

A Resolution to Mandate Financial Literacy to Graduate High School

1 **WHEREAS**, Seventy-five percent of American teens lack confidence in their knowledge of
2 personal finance; and

3 **WHEREAS**, It should be required to take a course on financial literacy on how to effectively
4 use financial skills;

5 **WHEREAS**, With required courses for all students to graduate high school; and

6 **WHEREAS**, All high school students will be able to have a foundation on financial literacy;
7 now, therefore, be it;

8 **RESOLVED**, That the Student Congress here assembled calls for the demand to mandate
9 financial literacy as a graduation requirement for all students; and be it

Respectfully submitted,

Shaliana Bravo
Southeast High School

A Bill to Prohibit Child Marriage

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Marriage shall be prohibited in the event that one or both of the individuals being
3 married are below the age of eighteen.

4 **SECTION 2.** A. The term “marriage” is the legal union of a couple as spouses. The basic
5 elements of a marriage are: (1) the parties' legal ability to marry each other, (2)
6 mutual consent of the parties, and (3) a marriage contract as required by law.

7 B. Any individual below the age of 18 and dependent upon a guardian is to be
8 considered incapable of consenting to a marriage contract.

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

11 B. Each State’s respective marriage-license bureaus or any other organizations
12 responsible for issuing marriage-licenses must ensure that both parties are at least
13 18 years of age before granting a marriage-license.

14 C. An exception may be granted based on state law in the event the age difference
15 between either party is not in excess of two years, granted that neither party is a
16 dependent, and both are legally capable of consenting to the marriage contract.

17 D. Any existing marriage licenses in which one or both parties are below the age
18 of eighteen are to be declared null.

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Arthur Oganisyan
St. Petersburg High School*

A Resolution to Increase Green Building Efforts in the U.S.

- 1 **WHEREAS**, Household energy waste in the United States is at an all-time high; and
- 2 **WHEREAS**, Energy waste causes environmental problems including increased greenhouse gas
- 3 emissions; and
- 4 **WHEREAS**, These environmental problems are compounded by the widespread use of fossil
- 5 fuels and other polluting forms of energy; and
- 6 **WHEREAS**, Green buildings are optimized to take advantage of renewable and sustainable
- 7 energy; and
- 8 **WHEREAS**, Green building processes serve to minimize energy waste, both in construction
- 9 and in daily use; now, therefore, be it
- 10 **RESOLVED**, That the Congress here assembled calls for an increase in green building efforts.

Respectfully submitted,

*Devin Escobedo
Sarasota High School*

**A Resolution to Propose a Constitutional Amendment
to Abolish the Filibuster**

1 **WHEREAS,** The filibuster hinders Congress from voting on and passing legislation; and

2 **WHEREAS,** This causes the country as a whole to suffer from a lack of reform; and

3 **WHEREAS,** The practice of the filibuster also serves to undermine the institutions of
4 democracy on which America was built; and

5 **WHEREAS,** The filibuster’s abolishment will breathe new life into Congress and improve the
6 manner in which it conducts legislative business; now, therefore, be it

7 **RESOLVED,** By two-thirds of the Congress here assembled, that the following article is
8 proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which shall be
9 valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when ratified by three-
10 fourths of the several states within two years from the date of its submission by
11 the Congress:

12 style="text-align:center">ARTICLE --.

13 SECTION 1: “Filibustering,” or the practice of obstructing a vote for an
14 indeterminate amount of time to delay the passage of a legislation,
15 shall henceforth be prohibited.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Sraddha Karthik
Sickles High School*

A Resolution to Limit Corporate Lobbying

1 **WHEREAS**, Corporate lobbying is an unethical and unjust practice that should be further
2 limited by the government; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Corporate lobbying is rampant among all congressional levels; and

4 **WHEREAS**, Corporate lobbying can prohibit the fair representation of the people through the
5 use of money such as briberies and donations; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Corporate lobbying results in unfair competition and corrupts governmental
7 organizations; and

8 **WHEREAS**, Corporate lobbying by for-profit companies or professional lobbyists significantly
9 reduces the power of the voter and the power of the individual; now, therefore be
10 it

11 **RESOLVED**, That the Student Congress here assembled strictly regulates the parameters of
12 lobbying within our government by doing more background checks and routinely
13 checking on them.

Respectfully submitted,

*Kevin Pham
Riverview High School*

A Bill to Raise Funding for Suicide Prevention

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The budget for suicide prevention of the National Center for Injury Prevention
3 and Control in 2024 will be increased to \$40 million, double what was budgeted
4 in the 2022 year.

5 **SECTION 2.** A. Suicide is defined as death caused by injuring oneself with the intent to die.

6 B. Amount may be subject to change depending on the 2023 budget.

7 **SECTION 3.** The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention shall be responsible for enforcing
8 the provisions of this bill.

9 **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this bill shall take effect on January 1, 2024.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Curren Murphy
Osceola Fundamental High School*

A Bill to Fund the Research and Development of Artificial Intelligence

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall allocate \$3 billion to funding the research and
3 development of artificial intelligence.

4 **SECTION 2.** Artificial intelligence (AI) shall be defined as machine learning algorithms, which
5 allow computers to learn from data and improve their performance over time
6 without being explicitly programmed.

7 **SECTION 3.** A. The White House Office of Science and Technology Policy shall be
8 responsible for enforcing the provisions of this bill, and the Department of the
9 Treasury shall be responsible for allocating the funding for AI research and
10 development.

11 B. The National Institute of Standards and Technology shall be responsible for
12 enforcing the ethics this bill may impose.

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Mahinur Mahi
Hillsborough High School*

A Bill to Give All Minors Legal Identification Cards

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States will issue legal identification cards to all U.S. citizens under 18
3 years of age.

4 **SECTION 2.** A. The identification cards will include the child's full legal name, location of
5 birth, date of birth, parents' full legal names and contact information, necessary
6 medical information, and child's photo.

7 B. As used herein, "necessary medical information" shall include life-threatening
8 allergies and chronic illnesses.

9 C. "Parents' contact information" may include phone numbers and email
10 addresses.

11 D. The photo shall be updated every three years.

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

14 B. Hospitals will give out identification cards along with birth certificates.

15 **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this bill shall take effect on January 1, 2024.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Avery Brown
H.B. Plant High School*

A Bill to Facilitate the Involvement of the College Board Nationwide

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The Federal Government shall distribute \$300 million among states to expand
3 access to resources provided from the College Board, and if no significant
4 improvement is seen, state funding given through this legislation shall be
5 removed.

6 **SECTION 2.** A. Funding provided by this bill shall be used with full state discretion.

7 B. The College Board's resources shall include, but not be limited to, increasing
8 access to teachers for Advanced Placement courses, Advanced Placement testing,
9 and SAT testing.

10 C. Significant improvement shall be defined as improved test scores through
11 Advanced Placement and the SAT.

12 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Education shall be responsible for enforcing the provisions of
13 this bill.

14 **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this bill shall take effect on June 1, 2024.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Henry Mayne-Chang
Pine View School*

A Bill to provide foreign aid to Pakistan

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The US government shall provide bilateral aid in the equivalent of 500 million
3 USD to Pakistan.

4 **SECTION 2.** Bilateral aid should be defined as assets, resources, and money given to help a
5 recipient country that requires economic stimulation and growth.

6 **SECTION 3.** A. The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) shall be responsible
7 for enforcing the provisions of this bill.

8 B. The money allocated for bilateral aid will come from the USAID budget on
9 foreign aid spending in the congressional budget for the 2024 fiscal year.

10 **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this bill shall take effect on October 1, 2023.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Arya Agarwal
Strawberry Crest High School*

A Bill to Require Wet Scrubber Filtration in Factories

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Wet scrubber filtration will be required in all United States industrial factories
3 emitting harmful air pollutants.

4 **SECTION 2.** A. “Industrial factories” shall be defined as any industrial manufacturing or
5 processing plants emitting air pollutants.

6 B. “Harmful air pollutants” shall be defined as any inorganic fumes, vapors, gases
7 or greenhouse gases being emitted in excessive amounts determine by the
8 Environmental Protection Agency.

9 C. “Wet scrubber filtration” shall be defined as an air pollution filtering device
10 using a liquid to remove contaminants.

11 **SECTION 3.** A. The Environmental Protection Agency shall be responsible for enforcing the
12 provisions of this bill.

13 B. Factories not in compliance with the provisions of this bill shall be required to
14 cease operations until wet scrubber filtration has been installed.

15 **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this bill shall take effect 5 years after passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Anika Sackerlotzky
Sarasota High School*

A Resolution to Incorporate Drug and Alcohol Abuse Education in Schools

- 1 **WHEREAS**, Over 400,000 teenagers meet the criteria for Alcohol Use Disorder; and
2 **WHEREAS**, Over two million teenagers are using drugs nationwide; and
3 **WHEREAS**, Millions of teenagers have died at the hands of alcohol and drugs; and
4 **WHEREAS**, This problem continues to exponentially grow throughout the nation; and
5 **WHEREAS**, Many teenagers report no knowledge about the dangers of drugs and alcohol;
6 now, therefore, be it
7 **RESOLVED**, That the Student Congress here assembled urges public schools to include a class
8 dedicated to the education of drugs and alcohol abuse.

Respectfully submitted,

Puja Patel
Southeast High School

A Bill to Limit Section 230 Immunity

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The provisions of Section 230 of the Telecommunications Act granting immunity
3 to online platforms shall not extend to commercial advertising or paid placement.

4 **SECTION 2.** A. As used herein, “commercial advertising” shall refer to the creation or
5 publication of any content proposing a commercial transaction.

6 B. As used herein, “paid placement” shall refer to the publication of any content
7 for which the online platform received payment, including subscription fees, from
8 the creator.

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

11 B. The federal courts shall have jurisdiction over all cases and controversies
12 arising under the provisions of this bill.

13 **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this bill shall take effect 90 days after passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

FGCCFL

A Bill to Limit the Effective Term of Supreme Court Justices

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A new vacancy shall be deemed to exist for an associate justice of the Supreme
3 Court of the United States on the first Monday in July of every odd-numbered
4 year.

5 **SECTION 2.** A. All cases heard under the Supreme Court's appellate jurisdiction shall be
6 decided by the Chief Justice and the eight associate justices with the least
7 seniority who are not recused. If the Chief Justice is recused, the case shall be
8 decided by the nine associate justices with the least seniority.

9 B. Federal rules governing recusal shall apply fully to justices of the Supreme
10 Court.

11 **SECTION 3.** A. The Judicial Conference of the United States shall be responsible for enforcing
12 the provisions of this bill.

13 B. Vacancies arising due to the departure of an associate justice appointed prior to
14 passage of this bill shall not be filled if the Supreme Court still has at least nine
15 justices.

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

FGCCFL

A Bill to Cancel Student Loans after Seven Years

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Student loan debt held or guaranteed by the United States shall be cancelled no
3 more than seven years from the first day of repayment. All other student loan debt
4 shall be dischargeable in bankruptcy seven years from the first day of repayment.

5 **SECTION 2.** A. As used herein, “student loan debt” shall include all loans made exclusively for
6 the purpose of paying postsecondary education expenses.

7 B. Cancellation of student loan debt shall be excluded from gross income.

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

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

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A Resolution to Protect the Right to Vote

- 1 **WHEREAS**, States routinely impose restrictions on the right to vote, from early registration
2 deadlines to ID requirements to limitations on absentee voting; and
- 3 **WHEREAS**, These restrictions have a disparate impact on persons of color, women, young and
4 elderly voters, persons with disabilities, and the poor; and
- 5 **WHEREAS**, The right to vote is too important to be subject to these restrictions; and
- 6 **WHEREAS**, The courts have found that such restrictions are, in most cases, constitutional; and
- 7 **WHEREAS**, The Fourteenth Amendment provides a remedy by reducing the congressional
8 apportionment of states that prevent qualified voters from voting; and
- 9 **WHEREAS**, The Nineteenth and Twenty-Sixth Amendments allow for the extension of this
10 remedy to protect women and voters under 21; and
- 11 **WHEREAS**, This provision of the Constitution has rarely been invoked but is needed now
12 more than ever; now, therefore, be it
- 13 **RESOLVED**, That the Student Congress here assembled calls for a proportional reduction in the
14 apportionment of states that impose any obstacles to voting, except on the basis of
15 felony conviction, as provided in Section 2 of the Fourteenth Amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

FGCCFL