

A Bill to Mandate Childhood Vaccinations

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All children must be inoculated with essential vaccinations before enrolling into
3 kindergarten unless exempted by a licensed medical professional.

4 **SECTION 2.** “Essential Vaccinations” shall be based off of individual state vaccination
5 requirements for a child to enter kindergarten.

6 **SECTION 3.** A. The Department of Health and Human Services shall be responsible for enforcing
7 the provisions of this bill.

8 B. Violations of this bill will result in the denial of a child’s entrance into
9 kindergarten and a \$1000 fine imposed upon the parent or parents of an
10 unvaccinated child entering kindergarten.

11 **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this bill shall take effect 6 months after passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Eric Xie
Hillsborough High School*

A Bill to Mitigate the Effects of the Flint Water Crisis

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall appropriate \$450 million from general revenue towards
3 Flint, Michigan, in the form of a new state-administered federal aid package.

4 **SECTION 2.** The federal aid package shall provide water, water filters, water filter cartridges,
5 water test kits, and other necessary related items.

6 **SECTION 3.** The Federal Emergency Management Agency shall be responsible for enforcing the
7 provisions of this bill.

8 **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this bill shall take effect immediately upon passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Yeaniivah Jaward
King High School*

A Resolution to Reinstate the Office of Technology Assessment

1 **WHEREAS,** Congress currently lacks enough foresight and research into how technology is
2 affecting society; and

3 **WHEREAS,** Without advice tailored to the needs of Congress, technology advances and
4 problems arise that are then left unresolved; and

5 **WHEREAS,** Placing an emphasis on expert opinion in the matters of science and technology will
6 allow legislation that undertakes a problem in a way that is successful and harmless
7 to be created; and

8 **WHEREAS,** Issues in the world of technology gain pertinence and complexity as time goes on;
9 now, therefore, be it

10 **RESOLVED,** That the Student Congress here assembled calls for the reinstatement of the United
11 States Congressional Office of Technology Assessment.

Respectfully submitted,

*Garrett Olson
Sarasota High School*

A Bill to Ban Direct-to-Consumer Pharmaceutical Advertising

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The use of Direct-to-Consumer Pharmaceutical Advertising shall be banned in the
3 United States.

4 **SECTION 2.** “Direct-to-Consumer Pharmaceutical Advertising” shall be defined herein as
5 an effect made by a pharmaceutical company to promote its prescription products
6 directly to patients.

7 **SECTION 3.** A. The Department of Health and Human Services shall be responsible for enforcing
8 the provisions of this bill.

9 B. Violation shall be punished by a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum or
10 imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years or both.

11 **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this bill shall take effect on January 1, 2020.

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

Respectfully submitted,

ChenJishi Lin
Southeast High School

A Bill to Ban Campaign Contributions from Lobbyists

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** It shall be unlawful for candidates running for election or re-election to the House of
3 Representatives or Senate to accept campaign donations from lobbyists hired by
4 large corporations or large banks.

5 **SECTION 2.** A. “Lobbyist” shall be defined as individuals who take part in an organized
6 attempt to influence legislators.

7 B. “Large corporations or large banks” will be defined as corporations or banks
8 with annual net profit of 10 million dollars or more.

9 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice shall be responsible for enforcing the provisions of this
10 bill.

11 **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this bill shall take effect on January 1, 2020.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Jorge Hernandez
Riverview High School*

A Bill to Terminate Relations with Turkey

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Government will place sanctions on the government of Turkey.

3 **SECTION 2.** A. Sanctions will be defined as full economic and diplomatic restrictions
4 implemented on the state of Turkey.

5 B. Economic sanctions on Turkey will be defined as a trade ban. Diplomatic
6 sanctions will be defined as the cutting of all foreign relations with Turkey.

7 **SECTION 3.** The Department of State in conjunction with the Office of Foreign Assets Control
8 shall be responsible for enforcing the provisions of this bill.

9 **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this bill shall take effect immediately upon passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Race Lamboley
Sarasota High School*

A Resolution to Mandate a Zero Carbon Emissions Policy

- 1 **WHEREAS,** There has been an increase in the prevalence of climate change; and
- 2 **WHEREAS,** This has led to environmental problems such as the melting of the polar caps; and
- 3 **WHEREAS,** With a zero-carbon emissions policy, the goals of the Paris Accords can be met; and
- 4 **WHEREAS,** Proper sequestering of the carbon can take place through natural processes; and
- 5 **WHEREAS,** The future of the environment is uncertain; and
- 6 **WHEREAS,** Action needs to be taken, before the effects of climate change are irreversible; now,
- 7 therefore, be it
- 8 **RESOLVED,** That the Student Congress here assembled calls for all businesses to be subject to a
- 9 zero carbon emissions policy.

Respectfully submitted,

*Hannah Jacob
Sickles High School*

A Bill to Promote Investment in Nuclear Energy

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Tax incentives shall be offered to companies in both the private and public sector
3 that invest in nuclear energy.

4 **SECTION 2.** A. “Nuclear energy” shall be defined as energy derived from the process of
5 splitting atoms during nuclear fission that enables turbines to generate electricity.

6 B. “Tax incentives” shall include yearly tax deductions and credits as
7 determined by extent of investment.

8 **SECTION 3.** A. The Department of Energy shall be responsible for enforcing the provisions of
9 this bill.

10 B. The Office of Nuclear Energy shall be tasked with determining the amount of tax
11 incentives each investing company shall receive.

12 **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this bill shall take effect one year after passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Simone Liang
Southeast High School*

A Resolution to Ban Hydraulic Fracturing in the United States

1 **WHEREAS,** Hydraulic fracturing for natural gas and fossil fuels, commonly known as
2 “fracking,” involves the use of chemicals and hazardous materials during
3 construction, drilling, hydraulic fracturing, gas production and delivery; and
4 **WHEREAS,** Many of the chemical constituents injected during hydraulic fracturing have
5 documented harmful health effects and harmful environmental impacts; and
6 **WHEREAS,** The pollution of water caused by fracking threatens the long-term economic
7 well-being of communities, as businesses and consumers depend on clean drinking
8 water; and
9 **WHEREAS,** Protection of the United States’ water supplies and resources is better
10 accomplished by prevention of contamination, rather than attempting to cleaning up
11 contamination and restoring damaged environments; now, therefore, be it
12 **RESOLVED,** That the Student Congress here assembled calls for a ban on the use of hydraulic
13 fracturing in the United States of America.

Respectfully submitted,

*Dana Molina
Riverview High School*

A Bill to Create Alternative Sentencing for First-Time Drug Offenders

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** It shall be mandatory that when a person is arrested for a first-time drug offense he
3 or she will be offered a drug rehab program at a drug rehab clinic, instead of
4 potentially being incarcerated.

5 **SECTION 2.** A. A first time, non-violent, drug offense will be defined as drug possession without
6 a previous drug possession conviction.

7 B. A drug rehab program at a drug rehab clinic will be defined as a program where a
8 person can receive medication-based and/or other forms of therapy.

9 C. The program will be offered at the preliminary hearing.

10 **SECTION 3.** A. The Department of Justice shall be responsible for enforcing the provisions of
11 this bill.

12 B. Funding for this bill will be generated from a 0.08% increase in federal income
13 taxes.

14 **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this bill shall take effect on January 1, 2020.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Noah Berg
Sickles High School*

A Bill to Limit the President’s Authority During a Shutdown

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The President shall not have the authority to change a federal employee or
3 contractor’s “essential” status when a lapse in appropriations exists in the
4 employee’s department, except as provided herein.

5 **SECTION 2.** A. As used herein, an “essential” employee is one whose work protects human
6 life or safeguards property against actual loss, thus allowing them to work while in a
7 non-paid status.

8 B. The provisions of this bill shall not apply in a properly declared national
9 emergency but shall apply retroactively if the declaration is disapproved by the
10 Congress.

11 **SECTION 3.** The Government Accountability Office shall be responsible for enforcing the
12 provisions of this bill. Violations of this bill shall be considered violations of the
13 Anti-Deficiency Act.

14 **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this bill shall take effect immediately upon passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

FGCCFL

A Bill to Abolish ICE

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The Homeland Security agency named U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement
3 (hereinafter “ICE”) shall be abolished.

4 **SECTION 2.** All of ICE’s investigatory and removal authority shall be transferred to the
5 Department of Justice. All of ICE’s enforcement authority shall be transferred to
6 Customs and Border Protection.

7 **SECTION 3.** A. The Department of Homeland Security and the Department of Justice shall be
8 responsible for enforcing the provisions of this bill.

9 B. All appropriations not related to the authorities transferred in Section 2 of this bill
10 shall be transferred to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives.

11 **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this bill shall take effect October 1, 2019.

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

Respectfully submitted,

FGCCFL

A Resolution to Repeal the Religious Freedom Restoration Act

1 **WHEREAS,** Congress passed the Religious Freedom Restoration Act (RFRA) to protect
2 individual religious liberty from government intrusion; and

3 **WHEREAS,** Since then, activist groups have twisted RFRA’s meaning by claiming a
4 religious need to violate other people’s rights, an argument validated by the U.S.
5 Supreme Court in Hobby Lobby v. Burwell; and

6 **WHEREAS,** Congress intended RFRA to be a shield, not a sword; and

7 **WHEREAS,** RFRA has already been found unconstitutional as applied to state and local
8 governments; and

9 **WHEREAS,** RFRA likely violates the First Amendment by favoring religious motivations over
10 nonreligious ones; now, therefore, be it

11 **RESOLVED,** That the Student Congress here assembled calls for the repeal of the Religious
12 Freedom Restoration Act.

Respectfully submitted,

FGCCFL

Rejected Legislation

The following legislation was timely but has been deemed unsatisfactory for the reasons given below. This legislation MAY NOT be debated at this tournament, but if it can be repaired to address ALL of the issues below, it MAY be submitted to a subsequent local tournament. ADVANCE REVIEW OF LEGISLATION IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED. Coaches may email further inquiries to the Congress Coordinator.

A Bill to Send More Military Advisers to Syria

- Does not use approved FGCCFL template

A Bill to Eliminate Solitary Confinement

- Does not use approved FGCCFL template

A Bill to Provide Incentives for the Use of Clean Energy

- Does not address federalism concerns (designates state enforcing agency)

A Bill to Remove “Under God” from the Pledge of Allegiance

- Does not designate an enforcing agency

A Bill to Provide Funding for the Education of Educator[s]

- Does not conform to FGCCFL bill structure

A Bill to Open the Mexican-American Border to Allow Free Travel of People

- Does not use approved FGCCFL template

A Bill to Levy a Carbon Tax on all Corporations

- Not in Microsoft Word format (uploaded as PDF)

A Bill To Lower the Federal Income Tax

- Not in Microsoft Word format (uploaded as PDF)
- Does not use approved FGCCFL template

A Bill to Reward Prisoners for Organ Donations

- Unacceptable topic (just as it was LAST YEAR)
- Does not use approved FGCCFL template

A Bill to Ban Cellphone Use While Driving

- Does not use approved FGCCFL template

A Resolution to Invest in Cyber Security Education

- Does not specify author's name or school