

A Bill to Increase Fresh Water Supplies

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2. **SECTION 1.** The United States shall implement a reduction of ten percent in both the industrial
3. and commercial sector over five years.
4. **SECTION 2.** The United States will invest five hundred million dollars in desalinization
5. technology.
6. **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Agriculture will provide improved engineering
7. and management practices in the industrial and commercial section.
8. **SECTION 5.** United States Department of Agriculture will oversee the enforcement of the bill.
9. **SECTION 6.** This law will take effect in 2014.
10. **SECTION 7.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced by Theresa Chen

Bridgewater-Raritan High School

A Bill to Implement Open Source Drug Research

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. **SECTION 1.** All Drug Research shall become Open Source
2. **SECTION 2.** This includes but is not limited to Universities, Drug Companies
3. and independent/public or private Drug Research Groups.
4. **SECTION 3. A.** This shall be enforced by the Food and Drug Administration
5. **B.** Incentives shall be given by the US Government to encourage low money
6. yielding drug research (whether just will create little profit or will help a small
7. amount of people, will be incentivized)
8. **C.** Incentives shall be given to have cohesion between drug research facilities be it
9. at a University, Drug Company, or other Group.
10. **SECTION 4.** This law will take effect one year of its passage.
11. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced by.

Bronx Science

A Resolution to File a Complaint on Chinese dumping of Solar Cells

1. **WHEREAS**, China subsidizes on Chinese solar cells cause them to be offered
2. in America at prices lower than it costs to produce and ship them; and
3. **WHEREAS**, This undercutting of the price of a good to be sold under its cost to
4. be made, shall be defined as dumping; and
5. **WHEREAS**, These actions by the Chinese government are scoffing at US Trade
6. Laws as well as World Trade Organization's Trade Laws while being detrimental
7. to the US solar energy industry; and
8. **WHEREAS**, Recently some Solar Power Companies have gone bankrupt
9. crediting a large part of the problem to Chinese Solar Cell dumping; and
10. **WHEREAS**, The US realizes the importance of the Solar Energy Industry and
11. how we the US Congress must ensure that the US Solar Industry remains
12. competitive; now, therefore, be it
13. **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that the US shall file a complaint
14. on China dumping solar cells to the World Trade Organization immediately and
15. implement tariffs on Chinese Solar Cells if needed.

Introduced by

David Millstein
Bronx Science

A resolution to discontinue the use of nuclear power

1 : Whereas: The use of nuclear power is overall a serious liability; and

2 : Whereas: The effects of nuclear accidents last for centuries; and

3 : Whereas: The danger associated with mining, manufacturing, and disposing nuclear

4 : materials outweighs the benefits; and

5 : Whereas: The economic strain caused by public sector investment is significant; and

6 : Whereas: Other “alternative fuel sources” are much safer; now, therefore, be it

7 : Resolved: That the Congress here assembled outlaw the use of nuclear energy in the

United

8 : States

Respectfully Submitted,

Chaminade High School

A resolution to repeal active sections of the USA PATRIOT Act involving domestic surveillance

1 : Whereas: The powers granted of the USA PATRIOT Act have been misused for

2 : unjustified domestic spying; and

3 : Whereas: The provisions have proven to be of little use in the apprehension of

4 : members of Al- Qaeda within the United States; and

5 : Whereas: The safeguards established since then have proven to be inadequate to

6 : protect the civil liberties of American citizens; and

7 : Whereas: The democratic ideals upon which our nations were founded have been

8 : severely violated; now, therefore, be it

9 : Resolved: That the Congress here assembled repeal all active sections of the

10 : PATRIOT Act concerning domestic surveillance.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chaminade High School

A Bill to Eliminate the US One Dollar Paper Bill and the Penny

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED
2. THAT:
3. **SECTION 1:** To eliminate and expire the creation of the US One Dollar Bill and
4. change the 1 dollar to coinage and to eliminate the penny in its entirety
5. **SECTION:** Because the US Dollar Bill is impractical and costs a lot to maintain
6. and the penny has little value and also costs a lot to maintain.
7. **SECTION 3:** The Department of Treasury will oversee the implementation of
8. this bill.
9. **SECTION 4:** This law will take effect immediately
10. **SECTION 5:** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
11. and void.

Submitted by
James Watt
Christopher Columbus, Miami FL

A Resolution Amending the Constitution to Impose Congressional Term Limits

1. **WHEREAS**, The current lack of term limits in both houses of the U. S.
2. Congress leads long-standing Congressional legislators to grow distant from the
3. needs of their constituents; and
4. **WHEREAS**, the prospect of endless reelection prevents incumbent politicians
5. from making difficult political decisions, and reduces their efficiency and
6. productivity; therefore be it
7. **RESOLVED**, That upon approval of two-thirds of this Student Congress here
8. assembled, the following Constitutional amendment be sent to the state
9. legislatures for approval:
10. SECTION 1: Representatives in the House of Representatives will only be
11. permitted to hold office for five two-year terms, consecutive or not, and members
12. of the Senate will only be permitted to hold office for two six-year terms,
13. consecutive or not.
14. SECTION 2: The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by
15. appropriate legislation.

*Introduced by Gregory Keiser,
Delbarton School*

A Resolution to Streamline the Department of Homeland Security

1. **WHEREAS,** The Department of Homeland Security (DHS)
2. is burdened by fragmented bureaucracy
3. and overlapping Congressional oversight; and
4. **WHEREAS,** The Department of Homeland Security is the
5. country's primary protection agency in the
6. civilian field; and
7. **WHEREAS,** The inefficiency of the DHS has resulted in over
8. \$15 billion wasted in failed contracts, \$2 billion in
9. waste and fraud in misuse of government funds,
10. and a slow pace of processing critical security
11. information; now, therefore, be it
12. **RESOLVED,** By this Congress that: The oversight of Homeland
13. Security be streamlined to a single Joint
14. Congressional committee in charge of
15. reviewing actions of the DHS; and, be it
16. **FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Department of Homeland Security
17. declassify certain security information, to be
18. arbitrated by the Homeland Security Congressional
19. committee, in order to break down information
20. barriers among national, state and local govt.

Introduced by Gregory Keiser,

Delbarton School

A Bill to End Economic Sanctions on Cuba

BE IT ENACTED BY THIS CONGRESS THAT:

1. **SECTION 1.** All U. S. economic sanctions against the
2. Republic of Cuba be terminated.
3. **SECTION 2.** *Economic Sanctions:* the United States
4. embargoes and restrictions on trade of
5. all goods besides military goods to Cuba.
6. **SECTION 3.** The United States Treasury Department
7. will enforce this legislation through its
8. Office of Foreign Assets Control. The
9. enforcement will follow the regulations
10. of the Trading with the Enemy Act.
11. **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this bill will be completed
12. by September 30, 2012, besides the
13. ban on travel which will be lifted
14. immediately.
15. **SECTION 5.** All other laws in conflict with this policy
16. shall hereby be declared null and void.

Introduced by Gregory Keiser,

Delbarton School

A Bill to Promote Foreign Export Agreements

1 Section 1: The United States shall extend a proposition to provide economic aid
and 2 resources to “nations in need”.

3 Section 2: A “nation in need” shall be defined as any nation with a Gross
Domestic 4 Product (GDP) under fifty-thousand (50,000) International Dollars.

5 Section 3: The agreement will contain the following terms:

6 1) The United States will provide the “nation in need” until they no longer meet
the 7 criteria in Section 2.

8 2) Once the nation is no longer “in need”, it will have to import any goods they
need 9 from the United States insofar as we are capable of exporting said goods.

10 3) Said nation must abide by the second term for a length of time equal to the
amount of 11 time the United States provided aid to said nation.

12 4) Failure to abide by term 3 will result in economic sanctions for double the
remaining 13 time left on the deal.

14 Section 4: This legislation will be overseen by the US Department of State.

15 Section 5: This legislation will go into effect immediately after passage.

16 Section 6: All laws in conflict with this bill are hereby considered null and void.

Respectfully Submitted,

Half Hollow Hills

A Bill to Repeal the USA PATRIOT Act

1 Section 1: The Uniting and Strengthening America by Proving Appropriate Tools

2 Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 will be repealed.

3 Section 2: Any US citizens convicted of a crime deemed illegal by the USA

PATRIOT 4 Act will be granted amnesty.

5 Section 3: All Property confiscated under the USA PATRIOT Act will be

returned to the 6 original owner.

7 Section 4: This bill will go into effect immediately after passage.

8 Section 5: All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and

void.

Respectfully Submitted,

Half Hollow Hills

A Resolution to Refocus the War on Drugs

WHEREAS, the War On Drugs in Mexico has pushed the drug trade farther south; and

WHEREAS, the drug problem throughout Latin America is escalating; and

WHEREAS, this is causing political and economic turmoil throughout the region; now,
therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Congress here assembled that funds shall be reallocated from the

Merida Initiative to the Central American Regional Security Initiative.

Introduced by Taylor Rose,

Loyola School NYC

A Bill to Sponsor Microfinance in West Africa

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2. **SECTION 1.** The United States' government will reallocate \$100 million from
3. current USAID funds going towards Egyptian military aid. This \$100 million
4. will instead go towards NGOs sponsoring microloans in Niger.
5. **SECTION 2.** NGOs will be defined as non-governmental organizations.
6. Microloans will be defined as loans for less than \$10,000.
7. **SECTION 3. A.** This bill will be overseen by USAID.
8. **B.** Any NGO found to be abusing funding will have to pay back lost funds.
9. **SECTION 4.** This law will take effect within six months of passage.
10. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced by Loyola School

A Resolution to Impose a Time Limit on Occupy Movements

1. **WHEREAS**, the Occupy protests are causing chaotic situations; and
2. **WHEREAS**, the protestors are careless in noise and pollution; and
3. **WHEREAS**, public city areas are being contaminated by protestors' trash and
4. residents are complaining about the noise; now, therefore, be it
5. **RESOLVED**, By the Student Congress here assembled that: there will be an hour
time
6. limit on the amount of time the protests can last.

Respectfully submitted,

Manchester- Essex High School

A Bill to Implement a National Flat Tax

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2. **SECTION 1.** The existing tax system will be replaced by a 9% National Sales
3. Tax, a 9% Individual Flat Tax, and a 9% Business Flat Tax
4. **SECTION 2. A.** The Business Flat Tax will tax the gross income less all
5. investments, all purchases from other businesses, and all dividends paid to
6. shareholders of businesses.
7. **B.** The Individual Flat Tax will tax gross income less charitable deductions of
8. individuals.
9. **C.** The National Sales Tax will tax all goods sold in the United States.
10. **SECTION 3.** This bill will be overseen by the Department of the Treasury and
11. enforced by the Internal Revenue Service.
12. **SECTION 4.** This law will take effect in the fiscal year 2013.
13. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted

Jacob B. Martz

Manchester-Essex Regional High School

A Resolution to Decrease Foreign Aid in Israel

1. **WHEREAS**, Economic and political dependence has resulted from foreign aid
2. and
3. **WHEREAS**, The United States of America currently has a difficult economic
4. situation; and
5. **WHEREAS**, This aid is no longer warranted by Israel; and
6. **WHEREAS**, There are other nations who are in need of this foreign assistance;
7. now, therefore, be it
8. **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that The United States of America
9. decrease foreign aid to Israel.

Introduced by

Manchester-Essex Regional High School

A Bill to Collect and Dismantle Nuclear, Chemical, and Biological Weapons

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2. **SECTION 1.** All countries in possession of nuclear, chemical, and/or biological
3. weapons must dismantle such weapons. All countries must also dismantle any and
4. all facilities devoted to the manufacturing of such weapons.
5. **SECTION 2.** All countries that fail to abide by these terms shall be observed as
6. enemies to all countries of the United Nations. They shall be closely monitored
7. through any means available and, if deemed appropriate, shall become at war with
8. the U.N.
9. **SECTION 3.** Inspectors from every member nation of the U.N. shall be
10. dispatched to confirm that all previously mentioned weapons and facilities have
11. been removed.
12. **SECTION 4.** This law will take effect on January 1st 2012 and shall remain
13. indefinitely.
14. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
15. and void.

Respectfully Submitted

Manchester-Essex Regional High School

A Resolution to Repeal President Obama's Affordable Health Care Act

1. **WHEREAS**, the Health Care Act is far too costly for the U.S. Government; and
2. **WHEREAS**, the Health Care Act is unsustainable and unfeasible; and
3. **WHEREAS**, The U.S. Government currently has too many unsustainable social
4. welfare programs like Social Security, Medicare, and Medicaid; now, therefore,
5. be it
6. **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that President Obama's
7. Affordable Health Care Act be repealed in order to eliminate unaffordable
8. programs and decrease the National debt.

Introduced by

Manchester-Essex Regional High School

A Resolution to Ratify the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

1. **WHEREAS**, the United States has had a recent need for its underwater resources;
2. and
3. **WHEREAS**, a significant amount of these resources are in the Arctic Circle; and
4. **WHEREAS**, Russia has started to lay claim to the entirety of the Arctic Circle
5. under the jurisdiction of the UNCLOS; and
6. **WHEREAS**, the United States cannot combat this without being under the same
7. jurisdiction as Russia; now, therefore, be it
8. **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that the United States ratify the
9. United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea.

Respectfully Submitted by Abraham Mendelson

Montville Township High School

A Bill to Reduce Addiction to Prescription Medication

1. **SECTION 1:** The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) will create and maintain a
2. list of known addictive prescription drugs, known as “addictive drugs” for the
3. purposes of this bill.
4. **SECTION 2:** All prescriptions for addictive drugs must be cataloged on a national
5. database to be created by the FDA and other appropriate regulatory agencies.
6. **SECTION 3: A:** Prescriptions for addictive drugs shall expire 7 days after the
7. prescription is signed by a prescriber.
8. **B:** No patient may receive a prescription for an addictive drug if the patient had
9. received a prescription for the same drug within the last 5 days, regardless of the
10. source of said prescription.
11. **C:** Prescriptions for addictive drugs may not be made out in doses lasting more than 4
12. days.
13. **D:** Prescriptions for addictive drugs may not be made out for those with a history of
14. medication abuse and addiction.
15. **D:** Special exceptions for all subsections of Section 3 may be filed to the FDA for
16. approval.
17. **SECTION 4:** Section 3 does not apply to patients who have undergone surgery
18. within the last two weeks.
19. **SECTION 5:** The sale of drugs on the list of known addictive prescription drugs
20. without valid prescription is a criminal felony punishable by the revoking of a
21. medical license or up to 5 years in prison.
22. **SECTION 6:** In the event of legislative contradiction, all sections of this bill take
23. precedence. Contradicting bills are still valid.
24. **SECTION 7:** This bill shall be enforced by the FDA and other appropriate regulatory
25. agencies.
26. **SECTION 8:** This bill shall take effect upon January of 2013.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anbo Wei, Needham High School

A Resolution to Limit Corporate Advertising in Public Schools

1 Whereas public schools have increasingly become a target for the
2 marketing efforts of large corporations, and
3 Whereas public schools have demonstrated a willingness to sell
4 advertising rights within their walls and on their campuses to
5 these large corporations, and
6 Whereas educational materials laced with corporate logos and slogans
7 have infiltrated America's public schools, and
8 Whereas the purpose of the public school system should be the creation of
9 free thinkers, not the propagation of brand-name zealots;
10 Therefore be it resolved by this congress here assembled that
11 corporations no longer be permitted to make deals with public
12 schools in which achieving increased corporate profit margins
13 through in-school marketing schemes is the motivating factor.

Respectfully submitted by Perkiomen Valley High School

A Resolution to Help Fund Higher Education in America

1. **Whereas** ours is a nation dedicated to life, liberty, and the pursuit of
2. happiness; and
3. **Whereas** such rights ought not be reserved solely for those who can afford
4. them; and
5. **Whereas** education beyond grade 12 corresponds to longer lifespan, greater
6. exercise of liberties, and decreased levels of depression; and
7. **Whereas** attendance at institutes of higher learning has become prohibitively
8. expensive for many in the United States, effectively creating a class system
9. **Therefore** be it resolved by the congress here assembled that the Federal
10. Government increase aid of all forms to high school graduates to promote
11. greater attendance at post-secondary institutes of higher learning.

Respectfully submitted by
Perkiomen Valley High School.

A Bill to Outlaw Growth Hormones in the United States

1 BE ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED

2 THAT:

3 SECTION 1. All farms and ranches that raise livestock are banned from using
4 hormones to further enlarge the animals. The meat produced from the
5 livestock will be checked for hormones and the farm will be checked
6 regularly in order to ensure cooperation with the bill. Any farm or ranch found
7 using growth hormones will be shut down immediately.

8 SECTION 2. Hormones shall be defined as any chemical, added to an
9 animal's diet or injected into the animal, designated to increase the size of the
10 animal in an unhealthy manner.

11 SECTION 3. A. The USDA will be responsible for verifying that the farms
12 are up to date and following the procedure. The USDA will also further
13 investigate the effects of the hormones on the food.

14 SECTION 4. This law will take effect within six months of passage.

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

Respectfully Submitted,
Sarah Spergel
Princeton High School

A Bill to Outlaw and Tax Frakking in the United States in order to

1 BE ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED

THAT:

2 SECTION 1. All companies that are currently frakking in the United States
3 will cease to do so. The companies or individuals that continue to frack shall
4 have a significant tax penalty. The companies that put money into solar
5 powered research shall have a tax reduction. The substances in the
6 frakking liquid must be given to the EPA for further examination. A report
7 must be sent out to all of those effected.

8 SECTION 2. Frakking shall be defined as hydraulic fracturing into the soil. A
9 liquid is spewed into the ground and oil is released. The significant tax penalty
10 shall be defined as 55% of the annual income tax. The tax reduction shall be
11 defined as 15% of the annual income tax.

12 SECTION 3. A. The EPA will be responsible for examining the substance and
13 Sending a report out to the people in the effected nearby area. More research
14 Shall be done in order to further help them B. The Internal Revenue Service
15 Shall be in charge of the tax reduction and tax penalty as mentioned in
16 Section 1 and Section 2.

17 SECTION 4. This law will take effect within six months of passage.

18 SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared

19 Null and void.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sarah Spergel
Princeton High School

A Bill To Make All Drivers Keep Their Vehicle Headlights on all the Time.

1. **Section 1.** Due to safety concerns with drivers on the road everyone will here by be
2 mandated to always keep the headlights on the automobiles on at all times
3 of the day. Anyone found not to have their headlights on will be pulled
4 over and given a ticket and a fine. American car companies will also start
5 making new vehicles where the headlights will be on whenever the car is
6 on.

7 **Section 2.** Whenever the engine of a car is on the headlights will have to be on.
8 Demanding this of drivers will increase safety on roads and decrease the
9 risk of accidents. Anyone found in violation of this new law will have to
10 face the consequence of a fine and repeat offenders may risk getting points
11 on their license, at the enforcing party's discretion.

12 **Section 3.** These restrictions will mostly be enforced by all traffic enforcers, local
13 police, and highway patrolmen. The National Highway Traffic Safety
14 Administration (NHTSA) will oversee that all of these local organizations
15 are properly enforcing the new regulations.

16 **Section 4.** This legislation will be implemented one year after its passing. Car
17 companies will hopefully being to follow suit in their manufacturing in the
18 coming years as well.

19 **Section 5.** All other laws that are in conflict with this new policy shall hereby be
20 declared null and void.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Ben Dobkin
Princeton High School*

Resolution to lower the Nation Debt

1 **Whereas** the United States is currently operating with a substantial budget deficit,

2 **Whereas** the United States needs additional revenue in order to reduce the federal

3 deficit and ultimately reduce the national debt,

4 **Whereas** current capital gains tax policy has cost the United States billions of

5. dollars in

6 potential revenue,

7 **Be It Resolved** by the student congress here assembled, that federal tax rates on all

8 capital gains be set at the same rate as ordinary income such as wages and salary

9 beginning in 2012.

10 **Be it Further Resolved** that tax loopholes that prevent capital gains from being

11taxed at

12 the same rate as ordinary income be closed.

Respectfully Submitted,
Revere High School

A Bill to Restructure Social Security

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED
2. THAT:
3. **SECTION 1.** The minimum eligibility age to receive Social Security benefits is
4. increased from 65 to 67 and the Social Security Administration will implement a
5. means-test for its recipients with incomes of over \$100,000 per year in order to
6. prioritize distribution of aid.
7. **SECTION 2.** Any citizens who receive more than \$100,000 annually shall not\
8. receive Social Security benefits.
9. **SECTION 3.** A means-test is defined as an investigation into the financial
10. position of a person applying for aid from public funds.
11. **SECTION 4.** The Social Security Administration will oversee the enforcement of
12. this bill.
13. **SECTION 5.** This bill will take effect two years upon its passage.
14. **SECTION 6.** All other laws that are in conflict with this new policy shall hereby
15. be declared null and void.

*Introduced by Jon Fanger,
St. Joseph's Preparatory School*

A Bill to Repeal Corporate Taxes in America

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THIS CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:
2. **Section I:** The federal corporate tax system shall be abolished and replaced with a
3. 25% value-added tax applicable to all companies, corporations, conglomerates,
4. and all other business-related entities that operate within the United States for a
5. time period of at least five years.
6. **Section II:** Value-added tax shall be defined as a consumption tax placed on a
7. product whenever value has been added during manufacturing, production, or
8. distribution.
9. **Section III:** This law shall be enacted by the Department of the Treasury under
10. the jurisdiction of the Internal Revenue Service in conjunction with the
11. Department of Commerce.
12. **Section IV:** This law shall take effect on October 1st, 2014, upon the start of the
13. new fiscal year.
14. **Section V:** All other laws in conflict with this bill will hereby be declared null
15. and void.

*Introduced by Evan Wescott
St. Joseph's Preparatory School*

A Bill to Invest in Solar Heat for Oil Wells

1. **Section I:** The United States of America will allocate 500 million dollars to the
2. development of utilizing solar heat for oil wells as a method of oil recovery.
3. **Section II:** Solar heat shall be defined as the use of mirrors as opposed to burning
4. fossil fuels to generate steam for the heating of subterranean oil.
5. **Section III:** The United States Department of Energy will oversee the
6. implementation of this piece of legislation.
7. **Section IV:** This piece of legislation will be enacted on January 1, 2015.
8. **Section V:** All other laws in conflict with this bill will hereby be declared null
9. and void.

*Introduced by Evan Wescott
St. Joseph's Preparatory School*

**A Resolution to Restrict Welfare to Persons Who Receive a GED or High School
Diploma**

1. WHEREAS, It is evident that the government needs to be stricter in giving of aid;
2. WHEREAS, People who have at least a Graduate Equivalency Diploma, GED,
3. are able to compete better in this economy; and
4. WHEREAS, Since welfare is very expensive to taxpayers, only the most needy
5. people should receive it; and
6. WHEREAS, Statistics show more and more people are dropping out of school
7. just for the bonus of welfare; therefore,
8. BE IT RESOLVED BY THIS STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:
9. That citizens will only receive welfare if they are a high school graduate, or have
10. a GED.
11. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That those citizens applying for welfare without
12. a high school diploma or GED must enroll in a GED program and complete it
13. within a twelve
14. month time period. After which, if they have not obtained a GED, they will lose
15. their welfare benefits.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrew Sheats

Southern Lehigh H.S.

A Resolution to Abolish Affirmative Action

- 1: **Whereas:** Colleges and employment centers have currently existing systems in place
- 2: to select students and new employees respectively, and;
- 3: **Whereas:** Said system selects by using a diversity of matrixes and court-approved rigid racial quotas, and;
- 5: **Whereas:** affirmative action was originally intended to correct previous discrimination
6. and violations of civil liberties, and;
- 7: **Whereas:** it has become obsolete with increased racial equality and modern times,
- 8: **Whereas:** it fosters racism and discrimination that runs counter to the goals of racial
- 9: equality, and;
- 10: **Whereas:** affirmative action rewards the ethnicity instead of the skill of the
- 11: applicant, therefore;
- 12: **Be it resolved that:** this congress creates plans for a committee to determine how to
- 13: abolish affirmative action in employment centers and colleges by the school
- 14: year 2015.

Respectfully Submitted,

Syosset High School

A Bill to Improve Bridge Infrastructure

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. **SECTION 1:** All bridges that are used by interstate highways go through an assessment to
2. determine their structural and environmental viability.
3. **SECTION 2:** Bridges found to be structurally deficient will be replaced in a matter of 5 years
4. after the initial findings.
5. **SECTION 3:** A. All public schools have the option to participate in a design competition
6. for bridges being replaced.
7. B. Schools will be given \$50 grant per viable entry.
8. **SECTION 4:** Wherever possible an emphasis will be placed on the utilization of recycled
9. building materials such as plastic lumber and post-industrial recycled steel should be
10. considered as building materials.
11. **SECTION 5:** All newly built bridges will have an access toll of \$5.00 per passenger vehicle
12. and \$7.50 per non passenger vehicle.
13. **SECTION 6:** All corporations involved in building of these bridges must be registered in
14. the United States of America and give these jobs to citizens and legal resident aliens.
15. **SECTION 7:** All funding, building, and maintenance will be overseen by the Department of
16. Transportation.
17. **SECTION 8:** This bill shall be effective immediately upon passage.
18. **SECTION 9:** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted,

Syosset High School

A Resolution to Decrease Illegal Immigration While Increasing Jobs

1. **Whereas:** there are over 13 million illegal immigrants residing in the United States;
2. **Whereas:** in the United States there is a 9.0 percent recorded unemployment, and a 15.1
3. percent discouraged- worker-inclusive unemployment percent;
4. **Whereas:** the Obama Administration's record levels of deportations haven't deterred people
5. from illegally immigrating;
6. **Whereas:** the U.S. spends over 350 billion dollars a year to crackdown on illegal immigration;
7. **Whereas:** the previous attempts to stop illegal immigration such as Operation Gatekeeper in
8. San Diego and Garden Grove have benefited the areas;
9. **Whereas:** the building of a fence would supply millions of jobs to the American people;
10. **Be It Resolved that:** the United States federal government should begin a public works
11. project of a fence 25 feet high along the entire US-Mexican border, inclusive of heat
12. detectors and soldier posts;
13. **Be It Further Resolved that:** only unemployed workers will be hired for this project,
14. with a joint oversight committee.

Respectfully Submitted,

Syosset High School

A Resolution to Decrease Foreign Aid to Israel

- 1: **Whereas:** Foreign aid creates economic and political dependence, and;
- 2: **Whereas:** The United States is currently facing economic turmoil, and;
- 3: **Whereas:** There are other nations more deserving of foreign aid assistance, and,
- 4: **Whereas:** Israel no longer warrants this aid, therefore;
- 5: **BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** The United States decrease foreign aid to Israel.

Respectfully Submitted,

Syosset High School

A Resolution to Revoke the Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security between the United
States and Japan

1: *Whereas:* Japan has been under military restrictions since World War II; and

2: *Whereas:* Restrictions are no longer required for US defense, and;

3: *Whereas:* The majority of Japanese demand reduction of US military presence, and;

4: *Whereas:* Restrictions forbids Japanese maintenance of land, sea, and air forces, and;

5: *Whereas:* Attack or invasion of Japan necessitates the United States Forces Japan to
defend

6: them, and;

7: *Whereas:* These obligations could cause troop casualties and economic pressures, and;

8: *Whereas:* Lifting restrictions allows for further development of international and
economic

9: cooperation, therefore;

10: *Be it resolved that:* the Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security between the United
States 11: and Japan should be revoked and US military restrictions on Japan ought to be
lifted.

Respectfully Submitted,

Syosset High School

A Resolution for Palestinian Statehood

1. **Whereas:** the conflict between Israel and Palestine has reached unacceptable levels and;
2. **Whereas:** many of the actions of both countries are deplorable and;
3. **Whereas:** a two state solution is the only viable solution at this time and;
4. **Whereas:** a separate sovereign Palestinian state would reduce tensions in the region therefore;
5. **Be it Resolved that:** The United State endorses the Palestinian bid for statehood in the United
6. Nations

Respectfully Submitted.

Syosset High School

A Resolution to Redirect Funding for Alternative Fuel Sources to Solar Power

1. **Whereas:** Natural gas, clean coal and nuclear technologies are taking long to develop, and;
2. **Whereas:** Gas and coal, clean or unclean, are nonrenewable resources, and;
3. **Whereas:** Solar Power technology is already developed and only needs investment to make it
4. more widely available, and;
5. **Whereas:** Investment in the technology will inevitably bring down the cost of solar power for
6. American citizens, and;
7. **Whereas:** Solar power is the one of the safest, if not the safest, available sources of
8. energy, therefore;
9. **BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** The United States redirect a portion of its funds going to
10. alternative fuel sources to solar power.

Respectfully Submitted,

Syosset High School

A Resolution to Repair and Maintain America's Dams

1. **Whereas:** The United States Government currently owns only 11% of over
2. 85,000 dams in the country.
3. **Whereas:** The number of high hazard potential dams is increasing at an
4. alarming rate, totaling 15,237.
5. **Whereas:** State dam safety programs do not receive efficient funding to keep
6. dams in good enough shape for the safety of their residents.
7. **Whereas:** High hazard dams bring about numerous pernicious threats to
8. those who live near them and in their surrounding areas.
9. **Whereas:** High hazard dams can be used against us in warfare on our home
10. land, in all parts of the country.
11. **Be it Resolved** that a Dam Maintenance Task Force (DMTF) be created in order
12. to maintain all dams in the United States of America, as well as develop, create,
13. and fix dams that are of high hazard, or have potential of becoming hazardous to
14. people of the United States of America.
15. **Be it Further Resolved** that congress appropriate \$7.45 billion over the next 5
16. years to cover the current dam maintenance shortfall, and to consume the state
17. owned dams.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joseph Heidt

La Salle College High School

A Resolution to Make the United States Electoral System Representational

1. Whereas: the United States of America and a handful of other democracies in the
2. world currently operate on a winner take all electoral system
3. Whereas: the voice of the people and the value of smaller parties are not
4. represented in our current political system.
5. Whereas: Let the United States abolish the current electoral voting system, and
6. instead install a proportional representation, so that all votes are counted.
7. Whereas: Let this system apply to all 50 states, instead of a seldom few, as it does
8. now.
9. Whereas: This system will better represent all Americans and let more candidates
10. offer new ideas in contrast with the current two-party system.
11. Therefore it should be Resolved: That the United States elect its representatives
12. based on proportional representation rather than a winner-take all state wide
13. electoral system.

Respectfully Submitted,

LaSalle College High School

A Resolution To Fund Sexual Education and Provide Birth Control Measures

- 1 **Whereas:** Overpopulation is a worldwide problem; and
2 **Whereas:** overpopulation degrades opportunities for the economic
3 advancement of less developed countries, and
4 **Whereas:** AIDS, famine, lack of education, continued disparities
5 between genders, lack of employment and housing are intertwined
6 hindrances to a better life, and
7 **Whereas:** sex education and birth control protection are the most
8 efficient means to reduce population growth
9 **Therefore,** be it resolved by this Student Congress here assembled
10 that: each year for the next five years the United States
11 government should set aside a substantial amount of foreign aid
12 for countries willing to institute programs of this nature.

Respectfully submitted,

The Berkeley Carroll School

A Resolution To Eliminate the Use of Solitary Confinement

1 **Whereas:** Solitary confinement is widely recognized as a form of torture; and
2 **Whereas:** solitary confinement is a widely applied measure of prisoner
3 control in most American prisons, and
4 **Whereas:** solitary confinement has extreme and painful effects on the
5 human mind that in some cases cannot be cured, and
6 **Whereas:** prisoners who are at risk to others can still be provided with
7 a modified right to human interactions,
8 **Therefore,** be it resolved by this Student Congress here assembled that:
9 solitary confinement be prohibited from further use in any prison in
10 the United States.

Respectfully submitted,

The Berkeley Carroll School

A Resolution To Reform The Tax Code

1 **Whereas:** Federal income taxes do not generate enough revenue to offer any
2 real benefits to the American people; and

3 **Whereas:** Americans are currently deprived of universal healthcare,
4 a better and cheaper public school system, and are suffering
5 at local levels from a range of decreased public services, and

6 **Whereas:** this current lack of governmental follow through on key issues of
7 quality of life for citizens generally deprives Americans of basic rights

8 **Therefore,** be it resolved by this Student Congress here assembled that:

9 A bipartisan commission be assembled to promptly report back to this
10 chamber with a tax code reform that will enable the federal government to
11 effectively fund reforms and improvements in a range of public services.

Respectfully submitted,

The Berkeley Carroll School

A Bill to Reduce the Threat of a Nuclear Iran

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. **SECTION 1.** It shall be the policy of the United States to prevent Iran from
2. acquiring or developing nuclear weapons and ballistic missile capabilities.
3. **SECTION 2.** All multilateral and bilateral sanctions will be implemented against
4. Iran in order to compel the Government of Iran to abandon and dismantle its
5. weapons programs and cease all support for Foreign Terrorist Organizations.
6. **SECTION 3.** This Congress will immediately attempt to initiate diplomatic
7. efforts with the United Nations and bilaterally with allies of the United states to
8. expand the multilateral sanctions regime regarding Iran.
9. **SECTION 4.** State and Local governments are hereby authorized to prohibit
10. entering into contracts or granting licenses to those who conduct certain
11. prohibited business in Iran.
12. **SECTION 5.** The minimum criminal fine for companies that willfully violate
13. U.S. economic sanctions will be increased to \$10 million.
14. **SECTION 6.** All loopholes in United States law that allows foreign subsidiaries
15. of U.S. corporations to trade with Iran will be closed.
16. **SECTION 6.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
17. and void.

*Respectfully Submitted by
Millburn High School*

A Resolution to Better the United States Visa System

1 **WHEREAS** The United States economy is in desperate condition and,

2 **WHEREAS** The national unemployment rate is nearing 10% and,

3 **WHEREAS** Local businesses could be greatly bolstered by an influx of new workers and
4 consumers and,

5 **WHEREAS** The process for obtaining a nonimmigrant visa is unnecessarily laborious
6 and the expedition of the process could do more to attract leisure travelers from around
7 the world and,

8 **WHEREAS** The Visa Waiver Program should be updated,

9 **THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED** that the United States Visa System be
10 reformed, including reasonable travelers programs which would ensure low-risk visa
11 applicants a shorter process, without compromising security.

12 **LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Visa Waiver Program be extended to
13 include the nations of Argentina, Brazil, China, Chile, Poland and Taiwan.

Respectfully submitted by Alexa de Alessandrini.

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