

2021 MIFA State Debate Tournament Congressional Debate

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The order of remaining legislation for preliminary sessions will be announced at the General Meeting.

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A Bill to Require High School Students to take at least 4 years of the Same Foreign Language

1. Be it enacted by the Congress here assembled that:
2. SECTION 1. Throughout their high school career, students are required to take four
3. years of the same foreign language.
4. SECTION 2. The foreign language will be of the student's choice; however, it has to be
5. spoken as an official language by, at least, one existing country while the person is
6. learning the language.
7. SECTION 3: Those who have started learning a foreign language in middle school shall
8. acknowledge that they will be required to complete the maximum number of years
9. offered by their current institution of education; therefore a student whose high school offers five
10. years of a certain language will be required to take the additional years even if they have
11. taken one, two, or three years of that language throughout their middle school career.
12. SECTION 4. Students who refuse to take four years of the same language (other than
13. English) will suffer academic penalties. Every student will have to declare their chosen
14. language by the middle of their last middle school year. Those who leave their determined level at
15. a certain year will be asked to take remedial classes with other students who do not show interest
16. in completing the regular four-year compulsory course. It should be noted that the student who
17. does not take a foreign language class during one or more of their academic years will not receive
18. a required credit to graduate; therefore, they will need to take summer courses in order to fulfill
19. this graduation requirement.
20. SECTION 5. The U.S. Department of Education will oversee the distribution of funds and
21. enforcement of this legislation.
22. SECTION 6. This legislation shall go into effect September 1st, 2023.
23. SECTION 7. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted by the Senators from Rochester Adams HS

Save the People Act of 2021

Be it enacted by the student congress here assembled that:

1. Section I:
2. Series of gun-safety training courses which correlate to the weapon of want are required for
3. the fulfillment of purchase of said firearm(s). All private firearm vendors are mandated to utilize
4. criminal background checks unto every customer attempting to fulfill purchase, within or
5. outside gun shows.
6. Section II:
7. The Save the People Act of 2021 would assert the already active criminal background check
8. Requirements on federally licensed dealers to private dealers, seen within gun shows, and
9. externally. Before the purchase of a firearm is completed, the consumer must complete
10. prerequisite training courses relating to usage of firearm accordingly i.e. basic shotgun class,
11. basic handgun class, etc.
12. Section III:
13. If private vendors do not abide by the said mandate stated above, fines double the price of
14. which the weapon was sold will be placed against said vendor, multiple violations will lead to
15. imprisonment by up to 10 years. Funding and enforcement for this bill will be upheld by the
16. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosive (ATF).
17. Section IV:
18. All laws and conflicts with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
19. Section V: This bill shall take effect upon passage and be subject to re-approval within the year
20. 2023

Respectfully Submitted,
Sean Kelly, Adlai E Stevenson High School

A Bill to Ban the Use of Tobacco

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2. SECTION 1. All tobacco products in the United States are hereby banned from
3. possession and consumption.
4. SECTION 2. Tobacco products can be defined as any product meant for consumption
5. derived from a plant with leaves that have high levels of the chemical
6. nicotine; these products include, but are not limited to, cigarettes, cigars,
7. hookah, and chewing tobacco.
8. SECTION 3. The Department of Health and Human Services will oversee this legislation.
9. A. Those caught possessing or using tobacco will be reprimanded by law,
10. in accordance with current criminal drug law.
11. SECTION 4. This legislation will take effect on December 31, 2021. All laws in conflict
12. with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Senator Akroush of the Utica Academy for International Studies.

A Bill to Require Police Officers to Wear Body Cameras

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2. SECTION 1. United States police officers are hereby required to wear and maintain a
3. body camera while on duty.
4. SECTION 2. A body camera is defined as a small video camera worn on the body.
5. Maintenance refers to the requirement to keep a body camera on and
6. functioning, and adequately replaced when deemed unable to function.
7. SECTION 3. \$450 million will be earmarked to supply body cameras to local police
8. departments.
9. A. Police departments that repeatedly refuse to supply and operate body
10. cameras for their officers shall have their overall budget cut by 5%.
11. Individual officers who do not comply with this legislation will be
12. subject to their local department's authority.
13. SECTION 4. This legislation will take effect on March 31, 2022. All laws in conflict with
14. this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Utica Academy for International Studies.

A Bill to Decriminalize Possessing Small Amounts of Methamphetamine

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2. SECTION 1. Possession of small amounts of methamphetamine shall not be
3. criminalized.
4. SECTION 2. A small amount of methamphetamine is defined as 0.1 grams or less.
5. Decriminalization is defined as the removal of the criminal classification of
6. possessing methamphetamine.
7. SECTION 3. The Drug Enforcement Agency and the Office of National Drug Control
8. Policy will oversee implementation of this legislation.
9. A. Persons apprehended at least three (3) times for possession of
10. methamphetamine shall be subject to an addiction assessment at an
11. approved health center. Said persons shall not be persecuted in any
12. circumstance for possession of methamphetamine.
13. SECTION 4. This legislation will take effect on January 20, 2022. All laws in conflict with
14. this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Utica Academy for International Studies.

A Bill to Allow All Future Death Row Inmates to Choose How They Die

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 SECTION 1. Anyone who is placed on death row has the option to choose the
2 manner of their execution.
- 3 SECTION 2. "Placed on death row" will be defined as anyone who is sentenced to
4 death after enacting this legislation. "Option to choose the manner"
5 will be defined as a choice given to death row inmates regarding
6 execution of their sentence. This will be monitored and options will
7 be set by the Federal Bureau of Prisons (BOP). The method of death
8 must allow for the inmate to be pronounced dead in under 24 hours
9 and can harm no one other than the inmate themselves.
- 10 SECTION 3. The BOP will oversee the enforcement of this legislation. No
11 additional funding is required for this bill.
- 12 SECTION 4. This bill will be implemented by January 1st 2023.
- 13 SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and
void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Senator Chismar and Senator Clevenger
of Wayland Union High School*

A Bill to Chemically Castrate Sex Offenders

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 SECTION 1. Any future registered sex offender of tier three and above (tier
2 three+) will be chemically castrated upon the passage of this bill.
- 3 SECTION 2. Sex offender will be defined as those who are convicted of a sex
4 crime of tier three+. Which is considered to be the most severe
5 offense. These include but are not limited to: rape, child kidnapping
6 and molestation, as well as other violent sex crimes. Chemically
7 castrated will be defined as using substances such as, or similar to,
8 leuprolide acetate for the purpose of lowering the sex drive or sexual
9 fantasies of the convicted. Those convicted of said crimes prior to
10 the passage of this legislation will not be subjected to such.
- 11 SECTION 3. The Department of Justice will oversee the enforcement of this
12 legislation.
- 13 SECTION 4. This Legislation will be implemented January 1st, 2023.
- 14 SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and
void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Wayland Union High School

Bill to Ban School Uniforms

1. Be it enacted by this Student Congress here assembled:
2. Section I: Policies in every educational institution in the United States of America pertaining
3. to the implementation of School Uniforms in America be abolished.
4. Section II: All educational institutions in America including private, charter, and public
5. schools as well as colleges will be required to end any school policies requiring School
6. Uniforms to be worn by students. School Uniforms should be defined as any distinctive,
7. similar attire worn by students of the same educational institution. Any companies or
8. industries that distribute School Uniforms in the United States of America shall be fully
9. terminated within a month of the passing of this bill. Educational institutions that require
10. uniforms will have the choice to create a new Student Dress Code after the implementation
11. of this bill.
12. Section III: The United States Department of Education and Department of Justice will be
13. executing this bill along with any subsequent responsibilities it may require. Any funding
14. necessary will be provided by the aforementioned departments. Any educational institution
15. failing to comply with this law will be fined 5,000 dollars per week of continuing School
16. Uniform policies. Any company or industry distributing school uniforms that fails to comply
17. with this law shall be fined 5,000 dollars per day of operation up till 30 days where they will
18. be arrested.
19. Section IV: All other laws conflicting with or pertaining to this law are now null and void.
20. Section V: This legislation will be implemented on June 20, 2022.

Respectfully Submitted,
Navya Kumar
Novi High School

A Bill to Tax Corporations Contributing to Carbon Emissions

Be it enacted by the Congress here assembled that:

1. Section 1: All corporations that contribute to carbon emissions will be required to pay a
2. respective carbon tax of \$100 per metric ton of carbon dioxide emitted by all
3. corporations that conduct business and/or reside within the United States borders.
4. Section 2: To reduce the United States carbon emissions by 30% by the year 2030, this
5. tax aims to urge corporations contributing to climate change to reduce their total
6. carbon emissions.
7. Section 3: This bill will be enforced by the Environmental Protection Agency in
8. conjunction with the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement where they will
9. determine and oversee which and how much each company will pay. The money
10. collected from this tax will be used to fund the Environmental Protection Agency for
11. climate change awareness campaigns and to financially support carbon capture
12. organizations.
13. Section 4: Any corporations found not paying the tax will be fined 30% of their overall
14. revenue for that given year.
15. Section 5: This legislature shall take effect immediately upon passage.
16. Section 6: All laws in conflict with this legislature are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted for Congressional Debate by Abbey Tan, Henry Ford II High School

A Bill to Create a State-sponsored Visa Program

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 SECTION 1 This Act modifies current immigration law to authorize each State and the District
2 of Columbia to grant up to 5,000 work visas (Z Visas) annually to qualified
3 nonimmigrants and their families. Visas may be issued for a term up to three
4 years. An additional allotment of Z Visas shall be allotted based proportionately
5 on population. The nationwide total shall be 500,000. Z

6 SECTION 2 Z Visas shall be issued at the discretion of the State. No State shall be obligated to
7 sponsor any nonimmigrant. Each State may determine its own categories for Z
8 Visa holders (e.g agricultural, technical, family unification or other categories).

9 a. Visas may not be employer-specific.

10 b. Those holding these visas shall live and work in the State that sponsors
11 them.

12 c. Undocumented workers already living in the State shall also be eligible.

13 SECTION 3 States may create regional compacts to allow visa holders to work across certain
14 State lines.

15 SECTION 4 These visas shall be administered through the Department of Homeland Security.

16 SECTION 5 States shall be responsible for administrative fees as set by the Secretary of
17 Homeland Security in implementing this program.

18 SECTION 6 This bill shall take place at the start of the 2023 fiscal year,.

Respectfully Submitted,
Aaron Chen
Grand Rapids City High School

A Bill to End Daylight Savings Time

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. SECTION 1. Daylight Savings Time will be eliminated from the American Calendar. All
2. states will shift to Standard Time.
3. SECTION 2. Standard Time is defined as the local time in a country or region.
4. SECTION 3. The Department of Energy and the Department of Transportation will
5. enforce this law.
6. SECTION 4. This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2023.
7. SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Catherine Underhill.

A Bill to Bring Back Paid Family Leave

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 SECTION 1. Provide new parents with paid days off to take care of newborns or
2 newly adopted children. Parental involvement helps in child
3 development and improves children's mental health and bonding.
- 4 SECTION 2. This bill offers 10 weeks of partial wage substitute benefits to take
5 time without work for parents to care for a baby or an unwell infant.
- 6 SECTION 3. The U.S. Department of Labor administrators and State Disability
7 Insurance are supporters of a paid family leave. The weekly gain
8 quantity will be 60 to 70 percent of wages earned five to eighteen
9 months before that parents can claim for their family leave.
- 10 A. The day by day gain amount is calculated through dividing the
11 weekly advantage quantity by seven. The maximum advantage
12 amount is calculated by multiplying the weekly benefit quantity by
13 eight or adding the entire wages subject to tax paid inside the
14 base period.
- 15 SECTION 4. This legislation will take effect on January 1st 2022.
All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Patrick Magla.

A Bill to Phase Out Government Subsidies and Financial Incentives to Meat and Dairy Farmers

1. Be it enacted by the Congress here assembled that:
2. Section 1: The United States Congress shall hereby cease all subsidies
3. and financial
4. incentives to all meat and dairy manufacturers and their associated
5. organizations (including but not limited to public relations campaigns and
6. advertising). All funding currently allocated by Congress to meat and dairy
7. industries shall be redirected to subsidize fruit and vegetable agriculture
8. and public health education initiatives.
9. Section 2: Subsidies shall be defined as any direct or indirect payment on
10. behalf of the government to private individuals or corporations. Meat refers
11. to food that is composed of the flesh of an animal (including poultry and
12. fish).
13. Section 3: The implementation of this bill shall be overseen by the United
14. States Department of Agriculture and the United States Food and Drug
15. Administration.
16. Section 4: Upon passage of this bill Congress shall phase out 10% or
17. more per year of funding for present subsidy levels for meat and dairy
18. industries and redirect those funds to fruit and vegetable agriculture and
19. public health education initiatives. All federal subsidies for meat and dairy
20. industries shall end no later than 10 years following the passage of this
21. bill.
22. Section 5: All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
23. and void.

Respectfully Submitted for Congressional debate by Sarah Yousif

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