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A BILL TO BUILD ZUMWALT CLASS DESTROYERS

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The Department of Defense shall allocate 50 Billion dollars in funds to the
3 further development of current Zumwalt class destroyer and construction
4 of further Zumwalt class destroyers.

5 **SECTION 2. (A)** This bill will create 7 New Zumwalt class destroyers after a committee
6 of engineers and Navy Commanders, created by the Department of
7 Defense, determine that the current Zumwalt class destroyers are fit for
8 combat.

9 **(B)** The new destroyers will be built based off of any developments or
10 improvements on the current destroyers.

11 **(C)** Further developments shall be defined as developments to the
12 Zumwalt class of destroyers that will improve its combat and
13 seaworthiness.

14 **SECTION 3. (A)** Five of the seven destroyers shall be made available for sale to any of
15 the following eligible client nations: Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, or any
16 member to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO). The other 2
17 will be used by the discretion of the US Navy.

18 **(B)** The base sale price for these destroyers shall be seven billion dollars.

19 **SECTION 4.** The Department of Defense shall be responsible for carrying out this
20 legislation.

21 **SECTION 5.** This bill will go into effect six months from the date of passage.

22 **SECTION 6.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted for debate by Nate Kelley, Xavier High School

A Bill to Create an Opt-Out System For Non Living Organ and Tissue Donations

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** All current and future citizens of the United States shall be automatically
2 registered as organ and tissue donors in their state of residency regardless
3 of any outside factors (such as religion).

4 A. Once that citizen is over 18 years of age, they may "opt-out" and no longer be a
5 registered organ and tissue donor. All citizens under 18 years of age may
6 "opt-out" with permission from a legal guardian.

7 B. Upon death of an organ donor, the proper procedure for organ or tissue
8 procurement will be carried out unless they have chosen to "opt-out".

9 **SECTION 2.** A. An "opt-out system" is defined as a law that requires all citizens to be
10 automatically registered as organ and tissue donors with the option to
11 refrain from such procedure through proper legal channels.

12 B. "Non living organ donor" refers to a person who is deceased and whose
13 organs and/or tissue can donated to a living patient that requires a transplant of an organ
14 or tissue. The harvest and donation of organs shall occur after death .

15 C. Organs that can be donated include heart, liver, kidneys, lungs, pancreas
16 and small intestines. Tissues include corneas, skin, veins, heart valves, tendons, ligaments
17 and bones.

18 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Health and Human Services will oversee the
19 implementation of this legislation.

20 A. The Health Resources and Services Administration shall oversee the mandatory
21 registration of organ donors in each state as well as withdrawal of registration.

22 **SECTION 4.** This law shall go into effect 90 days after this bill is passed.

23 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
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Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Hannah Heeger
Millennium High School*

A BILL TO PAY FOR A WALL AT AMERICA'S SOUTHERN BORDER

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Article I: (A) A tax of 8% on the total value of each transaction shall be imposed upon all transfers of United States of America dollars from the United States of America or any citizen or institution within it to any citizen of or corporation based in the United Mexican States ("Mexico").

(B) A fee of \$20 shall be imposed upon each person entering the United States of America from the United Mexican States each time any such person shall cross the border, such fee to be collected at all ports of entry before such person shall be permitted to enter the United States of America.

(C) Such fees and taxes as are collected under Article I sections A and B of this legislation shall be held by the Secretary of the Treasury to be dispersed only for purposes of constructing and/or maintaining man-made physical barriers along the border of the United States of America and the United Mexican States.

Article II: Agencies, officers, employees and contractors of the United States of America shall be exempt from the above taxes and fees for all transactions or border crossings undertaken in the performance of their duties or in fulfillment of their contracts with the United States of America.

Article III: This legislation shall take effect immediately upon enactment.

Article IV: The Secretary of the Treasury and the Secretary of Homeland Security shall be responsible for implementation of this legislation.

Article V: All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void

*Respectfully submitted,
Msgr. Farrell High School*

A Bill to Repeal the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- SECTION 1.** The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act shall be repealed, and all institutions created by it shall be dissolved.
- A.** All regulation created in reference to The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act shall be hereby repealed, and any institutions created by such regulation shall also be dissolved.
- B.** All institutions whose powers were expanded by The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act or any regulation related to it shall have such powers revoked.
- SECTION 2.** A regulation created in reference to The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act is any piece of legislation whose meaning is changed by this bill.
- SECTION 3.** The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and The Federal Reserve shall be tasked with implementing this bill.
- A.** The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation shall be charged with implementing this bill as it pertains to Commercial Banks.
- B.** The Federal Reserve shall be charged with implementing this bill as it pertains to all other financial institutions.
- SECTION 4.** This bill shall go into effect on January 1, 2022, and all laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Lucas Pombo.

A Bill to End the Oppression of the Filipino People

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. A. The United States shall impose targeted sanctions on the Philippines to combat the extrajudicial killings encouraged by President Rodrigo Duterte.
B. Sanctions will be lifted after sufficient reforms are made to the War on Drugs carried out by his administration.

SECTION 2. A. "Targeted sanctions" refers to sanctions on the Philippines' government, police forces, and all other groups implicated in the War on Drugs.
B. "Sufficient reforms" require the Filipino government to end their sponsorship of extrajudicial killings and to make significant efforts to reduce the violence in their War on Drugs.

SECTION 3. A. The US Department of Treasury is responsible for maintaining the sanctions.
B. The US Department of State will oversee the condition in the Philippines and assess whether sufficient reforms have been made.

SECTION 4. This legislation will take effect FY2020.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Carter Ley of Stuyvesant HS.

A Bill to Increase the Usage of Renewable Energy in the United States

Be it enacted by the Congress here assembled that:

Section 1: Corporations will be granted incremental tax breaks based on renewable energy usage and investment, which will encourage corporations to invest in the development of and usage of renewable energy sources, which is crucial to the preservation of a safe environment for our posterity. Corporations will be given a reduction on the current corporate tax rate during the fiscal year in question, based on their investments in and usage of renewable energy from the prior fiscal year. If the United States does not promptly embrace renewable energy and continues to rely on fossil fuels as energy sources, our environment will be irreparably damaged.

Section 2:

- a. Usage shall be defined as the amount of energy that the corporation's buildings and equipment use in kWh.
- b. Assets shall be defined as all financial investments and holdings a corporation possesses. Based on the percentage of assets a corporation holds that are based in companies in which greater than 75% of their budget is devoted to the research of and/or development of renewable energy, corporations will be eligible for reductions in their corporate tax rate for the current fiscal year.
- c. Renewable energy shall be defined as energy produced from sunlight, wind, rain, tides, waves, and geothermal heat.

Section 3: The Internal Revenue Service shall implement the tax reductions described to each eligible corporation in a given fiscal year.

The tax reductions will be as follows, and reductions regarding usage and assets may be combined:

Usage:	Reduction
- 0-9%	- no tax rate reduction
- 10-19%	- 0.375%
- 20-29%	- 0.750%
- 30-39%	- 1.125%
- 40-49%	- 1.500%
- 50-59%	- 1.875%
- 60-69%	- 2.250%
- 70-79%	- 2.625%
- 80-100%	- 3.000%

Assets:	Reduction
- 0-9%	- no tax rate reduction
- 10-19%	- 0.125%
- 20-29%	- 0.250%
- 30-39%	- 0.375%
- 40-49%	- 0.500%
- 50-59%	- 0.625%
- 60-69%	- 0.750%
- 70-79%	- 0.875%
- 80-100%	- 1.000%

Section 4: This bill shall be implemented on January 1, 2019.

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

*Respectfully Submitted,
Senator Daniel Igielski
Pleasantville High School*

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A Bill to Abolish Mandatory Minimum Sentencing

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- SECTION 1.** All federal mandatory minimum sentencing laws shall hereby be repealed.
- SECTION 2.** A mandatory minimum sentencing law shall be defined as a law that establishes a minimum amount of years of jail sentencing for a specific crime, regardless of any mitigating factors in the particular case.
- SECTION 3.** All funding from the United States government to any state for any jail, jail related or penal programs shall be terminated unless such state eliminates all laws that impose minimum mandatory minimum sentences for any offense, within one year of enactment of this bill. Any state that fails to meet the requirements of the preceding sentence by the required date shall immediately cease to receive any such funding, but upon implementation or laws sufficient to satisfy such requirements, such state may reapply to receive such funding from the US Government.
- SECTION 4.** This bill shall go into effect 180 days after passage, and all laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Olivia Pasquerella.

The Promote Endurance and Colombian Equality (P.E.A.C.E.) Act

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The US Federal Government shall disburse \$20 million to the agriculture
3 sector in Colombia.

4 A. All funding shall be disbursed to Colombian citizens via microloans
5 through non-governmental organizations (NGOs).

6 **SECTION 2.** Microloans are a small sum of money lent at low or no interest.

7 **SECTION 3.** USAID will be tasked in distributing the microloans to the NGOs.

8 A. The US Ambassador to Colombia and USAID shall submit independent
9 quarterly reports on the impact the microloans have on violence in
10 the country.

11 B. The Inter-American Development Bank shall be tasked with awarding
12 contracts to the specific NGOs specified in Section 1.

13 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall take effect on the first day of the next fiscal year and all
14 laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Christian Bae, Stuyvesant High School.

The Comprehensive Immigration Reform Act of 2017

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Congress shall set aside an additional \$5 billion per year for a period of 10
3 years with which to increase the budgets of the departments of
4 Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and U.S. Customs and
5 Border Patrol (CBP), in order to add manpower and improve enforcement
6 of existing immigration law, and to better patrol the border.

7 **A.** Congress shall specifically deny funds for a “wall” along the border
8 with Mexico, excepting only intermittent fences or barriers where the
9 Department of Homeland Security (DHS) deems prudent.

10 **SECTION 2.** The DHS shall expand by 25% the maximum number of slots for both
11 temporary work visas, and lawful permanent residency (or green cards)
12 per year.

13 **SECTION 3.** Persons currently residing illegally in the U.S. who qualified for
14 consideration under Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA)
15 shall, additionally, be eligible to receive lawful permanent residency.

16 **SECTION 4.** The legislation shall take effect October 1, 2019.

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

Submitted for Congressional debate by Xavier High School.