

A Bill to Protect Ethnic Uighur and Other Muslim Minorities in China

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Targeted sanctions shall be imposed upon Chinese government officials and
3 private companies which are found to have engaged in the persecution of Muslim
4 minorities in the Xinjiang Autonomous Region of China.

5 **SECTION 2.** A. “Targeted Sanctions” shall be defined as penalties specifically designated
6 towards individual people and/or companies including, but not limited to, arms
7 embargoes, asset freezes, travel restrictions, etc.

8 B. “Engaged” shall be defined as any action that perpetuates the political
9 crackdown of Muslim minorities in Xinjiang.

10 **SECTION 3.** A. The Department of State in conjunction with the Department of Commerce
11 shall be responsible for enforcing the provisions of this bill.

12 B. The Secretary of State shall impose targeted sanctions upon Chinese
13 Communist Party officials and Regional Communist Party officials responsible
14 for human rights abuses in Xinjiang.

15 C. The Secretary of Commerce shall impose a prohibition of the sale of U.S.–
16 made goods and services to private companies that are responsible for the
17 construction of re-education camps in Xinjiang.

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

19 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with the provisions of this bill shall be declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

*Eric Xie
Hillsborough High School*

A Bill to Promote Democracy in Afghanistan

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A. 5 billion dollars in aid shall be given annually to the Islamic State of
3 Afghanistan to promote the creation of a democracy.

4 B. All US troops will be withdrawn from the Islamic State of Afghanistan.

5 **SECTION 2.** A. 20% of the aid will go towards the construction of infrastructure, 20% of the
6 aid will go towards rebuilding the education system, 10% will go towards
7 rebuilding the military, and 50% will go towards the creation of a democratic
8 government.

9 B. If the Department of State discovers that any aid is being misused, all aid will
10 be withheld for that year and the following year.

11 C. "Democracy" shall be defined as a government without corruption or human
12 rights abuses, where its officials are elected into office through democratic vote.

13 **SECTION 3.** The Department of State shall be responsible for enforcing the distribution of aid
14 and The Department of Defense shall be responsible for enforcing the withdrawal
15 of all US troops.

16 **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this bill shall take effect October 1, 2019. Aid shall be given
17 annually until October 1, 2029. The Department of Defense has until January 1,
18 2022 to remove all troops currently stationed in Afghanistan.

19 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with the provisions of this bill shall be declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

*Christopher Patrick
Pine View School*

A Bill to Sanction Eritrea

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States of America shall impose economic and diplomatic sanctions on
3 the authoritarian government of Eritrea.

4 **SECTION 2.** A. Economic sanctions shall be defined as a ceasing of all trade with the State of
5 Eritrea.

6 B. Diplomatic sanctions shall be defined as a termination of all diplomatic and
7 foreign relations with Eritrea, including but not limited to a withdrawal of all
8 diplomats.

9 **SECTION 3.** A. The Department of State and the Department of the Treasury shall be
10 responsible for enforcing the provisions of this bill.

11 B. The Department of State will also be tasked with instructing the United
12 Nations Ambassador to pursue further actions in the United Nations Security
13 Council in attempts to usher in a new democratic government in Eritrea. Actions
14 may include but are not limited to supporting the use of peacekeeping forces on
15 the State of Eritrea.

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

17 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with the provisions of this bill shall be declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

*Jorge Hernandez
Riverview High School*

A Bill to Promote Safety in the Region of Kashmir

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall deploy 1,500 troops to the Kashmir region to assist the
3 Indian Military as well as provide \$200 million in military aid.

4 **SECTION 2.** The “Kashmir region” is northmost geographical region of India under territorial
5 dispute. American troops shall not engage in acts of combat with foreign forces.

6 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Defense shall enforce the provisions of this legislation. The
7 Secretary of Defense shall have the authority to declare the end of operations,
8 withdrawing troops and military aid.

9 **SECTION 4.** Troop deployment shall occur immediately upon passage. Military aid shall be
10 allotted on April 1, 2019.

11 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with the provisions of this bill shall be declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

*Race Lamboley
Sarasota High School*

1 **A Resolution to Extend United States and China Trade Negotiations**
2 **WHEREAS,** The current truce between the U.S. and China, meant to foster trade negotiations,
3 may not prove effective within the allotted time period; and
4 **WHEREAS,** Returning to imposing sanctions harms not only the global economy, but also the
5 economies of both participating nations; and
6 **WHEREAS,** Allowing for an extended period of time to negotiate gives both countries ample
7 chances to properly resolve the issue; and
8 **WHEREAS,** Satisfying both sides is a necessary component to finding and implementing a
9 solution to the tension; now, therefore, be
10 **RESOLVED,** That the Student Congress here assembled urges an extension on the time period
11 allotted to negotiations between China and the United States.

Respectfully submitted,

*Garrett Olson
Sarasota High School*

A Resolution to Mandate Adequate Compensation for Jury Duty

1 **WHEREAS**, as many as 15% of employees of large- and medium-sized businesses are not
2 receiving adequate compensation for their legally required jury duty; and

3 **WHEREAS**, many people’s ability to support their families suffers due to a decrease in their
4 compensation while serving jury duty; and

5 **WHEREAS**, lengthy trials, in particular, can severely affect people’s ability to support their
6 families; and now, therefore, be it

7 **RESOLVED**, That the Student Congress here assembled calls for an increase in compensation
8 for workers with regularly scheduled hours who are required to miss work for jury
9 duty.

Respectfully submitted,

*Emily Baker
Wharton High School*

A Bill to Change the Top Tax Bracket

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The 37% marginal income tax rate shall be increased to 45%.

3 **SECTION 2.** A. As used herein, the marginal income tax rate is the rate assessed on a single
4 filer income exceeding \$510, 300 or joint income exceeding \$612,350.

5 B. All additional revenues collected shall be earmarked for the Bureau of the
6 Public Debt.

7 **SECTION 3.** A. The Department of the Treasury shall be responsible for enforcing this bill.

8 B. There shall be an additional 0.5 percent tax penalty every month on all unpaid
9 taxes.

10 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall take effect January 1, 2020.

11 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with the provisions of this bill shall be declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

*Gary Huddleston
Jesuit High School*

A Bill to Lift Sanctions from Venezuela

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Government shall remove the sanctions described in Executive
3 Orders: 13692, 13808, 13827, and 13835 against the Bolivarian Republic of
4 Venezuela.

5 **SECTION 2.** A sanction shall be defined as "political and economic decisions that are part of
6 diplomatic efforts by countries, multilateral, or regional organizations against
7 states or organizations either to protect national security interests, or to protect
8 international law, and defend against threats to international peace."

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

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

11 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with the provisions of this bill shall be declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

*Aditya Gautham
King High School*

A Bill to Automatically Register The Voting Eligible Population

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Voting eligible citizens shall be automatically registered to vote in elections held
3 at any level upon transactions with a state agency. Voter rolls shall be updated
4 during subsequent transactions to ensure that the process is current and efficient.

5 **SECTION 2.** A. “Voting eligible citizen” shall be defined as any American born or naturalized
6 citizen aged eighteen or older who has not been convicted of any felonies.

7 B. “State agency” shall be defined as the state Department of Motor Vehicles or
8 some such equivalent.

9 **SECTION 3.** A. Individual state Election Commissions shall be responsible for maintaining
10 rolls and registration of new voters unless they choose to opt out of registration.

11 B. The Department of Justice shall be responsible for enforcing the provisions of
12 this bill, and ensuring compliance among the states through civil litigation.

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

14 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with the provisions of this bill shall be declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

*Aaron Press
Palm Harbor University High School*

A Bill to Increase Federally Funded Temporary Housing for Natural Disaster Victims

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The Federal Emergency Management Agency's Individuals and Households

3 Program shall see an increase in funding by 5 billion dollars each fiscal year.

4 **SECTION 2.** A. The Individuals and Households Program will be defined as a financial help or

5 direct services to those who have necessary expenses and serious needs if they are

6 unable to meet the needs through other means.

7 B. Financial help or direct services shall be defined as financial aid to citizens

8 needing relocation due to the damage or destruction to their homes due to natural

9 disaster.

10 C. Financial aid shall be assistance in finding affordable and stable new

11 temporary housing.

12 **SECTION 3.** Federal Emergency Management Agency in conjunction with state and local

13 governments shall be responsible for enforcing the provisions of this bill.

14 **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this bill shall take effect on May 1, 2019.

15 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with the provisions of this bill shall be declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

*Ariane Shedlock
Sarasota High School*

A Bill To Promote Global Democracy

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall provide incentives to nations that have a democratic
3 system of government by establishing an economic union between all democratic
4 nations.

5 **SECTION 2.** A. A democratic system of government will be defined as nations that have a
6 system of government by which the whole population or all the eligible members
7 of a state have control of the government.

8 B. An “economic union” will be defined as an international organization where
9 trade and other economic benefits will be easily accessible for member states.

10 This union will be headed by the United States.

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

13 B. The State Department may be allowed extra funding to enforce the provisions
14 of the bill.

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

16 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with the provisions of this bill shall be declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

*Noah Berg
Sickles High School*

A Resolution to Condemn Uighur Detention in China

1 **WHEREAS,** An estimated 1 million Uighurs have already been detained in internment style
2 camps in China’s Xianjing province; and

3 **WHEREAS,** The detained population’s freedom of religion and right to a fair trial have been
4 violated; and

5 **WHEREAS,** China has continued Uighur detention despite condemnation from the United
6 Nations; and

7 **WHEREAS,** Targeted sanctions against individual members of Chinese government
8 responsible for the detainment could better deter these human rights abuses; now,
9 therefore, be it

10 **RESOLVED,** That the Student Congress here assembled condemn the Chinese government for
11 the current Uighur detention; and be it

12 **FURTHER RESOLVED,** That this Student Congress urge the President to use the Global
13 Magnitsky Act to sanction Chinese officials who have orchestrated the current
14 detainment policy.

Respectfully submitted,

*Jack McKyton
St. Petersburg High School*

Rejected Legislation

A Resolution to Protect American Democracy by Instituting a Direct Popular Vote

- The topic (abolishing the Electoral College) is EXCEEDINGLY STALE.
- The constitutional amendment does not identify a single ratification mechanism.

Super Congress legislation will be posted to Tabroom under separate cover.