

A Bill to Bring DACA and DAPA Protections Together

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 Section 1. Both the DACA and DAPA programs shall be instated with the US.

3 Section 2. DACA refers to individuals who entered the United States before their
4 16th birthday as of June 2007. DAPA refers to immigrants who are
5 parents of US lawful citizens of US permanent residents.

6 Section 3. The United States Citizenship and Immigrations Services, along with the
7 Department of Justice, shall oversee the implementation of this legislation.
8 \$1,000,000,000 (1 billion) shall be dedicated to US immigration courts to
9 aid in the influx of cases. This legislation shall be reviewed every four
10 years, and will expire after October 1st 2028.

11 Section 4. This legislation shall go into effect October 1st 2018.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Christopher Hamilton, Apopka High School

A Bill to Fund Positive Train Control on All Railway Systems in the U.S.

1 Be it enacted by this FFL Congressional Debate here assembled that:

2 Section I. The United States Federal Government shall fund the implementation of
3 Positive Train Control (PTC) for all interstate railway systems in the
4 United States.

5 Section II. Positive Train Control (PTC) is defined as a system that uses GPS,
6 wireless radio, and computers to monitor trains and stop them from
7 colliding, derailing, and speeding.

8 Section III. The United States Department of Transportation shall oversee the
9 implementation of this legislation.

10 A. \$15,000,000,000 shall be allocated for the initial implementation
11 and \$500,000,000/year annually for the upkeep and maintenance of
12 these systems over the next five years.

13 B. The funding for this legislation shall be reallocated from the
14 Department of Defense.

15 C. This legislation will be reviewed on by January 1, 2024 to
16 determine appropriate levels of funding for further maintenance.

17 Section IV. This legislation will go into effect on January 1, 2019.

18 Section V. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Davies Hoy, Bishop Moore High School

A Resolution to Improve Forensic Evidence in Criminal Trials

1 Whereas, Forensics Science has continuously been misused when presenting
2 evidence in criminal trials; and

3 Whereas, DNA testing has exonerated more than 242 wrongfully convicted
4 individuals; and

5 Whereas, re-examination of evidence such as hair samples and bite marks by
6 different examiners can result in different conclusions; and

7 Whereas, there is no population-based database that contain subjects' hair
8 characteristics, making it impossible to estimate the probability of a
9 match; and

10 Whereas, bite-mark analysis is extremely complex, with many factors involved in a
11 forensics dentist's ability to determine the identity of the perpetrator; and

12 Whereas, while each person does have unique fingerprints, matching them can be
13 difficult, even for experts; therefore, be it

14 Resolved, By this FFL Congressional Debate here assembled that no court should be
15 allowed to accept bite mark analysis, samples of hair, blood, or
16 fingerprints, unless it has been tested for DNA traces,

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Stephanie Odom, Bishop Moore H.S.

A Bill to Promote Peace in Israel

1 Be it enacted by this FFL Congressional Debate here assembled that:

2 Section I. The Jerusalem Embassy Act is hereby repealed, as are the December 6,
3 2017, official recognition of Jerusalem as the capital of Israel, and the
4 Department of State’s order to begin planning for the relocation of the
5 U.S. Embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem.

6 Section II. The “Jerusalem Embassy Act” shall be defined as Public Law 104-45 as
7 passed by the 104th Congress on October 23, 1995, and effective as of
8 November 8, 1995. The “December 6, 2017, of Jerusalem as the capital of
9 Israel” shall be defined as Presidential Proclamation 9683, as enacted by
10 President Donald Trump in 2017. The “Department of State’s order to
11 begin planning for the relocation of the U.S. Embassy from Tel Aviv to
12 Jerusalem” shall be defined as the directive confirmed to exist in Secretary
13 of State Rex Tillerson’s press statement from December 6, 2017,
14 regarding President Trump’s decision to recognize Jerusalem as Israel’s
15 capital.

16 Section III. This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage, but shall be
17 repealed, and the Jerusalem Embassy Act reinstated as law, upon the
18 completion of final status talks in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict in which
19 Jerusalem’s status as Israel’s capital is internationally recognized.

20 Section IV. The Department of State shall oversee the enforcement of this legislation.

21 Section V. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

A Bill to Remove the Phrase “Under God” From The Pledge of Allegiance

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 Section 1. The words “under God” would be removed from the United States’ Pledge
3 of Allegiance.

4 Section 2. This phrase is in direct conflict with Article VI of the Constitution, which
5 states “... no religious Test shall ever be required as a Qualification to any
6 Office or public Trust under the United States.”

7 Section 3. Execution of this bill will be overseen by the US Office of Government
8 Ethics (OGE).

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

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

Submitted for Congressional Debate by Kyla Candrilli, Fleming Island High School

A Bill to Reduce Exploitation by Restricting Payday Loan Companies

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 Section 1. Restrictions will be placed upon payday loan companies in order to
3 prevent predation on vulnerable civilians. The sum of total interest
4 payments will not be allowed to exceed 1.5 times original loan amount;
5 i.e. the final repayment cannot exceed 250% of the initial loan.

6 Additionally, if a client is unable to completely pay off their interest
7 within 6 months of receiving a loan, and they have paid the amount of
8 money that they originally borrowed, they will no longer be required to
9 pay interest to the payday loan company.

10 Section 2. A. A payday loan company has individuals borrow a small amount at
11 a very high rate of interest. The borrower typically writes a post-
12 dated personal check in the amount they wish to borrow plus a fee
13 in exchange for cash.

14 B. Interest refers to all charges payable by a borrower to a licensee as
15 a condition to a loan, including fees.

16 Section 3. This legislation will be enforced by the Consumer Financial Protection
17 Bureau.

18 Section 4. This act will be implemented immediately following the passage of this
19 bill.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Sarah Tu, Gulf Breeze High School

The Presidential Transparency Act of 2018

1 Be it enacted by the Student Congress here assembled that:

2 Section 1. This legislation shall require the president and vice president to
3 unequivocally divest themselves from any potential financial conflicts of
4 interest. The domain of this bill will also apply to presidential appointees
5 during their time in office.

6 Section 2. Potential conflicts of interest shall be defined as: any financial assets that
7 will impede the execution of the office of the President. This includes but
8 is not limited to: release of all tax returns, and any previous investment in
9 any non-governmental business.

10 Section 3. The United States Securities and Exchange Commission in joint
11 cooperation with the Federal Trade Commission and the Internal Revenue
12 Service shall be responsible for enforcing the provisions of this bill, under
13 the purview of the Department of Justice. The implementation of this
14 legislation shall be given a yearly \$100 billion spending cap, subject to
15 oversight, and any alteration made, by the Congressional Budget Office.

16 Section 4. The provisions of this bill shall take effect on May 1, 2018.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Rep. Sahas Chintakayala, C. Leon King High School

A Bill to Enact DACA and DAPA

1 Be it enacted by the Student Congress here assembled that:

2 Section 1. The Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, and the Deferred Action for
3 Parents of Americans and Lawful Permanent Residents will be enacted
4 into law. Persons who age out of DACA will be given the opportunity for
5 permanent residence. The funding for this program, levied through a
6 capping of tax deductions to 28 cents on the dollar for the top 3% of
7 earners, will be used to modernize and improve the immigration process.
8 Excess funding will be diverted back into the general reserve of tax
9 revenue.

10 Section 2. The definition for “age out” shall be the same as specified in the existing
11 policy as announced in 2012.

12 Section 3. The U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, along with the U.S.
13 Immigration and Customs Agency and the Department of Homeland
14 Security will provide enforcement. The approval of the funding increase
15 will come from the Congressional Budget Office.

16 A. Modernization will include the subsidization of DACA and DAPA
17 application fees and the expansion of immigration courts.

18 Section 4. This legislation will go into effect one month after the indicated process is
19 completed.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Govind Srikanth, C. Leon King High School

A Resolution to Urge Congress to Revise its Welfare Programs

1 Whereas, The United States federal government is excessively spending on its
2 welfare programs; and

3 Whereas, Welfare programs although necessary need readjusting and redefining; and

4 Whereas, The current distributive process is inadequate; and

5 Whereas Welfare fraud needs addressing appropriately; and

6 Whereas , Such actions would help minimize the United States national debt;

7 therefore, be it

8 Resolved, by the Student Congress here assembled to take action against the United

9 States' failing welfare programs.

Respectfully submitted for Congressional Debate by Luke Jones, Niceville High School

A Bill to Solve College Debt

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 Section 1. A. A payment withholding system will be enacted in which college
3 graduates will not have to make payments for their Federal Student
4 Loans until they reach a salary equivalent of \$39,152, at which
5 point they will be charged 4 percent of their total gross earnings.

6 B. The payments will increase gradually to a maximum of 8 percent
7 for individuals making \$79,945 or more.

8 C. There will be no more subsidies on student loans.

9 Section 2. A. Federal Student Loans are loans made by the federal government
10 that usually offer lower interest rates and have more flexible
11 repayment options than loans from banks or other private sources.

12 B. Payment withholding is when students with student loan debts
13 automatically have a certain amount taken from their check that is
14 paid toward their loans.

15 C. Subsidies are a sum of money granted by the government or a
16 public body to assist an industry or business so that the price of a
17 commodity or service may remain low or competitive.

18 Section 3. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) will oversee the implementation and
19 maintenance of this legislation.

20 Section 4. This bill will come into action immediately after being passed.

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

Respectfully submitted by Zoe San Martin, Ransom Everglades School

A Resolution to Allow Pharmacists to Prescribe Birth Control

1 Whereas, 70% of women in their reproductive years are sexually active and do not
2 desire to become pregnant; and

3 Whereas, pregnancies that are unplanned cost \$12 billion annually to U.S. taxpayers;
4 and

5 Whereas, trying to get birth control from a physician’s office can be expensive,
6 time-consuming, and often inconvenient for women; and

7 Whereas, easier access to birth control will decrease the number of the unwanted
8 pregnancies and abortions; now, therefore, be it

9 Resolved, That the Student Congress here assembled allow Pharmacists to prescribe
10 Birth Control to women 18 and older with a written medical history and
11 consultation.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Ally Partee of Sarasota High School

The Clean Water Act of 2018

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

2 Section 1. A. \$400 billion will be invested to improving the nation’s drinking
3 water infrastructure.

4 B. Chromium 6 will be capped at 0.06 parts per billion.

5 Section 2. Drinking water infrastructure includes the physical components that
6 comprise a water utility’s source of supply, treatment, storage,
7 transmission and distribution systems.

8 Section 3. The money will go to the Environmental Protection Agency to fund
9 construction projects regarding drinking water and wastewater systems, as
10 well as, enforcing the regulations for Chromium 6.

11 Section 4. The funding will be delivered within 3 months of the passage of this bill.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Bennett Aikey, Wellington High School

A Bill to Ban Lithium Mining

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 Section 1. All forms of lithium mining in the United States shall hereby be banned.
3 Lithium mining companies must cease all mining activities immediately
4 and are prevented from including lithium batteries in their products one
5 year after the bill's passage.

6 Section 2. Lithium mining shall be defined as lithium produced through the process
7 of extracting lithium-containing brine from underground pools and then
8 concentrating it through solar evaporation.

9 Section 3. The U.S. Department of Energy, in coordination with the U.S. Department
10 of the Interior and the Environmental Protection Agency, shall oversee the
11 implementation of this legislation.

12 A. If any company continues lithium mining activities of any sort or
13 includes lithium batteries in their products at any point beyond the
14 one year grace period, 75% of all monthly profits made shall be
15 seized, and the company will be placed upon a watchlist which
16 prevents the company from receiving any tax breaks until all
17 mining is halted.

18 Section 4. This bill shall be implemented on June 1st, 2018.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Eric Dilts, Western High School

The Nursing Under Regulations to Support the Elderly (NURSE) Act

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 Section 1. Federal funds shall be relinquished from all nursing homes, which from
3 here on out, are convicted of three serious offenses.

4 Section 2. Nursing homes are institutions providing residential accommodations with
5 health care, especially for elderly people. Serious offenses shall include,
6 but are not limited to, problems with patient-centered care, admission of
7 elderly people, eviction, providing all necessary care, or upholding all
8 current federal and state laws.

9 Section 3. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, alongside the
10 Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) shall oversee the
11 implementation of this bill.

12 A. Using the inspections already held by these entities, the following
13 procedure shall be followed for infractions found through the
14 inspections of nursing homes. If one infraction is found (on a
15 single instance), the nursing home shall lose 50% of federal funds.
16 The second infraction shall cost the nursing home 75% of federal
17 funds, and the third infraction shall cost the nursing home all
18 federal funds.

19 Section 4. This legislation shall be implemented on September 14th, 2019.

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

Respectfully submitted for Congressional Debate by Giancarlo Cabeza, Western High School