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**A BILL TO IMPLEMENT A TAX ON HIGH FREQUENCY TRADING TO
CREATE A MORE FAIR FINANCIAL SYSTEM**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **Section 1.** A tax shall be put in place on all financial transactions. The tax rate shall be set
3 relative to the value of the transaction, and be equal to:

I. 0.05 percent for stocks;

II. 0.01 percent for bonds;

III. 0.005 percent for derivatives;

4 **Section 2.** The Securities and Exchange Commission shall oversee the enforcement and
5 funding of this bill;

6 **Section 3.** This legislation will take effect January 1st, 2018;

7 **Section 4.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Stuyvesant High School.

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Abolish the Electoral College

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

SECTION 1: The Constitution of the United States is hereby amended as follows:
The Electoral College will no longer be in effect and the Presidential candidate will no longer be elected by the Electoral college, but by the popular vote of the registered voters of America.

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

SECTION 3: This law will take effect in the election 2020.

SECTION 4: All laws in conflict with this piece of legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced by Sacred Heart Greenwich

A BILL TO BAN THE USE OF BUMP FIRE STOCKS

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The manufacture, sale, and possession of bump fire stocks is hereby
3 prohibited by federal law.

4 **SECTION 2.** "Bump fire stock" shall refer to any accessory for a firearm that has the
5 effect of converting a semi-automatic weapon to one capable of fully-
6 automatic fire by utilizing the force from a gun's recoil to depress the
7 trigger in rapid succession.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives shall oversee
9 this legislation.

10 A. Bump fire stocks -- and any firearms equipped with them -- shall be
11 treated by law as analogous to automatic machine guns, pursuant to the
12 National Firearms Act of 1934 and the Firearm Owners' Protection Act
13 of 1986, and subject to the restrictions and penalties of same.

14 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall take effect within 30 days of passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Xavier High School

A Bill to Impose Sanctions on Burma to End Burmese Persecution of the Rohingya Muslims

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall impose economic sanctions on the Burmese
2 government to end the unjust persecution of Rohingya Muslims in Burma.

3 **SECTION 2.** "Economic Sanctions" shall be defined as the withdrawal of aid and the
4 termination of trade and any financial relations for foreign interests and security
5 purposes.

6 **SECTION 3.** The State Department shall oversee the implementation of this legislation.

7 A. The United States Ambassador to Burma shall submit quarterly reports
8 to the State Department regarding the status of the Rohingya Muslims
9 in Burma.

10 B. When provided with clear and conclusive evidence that such
11 persecution has ended, the State Department shall remove all
12 sanctions imposed by this legislation from Burma.

13 **SECTION 4.** This bill will be effective immediately after passage.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Aftab Kazi of the Bronx High School of Science

A Bill to Lower the Annual Contribution Cap on 401(k) Plans

BE IT ENACTED BY A STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The United States federal government will lower the maximum annual contribution to 401(k) plans from the current \$18,000 to \$2,400.

SECTION 2. A. Contributions in excess of \$2,400 in a year made before the end of the fiscal year 2017 will remain tax-qualified up to the former \$18,000 cap.

B. Beginning in fiscal year 2018, all contributions in excess of \$2,400 will lose any applicable tax benefits

C. The specific tax benefits will not be affected; only the contribution cap will change.

SECTION 3. The implementation of this bill will be carried out by the Internal Revenue Service.

SECTION 4. This bill shall take effect at the beginning of the fiscal year 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Aidan O'Gara
Regis High School*

The Stabilize the Arabian Peninsula Act of 2017

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. A. The United States hereby suspends all approved and pending arms sales and military aid to Saudi Arabia.

SECTION 2.

A. The Department of Defense shall define approved and pending arms sales and military aid to Saudi Arabia.

SECTION 3. The Department of State shall prepare quarterly updates for this Congress on the military activities and political influence of Saudi Arabia in Lebanon, Qatar, Yemen, and throughout the region. The suspension of arms sales and military aid shall be brought to a reauthorization vote in 12 months or sooner if warranted by the quarterly Department of State report.

SECTION 4. This legislation shall take effect 30 days after passage.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by

Juliet Daniel

The Bronx High School of Science.

A Resolution to Make the Old City of Jerusalem an International Territory
While Acknowledging West Jerusalem as the Capital of Israel
and East Jerusalem as the Capital of a Palestinian State

Whereas, All three Abrahamic religions claim holy sites within the walls of Jerusalem's Old City; and

Whereas, Israel claims Jerusalem as its capital; and

Whereas, The Balfour Declaration was not fully implemented, leaving Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza as citizens of no nation at present with no sovereign powers of self-determination: now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By this Congress that: the Old City of Jerusalem be made an international territory administered by the United Nations, with security and law enforcement provided by a U.N. Peacekeeping Force; and be it

Further Resolved, That West Jerusalem be recognized as the capital of Israel and East Jerusalem the capital of a sovereign Palestinian state.

Introduced by Pleasantville High School

A BILL TO ABOLISH THE FEDERAL MINIMUM WAGE

- 1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2 Article I: The federal minimum wage statute of the Fair Labor Standards Act of
3 1938 as amended, 29 USC §206, is hereby revoked.
4 Article II: This legislation shall not affect any current agreements with employees of
5 the United States government nor with any employees of contractors of
6 the United States government.
7 Article III: This legislation shall take effect on the first day of Fiscal Year 2019.
8 Article IV: The Departments of Labor and of the Treasury shall be responsible for
9 implementation of this legislation.
10 Article V: All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby to be declared null and
11 void.

Respectfully submitted,

Msgr. Farrell High School

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A Bill to Limit the Use of Solitary Confinement

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Federal prisons shall adopt a new set of criteria to determine
3 whether an inmate may be sent to solitary confinement.

4 A. This criteria requires evidence of violence within the
5 prison and/or its facilities.

6 **SECTION 2.** Upon entering confinement, prisoners shall be informed of the
7 duration of their punishment.

8 A. Mentally ill prisoners shall be granted shorter periods of time
9 spent in isolation.

10 **SECTION 3.** The Federal Bureau of Prisons shall oversee the implementation
11 of this law.

12 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall take effect one-hundred days after its enactment.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Sacred Heart Greenwich

A Bill to Outfit Police Officers with Body-Cameras

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

2 SECTION 1. The federal government shall incentivize law enforcement agencies to outfit
3 their officers with body-camera technology.

4 SECTION 2. "Law enforcement agencies" (LEOs) shall be defined as all state & local
5 agencies with police power.

6 SECTION 3. The President Shall appoint, with the consent of the Senate, five members
7 to a Commission on Law Enforcement Modernization (CLEM).

8 A. CLEM shall oversee the disbursement of funds to state and local law
9 enforcement organizations for the purchase and installation of body
10 cameras for their officers. The Commission shall be funded at a rate of
11 \$200 million per year over the next 10 years, with any unused money
12 rolling over into the next year.

13 B. The funds shall be used to match spending by LEOs on body cameras
14 and any costs associated with their acquisition.

15 C. Beginning 5 years after the enactment of this bill, any LEO that is
16 deemed by CLEM not to be in the process of outfitting eligible officers
17 with body cameras shall be subject to a reduction in the total value of
18 any extant or scheduled federal subsidies by up to 50%. This includes,
19 but is not limited to, the possible repossession of any equipment that
20 has been bestowed by the federal government to said LEOs.

21 SECTION 4. This legislation shall go into effect on January 1, 2019.

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

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Xavier High School

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Introduced for Congressional Debate by

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The Bronx High School of Science.

A Bill to Place Sanctions on Libya

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** The United States will halt all trading and aid to Libya until they cease their
2 involvement in human trafficking.

3 **SECTION 2.** The Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor will launch full
4 investigation into Libya once they cease involvement in human trafficking. Once
5 determined that Libya has ceased all involvement, trade and aid will be resumed.

6 **SECTION 3.** The implementation of this bill will be overseen by the Department of
7 State.

8 **SECTION 4.** This bill will be immediately implemented.

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

10 *Introduced for Congressional Debate by Pleasantville High School*

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