popular vote of 10 the people. The individual voter shall name in his or her ballot the candidate team of his or her choice **SECTION 2:** 11 for President and Vice-President. The candidate team for President and Vice-President 12 receiving a majority of the total popular vote in the general election shall become the 13 President-elect and Vice-President-elect. If no candidate team receives a majority of the 14 15 total popular vote in the general election, a special election shall take place twenty-eight 16 days after the general election between the two candidate teams receiving the highest vote counts from the general election. The candidate team receiving a majority of the popular 17 vote in the special election shall become the President-elect and Vice-President-elect. If no 18 candidate team receives a majority of the special election popular vote, the members of the 19 House of Representatives shall each cast one vote each between the two candidate teams 20 seven days after the special election. If no candidate team receives a majority of the House 21 of Representative votes, the members of the Senate shall each cast one vote between the 22 23 two candidate teams immediately after the House of Representatives vote. If no candidate team receives a majority of the Senate vote, the President of the Senate shall break the tie 24 25 immediately. 26 SECTION 3: No person constitutionally ineligible to the office of President shall be eligible to that of 27 Vice-President of the United States. SECTION 4: Each state will oversee the adherence of this article for their respective general and special 28 elections. Each state shall report to the President of the Senate the state's total vote counts 29 for both the general election and special election. The President of the Senate shall verify 30 before both the Senate and the House of Representatives the winner of the election. The 31 32 Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

This Bill is reserved for Supers Legislation

A Bill to Legalize Prostitution in All States

| 1 | BE IT ENACT | ED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT: |
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| 2 | SECTION 1 . | This bill shall legalize the act of prostitution and the establishment of |
| 3 | | brothels across the United States. |
| 4 | SECTION 2. | Prostitutes shall be defined as adults (18 years old and above) who |
| 5 | | consensually exchange in sexual activities for profit as members of a |
| 6 | | government-supervised brothel. A brothel shall be defined as a |
| 7 | | private business organization that uses prostitution as a means of |
| 8 | | monetary gain. |
| 9 | SECTION 3. | Each state must establish and enforce its own laws pertaining to the |
| 10 | | business of prostitution. At a minimum, each state must follow the |
| 11 | | following guidelines: |
| 12 | | A. A system of monthly local health department inspections must be |
| 13 | | established. Inspections must include facility cleanliness, disease |
| 14 | | testing, and psychological screenings of all prostitutes. Penalties |
| 15 | | for non-compliance must be established. |
| 16 | | B. A course in safe sex practices must be established and |
| 17 | | administered by the local health department. All brothel workers, |
| 18 | | including owners, must participate every six months. |
| 19 | | C. Prophylactics must be used in all sexual acts. |
| 20 | | D. Individual prostitutes must receive at least fifty percent of the |
| 21 | | profit from each transaction they perform. |
| 22 | | E. A state tax of at least fifteen percent must be levied for each |
| 23 | | transaction, fifty percent of which must go to fund the local health |
| 24 | | department inspections and education courses. The rest of the tax |
| 25 | | may go in the place of the state's choice. |
| 26 | SECTION 4. | Once passed by the Congress, individual states will have one year to |
| 27 | | pass laws and policies mandated by this bill. |
| 28 | SECTION 5. | All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and |
| 29 | | void. |

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Put into Place Term Limits for Members of the Congress

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**: Members of the House of Representatives shall not serve more than four full terms of two years. Members of the Senate shall not serve more than two full terms of six years.
- **SECTION 2**: A person who fills an early vacated office in the Congress for fifty percent or more of the allotted time remaining in said office shall be considered as having served a full term. A person who fills an early vacated office in the Congress for less than fifty percent of the allotted time remaining in said office shall not be considered to have served a full term. A person who is elected to the Congress in a general election shall be considered to have served one full term regardless of amount of time served before resignation or removal from office.
- **SECTION 3**: This article shall go into effect immediately following ratification by three-fourths of the several states. The count of full terms served for members of the Congress who are in office at the time of ratification shall not begin until this article is ratified. Said members of the Congress shall be considered to have served one full term.
- **SECTION 4**: Each state will oversee the adherence of this article. The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

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A Resolution to Regulate Ownership of Bitcoins

WHEREAS, with the advent of Bitcoin, its concealed ownership has led to criminal activity due to its lack of accountability under federal law; and

WHEREAS, the criminal activities that include money laundering, terrorist and drug financing, and counterfeiting are growing at a rapid rate; and

WHEREAS, many users of Bitcoin exploit the "untraceable" aspect of Bitcoins to dodge current regulation about digital currency; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By this Congress that: all individual and group owners of Bitcoins who fail to disclose information regarding their taxable gains of Bitcoins to the U.S. Internal Revenue Services (IRS) will face criminal punishment; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the IRS be required to increase Bitcoin auditing with the appropriate funding to further monitor and create accountability for Bitcoin users.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Paul Laurence Dunbar High School.

A Bill to Gradually Increase the Social Security Payroll Tax Rate

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The United States will hereby implement a gradual increase of 2 percent from the current 6.2 % contribution to 8.2 % for the social security payroll tax rate. This increase would be implemented over 10 years for both workers and their employers.

SECTION 2. Social Security's tax revenue and trust fund reserves will have the ability to provide promised benefits to Americans until 2034. At that point, the trust fund will be exhausted, resulting with reduced benefits for Americans who were promised benefits from social security.

SECTION 3. The Social Security Administration will enact and oversee this legislation.

SECTION 4. There will be no direct fiscal cost for the government with the passage of this legislation, but there will be a projected increase in funding for Social Security by approximately 0.6 % of the GDP.

SECTION 5. This legislation will go into effect on January 1st, 2020.

SECTION 6. All other laws and/or passages of Congress that conflict with this bill will be considered null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Paul Laurence Dunbar High School

A Resolution to Implement The Dream Act

WHEREAS, for dozens of years, children have been brought to the United States unauthorized under the authority of their parents to have a chance at a more stable and successful life; and WHEREAS, the children are being penalized for the actions of their parents and are not able to fulfill the opportunities they aspire to achieve or attend universities due to increased college tuitions because of their immigration status; and

WHEREAS, the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrival, or DACA, is expiring March 5th,

2018, and the unauthorized children are at risk of being deported; and

WHEREAS, the DREAM Act grants them a path to citizenship, immunity from deportation,

and an opportunity to pursue a higher education, children who were brought here under the

authority of their parents with no say should be able to pursue their aspirations without fear and

give back to the community they are living in; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By this Congress that: the DREAM Act be implemented after DACA is expired to grant the children of the United States a safer and brighter future.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Paul Laurence Dunbar High School.

A Bill to Require All Candidates for Public Offices to Reveal their Records

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The United States will require all candidates for public offices to reveal their tax and criminal records.

SECTION 2. Too many people have been elected into public offices with questionable history. Knowing their criminal and tax records would help us better understand who exactly we are voting for.

SECTION 3. The Federal Election Commission will enact and enforce this for the General Election. The specific state's State Election Commission will enact and enforce this on for state and local elections.

SECTION 4. If the candidate does not disclose this information to the public, he/she will no longer be eligible for candidacy.

SECTION 5. This legislation will go into effect in the beginning of the 2016 year.

SECTION 6. All other laws and/or passages of Congress that conflict with this bill will be considered null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Paul Laurence Dunbar High School

A Resolution to Limit the Wage of the Executives of Corporations

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Section 1. The United States Department of Labor will enforce a resolution that limits the hourly wage of a corporate executive to no more than 12 times that of the same corporations lowest paid employee.

Section 2. This will apply to businesses federally classified as a large business. This wage difference will apply to the lowest paid employee, no matter their position, and the highest paid employee if the executive does not have the largest salary.

Section 3. The U.S. Department of Labor's Wage and Hour Division will enforce this resolution. Their responsibilities will be as follows.

- A. On January 1st of each year the U.S. Department of Labor's Wage and Hour Division will randomly choose 50 large businesses annually to thoroughly inspect the wages of the businesses' employees, and they will ask for data from all other large businesses, using their sample to ensure accountability.
- B. This department will fine those in violation of this code an amount equal to the difference between the executive's salary and their maximum salary based on the lowest paid employee's salary.

Section 4. This resolution will take effect on January 1st, 2020.

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

Respectfully Submitted by Murray High School

A Resolution to Incentivise Energy-Efficient Homes and Businesses

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Section 1. Commonwealth property taxes will be cut by 15% for all energy efficient homes and businesses in order to incentivise being eco-friendly.

Section 2. Energy Efficiency will be defined as using less energy to achieve the same output. Amy house that can cut their energy consumption by 10% of the average for their property size and/or family size will be eligible for this tax cut.

Section 3. This bill will be enforced by the Kentucky Department of Revenue. Citizens will apply for this cut if they believe they meet the requirements and the Department of Revenue will inspect the energy efficiency of those who apply. They will be in charge of keeping their figures up to date and doing annual inspections of those included in this program.

Section 4. This bill will be enacted on January 1, 2020.

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

Respectfully by Murray High School

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AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A SUPPLEMENTAL GUEST WORKER PROGRAM

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Section 1: Designated Work Visas will be made available to non-citizen applicants, which will allow this supplemental labor force to work legally in the United States through a controlled and regulated process.

Section 2: Qualifications are as follows: fulfill defined work requirements, be of legal age, and pass criminal background checks in all applicable countries. All workers shall apply and be approved through designated applicant centers created in partnership between the United States and the applicable country of origin.

Section 3: The establishment of these Designated Work Visas will require employers of guest workers to pay the guest workers on a wage scale consistent with pay for domestic workers in the relevant geographic area of employment.

Section 4: The guest workers will pay into the system consistent with domestic workers for all taxes, insurance, and health care related costs in the particular geographic area of employment.

Section 5: The Designated Work Visas will be valid for up to nine (9) months after the holder of the Visa enters the United States. There will be a required two (2) week interval between Visas, during which time the holder will return to their country of origin.

Section 6: The Department of Homeland Security will oversee implementation and enforcement of this bill.

Section 7: This bill will go into effect January 1, 2019.

Section 8: All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted by Murray High School

A Bill to Establish a Higher Level Education Fund for Young Adults with Guardians Who

Have Served One or More Years Incarcerated

BE IN ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Section 1. The United States will provide higher level education funding to any adult with guardians who have served one or more years incarcerated.

Section 2. Higher level education is classified as any education level carried out after a high school diploma is earned (vocational/technical school, specialty school, college, university, trade school, etc.). Incarceration is defined by law as confinement in local level prisons or any higher security restriction from society.

Section 3. a. Appropriate funding will be carried out by federal education funding. If any additional funding is necessary, state education funding may act in its place.

b. Funding may go towards all types of institutions, including public and private institutes.

c. Applicants for such funding may receive partial to full scholarships, dependent upon a system similar to that of the institution of choice.

d. Recipients must have one or both guardians spending a year or more incarcerated, an obtained high school diploma, and at least 18 years of age to be an applicant.

Section 4. This legislation will come into effect January 1st, 2020 to allow time for appropriate fund placement and application process.

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

Respectfully submitted for Congressional Debate by Murray High School

A Resolution to Recognize Catalonia's Independence

WHEREAS,
WHEREAS,Catalonia has sought independence from Spain; and
Spain has responded by suppressing the rights of Catalonians; and
Spain has limited the political representation of Catalonia after its
now, therefore, be itRESOLVED,That the Congress here assembled recognize Catalonia's independence.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Danville High School

A Resolution to Condemn the Myanmar Military for the Torture and Murder of the Rohingya People

| 1 | WHEREAS, | The United Nations has uncovered evidence of rape, arson, and |
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| 2 | | murder against the Rohingya population in Myanmar committed by |
| 3 | | the Myanmar military; and |
| 4 | WHEREAS, | Over 600,000 Rohingya Muslims have been forced to seek refuge in an |
| 5 | | already over-crowded Bangladesh; and |
| 6 | WHEREAS, | Newly elected leader Aung San Suu Kyi is standing beside her military |
| 7 | | who deny all accusations in regards to the ongoing "ethnic cleansing"; |
| 8 | | now, therefore, be it |
| 9 | RESOLVED, | That the Student Congress here assembled make the following |
| 10 | | recommendation for the United States government to condemn the |
| 11 | | Myanmar military |
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| 14 | Introduced for Student Congressional Debate by Danville High School. | |

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A Bill to Allow the Option of Physician-Assisted Suicide to Recipients

of the Death Penalty/Life Sentence in Prison

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- **SECTION 1.** Those sentenced to life in prison or the death penalty may have the choice of choosing physician-assisted suicide.
- **SECTION 2.** Physician-assisted suicide: A doctor knowingly and intentionally providing a person with the knowledge or means or both required to commit suicide, including discussing lethal doses of drugs, prescribing such lethal doses or supplying said drugs.
- **SECTION 3.** The government agency that will oversee the enforcement of the bill is the Drug Enforcement Administration.
- **SECTION 4.** This bill should be implemented in January of 2020.
- **SECTION 5**. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Danville High School.

We certify that the legislation submitted by this school for this Congress is the original work of the students of our school and has permission to be presented.