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Docket A: Virginia Resolution 1377

Tobacco and Nicotine Regulation

Be it resolved,

Line 00: Be it resolved

Line 01:

Line 02: that whereas all peoples will be educated on the dangers or perils of tobacco and nicotine;

Line 03:

Line 04: WHEREAS people will be educated on how they can permanently damage your health and life, as well as the people around you.

Line 05:

Line 06: WHEREAS people will be aware of the risks and consequences that come with tobacco and nicotine, and become less inclined to indulge them.

Line 07:

Line 08: THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by this student congress that all peoples shall be informed of the negative impact tobacco and nicotine impose on a person's life, in the hopes that they will be less likely to indulge in it.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Harini Kumar

Stone Bridge High School

on Thu Feb 22 2024 16:47:13 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Docket A: Domestic Bill 1389

A Bill to Establish a Mandatory Retirement Age for Supreme Court Justices

Be it enacted,

Line 01: Jonathan Spitler

Line 02: Harrisonburg High School

Line 03: A Bill to Establish a Mandatory Retirement Age for Supreme Court Justices

Line 04: Domestic

Line 05: BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Line 06: Section 1. Supreme Court Justices must be subject to retirement at the age of 70.

Line 07: Section 2. Retirement age is the age the Justice must step down from active

Line 08: service.

Line 09: Section 3. This Bill will be enforced by Congress.

Line 10: SECTION 4. This Bill will be effective immediately after the passage.

Line 11: Section 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Senator Jonathan Spitler

Harrisonburg High School

on Sat Feb 24 2024 23:00:43 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Docket A: International Bill 9020

Russian Accountability Bill

Be it enacted,

Line 01: Jack Powers

Line 02: Harrisonburg High School

Line 03: A Bill to Establish Sanctions on American Exports to Russia

Line 04: International

Line 05: BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Line 06: Section 1. All American exports to Russia shall be subject to sanctions until

Line 07: persons identified as wrongfully detained in Russia by the U.S. Secretary of State,

Line 08: be released into U.S. custody.

Line 09: Section 2. The term wrongful detention is defined as a detention consistent with the

Line 10: Robert Levinson Hostage Recovery and Hostage-taking Accountability Act.

Line 11: Section 3. The Department of Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control and The

Line 12: Department of State shall collaborate to enforce and oversee this bill.

Line 13: Section 4. The legislation and the powers reserved in this bill shall take effect on

Line 14: July 1, 2024.

Line 15: Section 5. All laws in conflict with this bill are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Senator Jack Powers

Harrisonburg High School

on Sat Feb 24 2024 23:44:55 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Docket A: Economic Bill 1221

A Bill to Make Housing More Affordable

Be it enacted,

Line 01: Janelly Aguilar Nunez

Line 02: Harrisonburg High School

Line 03: A Bill to Make Housing More Affordable

Line 04: Economic

Line 05: BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Line 06: Section 1. Lower the pricing of the average housing by 20%, and should not be

Line 07: changed under any circumstances based on supply and demand.

Line 08: Section 2. Affordable housing are residential units with costs that do not exceed

Line 09: 30% of median household income.

Line 10: Section 3. The Department of Housing and the Federal Trade Commission will

Line 11: oversee this bill.

Line 12: SECTION 4. This Bill will be effective January 1st, 2025.

Line 13: Section 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Senator Janelly Aguilar Nunez

Harrisonburg High School

on Sun Feb 25 2024 14:43:39 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Docket A: Virginia Bill 4944

Ages 18 and up should legally be allowed to produce tobacco.

Be it enacted,
VHSL Student Congress

Docket: Docket A Legislation: Bill Area: Virginia Number: 4944
Leg_Title: Ages 18 and up should legally be allowed to produce tobacco.

Line00: Be it enacted
Line01:
Line02: Article I: Virginia State law shall allow the age
Line03: of buying tobacco to decrease from 21
Line04: years to 18 years of age in order to
Line05: increase the economic welfare of
Line06: Virginia farmers.
Line07:
Line08: Article II: Increasing the economic welfare
Line09: of farmers will be achieved through the increase
Line10: of consumers. Furthermore, this will decrease the amount
Line11: of substance abuse in Virginia as consumers below the age of
Line12: 21 will feel more comfortable seeking help.
Line13:
Line14: Article III: This plan shall be implemented immediately upon
Line15: its passage.
Line16:
Line17: Article IV: The Department of Health as well as the
Line18: Department of Agricultural shall both
Line19: oversee this legislation.
Line20:
Line21: Article V: All laws and policies in conflict with new law
Line22: are hereby deemed null and void.
Line23:
Line24:

SubmitTitle: Senator Submitted_By: *** School: ***
Date: 18 Feb 2024
Time: 08:49:13

Respectfully Submitted By:
Representative Harika Gunda
Lightridge Highschool
on Mon Feb 26 2024 17:55:06 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Docket A: International Bill 1185

A bill to purpose sanctions on the gas sector of Russia

Be it enacted,

Docket: Docket A Legislation: Bill Area: international

Number: 1185

Leg_Title: A Bill To Purpose Sanctions On The Gas Sector of Russia

Line00: Be it enacted

Line01:

Line02: Article I: The United States Federal government shall place

Line03: sanctions on the gas sector of Russia

Line04: to incentivize cessation of human

Line05: rights violations

Line06:

Line07: Article II: Due to war crimes committed by Russia in Ukraine and human

Line08: rights violations against domestic Russian dissidents, economic

Line09: sanctions shall be placed on the gas sector of Russia, a major source

Line10: of government revenue.

Line11:

Line13: Article III: This plan shall be implemented immediately upon

Line14: its passage.

Line15:

Line16: Article IV: The Department of the Commerce and the

Line17: Office of Foreign Asset Control shall both

Line18: oversee this program and have the right to end it without

Line19: the approval of the other party.

Line20:

Line21: Article V: All laws and policies in conflict with new law

Line22: are hereby deemed null and void.

SubmitTitle: Representative

Submitted_By: Lauriana Fonseca

School: Lightridge High School

Date: 26 Feb 2024

Time: 05:04:13

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Lauriana Fonseca

Lightridge High School

on Mon Feb 26 2024 19:31:40 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Docket A: Economic Bill 1765

Affordable Housing

Be it enacted,

Line00: Be it enacted

Line01:

Line02: Article I: The US government shall establish incentives for developers

Line03: to include affordable housing in their projects and provide

Line04: funding and resources to support the construction and

Line05: maintenance of affordable housing units

Line06:

Line07:

Line08: Article II: These incentive will create more job opportunities and

Line09: make more money for projects while fitting in affordable housing

Line10:

Line11:

Line12: Article III: This policy will be enacted by 5/17/25 this will create

Line13: more time for everything to settle and ease into place

Line14:

Line15:

Line16: Article IV: The Department of Housing and Urban

Line17: Development (HUD) will be overseeing this bill and conduct regular

Line18: inspections

Line19:

Line20:

Line21: Article V: All laws and policies in conflict with new law

Line22: are hereby deemed null and void.

Line23:

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Ethan Cherayil

Lightridge High School

on Wed Feb 28 2024 11:09:39 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Docket A: Economic Bill 1171

Defer paying taxes towards treasury bonds on the interest income

Be it enacted,

Docket: Docket A

Legislation: Bill

Area: Economic

Number: 1171

Leg_Title: Defer paying taxes towards treasury bonds on the interest income

Line00: Be it enacted

Line01:

Line02: Article I: The United States Federal government shall defer

Line03: paying taxes towards treasury bonds

Line04: on the interest income differing

Line05: for every person while inflation

Line06: decreases.

Line07:

Line08: Article II: The interest is taxed in the year the bond

Line09: is redeemed or reaches maturity, whichever comes first.

Line10: Investors and others can defer paying taxes on the

Line11: interest until the bond is redeemed or matures,

Line12: or they can pay taxes annually on the

Line13: interest rate.

Line14:

Line14: Article III: This plan shall be implemented immediately upon

Line15: its passage

Line16:

Line17: Article IV: The Department of the Treasury and the

Line18: Congressional Ways and Means committee shall both

Line19: oversee this program and have the right to end it without

Line20: the approval of the other party at any time after the eight

Line21: month period.

Line22:

Line23: Article V: All laws and policies in conflict with new law

Line24: are hereby deemed null and void.

SubmitTitle: Legislator Submitted_By: Jacqueline Kim School: Lightridge High School

Date: 26 February 2024

Time: 08:49:13

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Jacqueline Kim

Lightridge High School

on Wed Feb 28 2024 13:46:04 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Docket A: Virginia Bill 1293

A Bill To Legally Allow Farmers To Join Unions

Be it enacted,

Docket: Docket A

Legislation: Bill

Area: Virginia

Number: 1293

Leg_Title: A Bill To Legally Allow Farmers To Join Unions

Line00: Be it enacted

Line01:

Line02: Article I: Agricultural laborers shall be allowed to unionize

Line03: in its full capacity

Line04:

Line05: Article II: Agricultural laborers can

Line06: be defined as any person who works to

Line07 maintain crops and livestock as

Line08: their main source of income or more generally those who work on a farm

Line09: The full benefits of a union include, but are not limited to the

Line10: ability to negotiate a fair salary as well as the improvement of

Line11: working conditions.

Line12:

Line13: Article III: This plan shall be implemented

Line14: April 1st, 2024

Line15:

Line16: Article IV: The Department of the Labor,

Line17: The National Labor Relations Board, as well as Farmworker Justice a

Line18: nonprofit shall oversee this program and have the right to update the

Line19: program without the approval of any other party at any time.

Line20:

Line21: Article V: All laws and policies in conflict with new law

Line22: are hereby deemed null and void.

Line23:

Line24:

SubmitTitle: Senator Submitted_By:Cherayil

School:Lightridge

Date: 27 Feb 2024

Time: 06:34:31

Respectfully Submitted By:

Senator Sarah Cherayil

Lightridge High School

on Thu Feb 29 2024 13:27:40 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Docket A: Virginia Bill 1020

A Bill to Establish More Nicotine Regulations Within Virginia Schools

Be it enacted,

Line 01: Abby Vance

Line 02: Harrisonburg High School

Line 03: A Bill to Establish More Nicotine Regulations Within Virginia Schools

Line 04: Virginia

Line 05: BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Line 06: Section 1. Smoke detectors will be implemented throughout the school and metal

Line 07: detectors will be placed at the entrances of the school.

Line 08: Section 2. Nicotine is an addictive substance that is in tobacco products like e-

Line 09: cigarettes and vapes.

Line 10: Section 3. This Bill will be enforced by the school board.

Line 11: SECTION 4. This Bill will be effective June of 2024.

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

Respectfully Submitted By:

Senator Abby Vance

Harrisonburg High School

on Thu Feb 29 2024 15:56:48 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Docket A: International Bill I919

A Bill to Sanction Russia over Ukraine

Be it enacted,

Bill #I919

A Bill to Sanction Russia Over Ukraine

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Line 01: ARTICLE I. Sanctions shall be imposed on Nations that support the Russian Military Ukrainian War efforts through heavy financing.

Line 02: ARTICLE II. "Heavy financing" shall be defined as financing that supports the Russian Military surplus of \$100 million for any one nation, for the purpose of financing the war efforts of Russia

Line 03: ARTICLE III. This legislation shall be taken into effect immediately

Line 04: ARTICLE IV. The Department of State, the Department of Treasury, and the Federal Reserve shall oversee the implementation of this legislation.

Line 05: ARTICLE V. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Senator Vivek Karkala

Independence High School

on Fri Mar 01 2024 13:22:39 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Docket A: Domestic Resolution 0570

Resolution to Increase the Draft Age Whilst Making Females Eligible for Military Drafts

Be it resolved,

Line 01: Whereas: The current age of the draft stunts future development of young
Line 02: Individuals from the threat of war
Line 03: Whereas: We are all equal yet only men are the first to be sent to die rather than
Line 04: Showing support for all
Line 05: Whereas: Causes military to be dysfunctional from increased turnover and moral
Line 06: Whereas: Enables people to mentally develop with the increased time and bring
Line 07: More knowledgeable recruitment
Line 08: Denies the pursuit of future education
Line 09: Therefor: Be it resolved by this Student Congress here assembled that we
Line 10: Should increase the age of the military draft and include all people
Line 11: Regardless of their gender for a smarter, more diverse, more equitable,
Line 12: And safer military for future generations.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Andrew Stone

Massaponax High School

on Fri Mar 01 2024 23:38:15 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Docket B: Domestic Bill Bill #D928

A Bill to Remove Lifelong Terms for Supreme Court Justices

Be it enacted,

Line 01: ARTICLE I. A bill shall be passed to remove lifelong terms for Supreme court justices

Line 02: ARTICLE II. "Lifelong terms" Terms that last throughout the full career for the Supreme Court Justices

Line 03: ARTICLE III. This legislation shall be implemented at the start of Fiscal Year 2025.

Line 04: ARTICLE IV. The United States Congress and its representatives shall oversee the enforcement of this legislation.

Line 05: ARTICLE V. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null

Respectfully Submitted By:

Senator Ryan Doraiswamy

Independence High School

on Fri Mar 01 2024 13:59:10 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Super Session: Domestic Bill 1111

VHSL Student Congress: Endangered Species

Be it enacted,

Line01:

Line02: Article I: The United States Federal government shall

Line03: invest \$50,000,000 dollars in order

Line04: to protect endangered species.

Line05:

Line06:

Line07: Article II: Protecting the land can be

Line08: defined the need to start maintaining the land.

Line09: To provide necessities to endangered species. In order to ensure

Line10: the animals will be protected and not neglected.

Line11:

Line12:

Line13:

Line14: Article III: This plan shall be implemented immediately upon

Line15: its passage and lasts for a minimum of thirty

Line16: years.

Line17: Article IV: The U.S Fish and Wildlife Service

Line18: shall oversee this program and have the right

Line19: to end it without the approval of the other party

Line20: at any time after the thirty

Line21: year period.

Line22:

Line23: Article V: All laws and policies in conflict with new law

Line24: are hereby deemed null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Dayan Okhovvatgilani

Lightrige Highschool

on Wed Feb 28 2024 11:07:43 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Super Session: Domestic Resolution 1488

The Endangered Species Act

Be it resolved,

Line 01: Be it resolved

Line 02:

Line 03: that whereas several species around the world are going extinct; and

Line 04:

Line 05: WHEREAS the current Endangered Species Act is ineffective; and

Line 06:

Line 07: WHEREAS the act itself needs to be revised, since the initial straightforward approach has not worked as anticipated.

Line 08:

Line 09: THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED this student congress calls upon the department of the interior to redraft the Endangered Species Act before its reintroduction to the Congress.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Harini Kumar

Stone Bridge High School

on Thu Feb 29 2024 17:03:14 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Super Session: Domestic Bill #D929

A Bill to Reinforce The Endangered Species Act

Be it enacted,

Line 01: ARTICLE I. The US reinforce the Endangered Species act to prevent further poaching and means to jeopardize threatened species populations

Line 02: ARTICLE II. "Reinforce" shall be defined as funding and implementations to support the Endangered Species Act

Line 03: ARTICLE III. This legislation shall be implemented at the start of Fiscal Year 2025.

Line 04: ARTICLE IV. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), U.S. Department of the Interior(UDI), and NOAA Fisheries shall oversee the implementation of this legislation.

A. All \$1.2 Billion dollars of annual funding shall solely be allocated to reinforcing the act.

Line 05: ARTICLE V. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Senator Vivek Kakarla

Independence High School

on Fri Mar 01 2024 14:03:31 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Super Session: Domestic Resolution 0580

Resolution to Remove the Endangered Species Act to Promote the Growth of Humanity

Be it resolved,

LINE 01: Whereas: It is stunting infrastructure and humanity development catering to
LINE 02: Dying species,
LINE 03: Whereas: It affects evolution from the fact that we not enabling the species to
LINE 04: Grow In there natural environment =
LINE 05: Whereas: It can affect the economy negatively from giving away land and money
LINE 06: That can be used for the people
LINE 07: Whereas: Not all animals are important for humanity's survival and ultimately
LINE 08: There preservation should not be above human life
LINE 09: Therefore: Be it resolved by this Student Congress here assembled that we
LINE 10: Should remove the The Endangered Species Act to preserve humanity
LINE 11: And enable the growth of not only humans but Animals as well.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Andrew Stone

Massaponax High School

on Fri Mar 01 2024 23:46:55 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)