

# 2023-24 VHSL STUDENT CONGRESS LEGISLATION REGION 6C

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## **Docket A: International Resolution 1562**

## A Resolution to Let Ukraine into NATO to Counter Russian Aggression

#### Be it resolved,

Line01: Line02: that whereas Ukraine has repeatedly applied to join NATO Line03: and been repeatedly denied, and; Line04: Line05: WHEREAS this denial has happened despite Ukraine saying it Line06: will not drag any country into its current war with Line07: Russia, and; Line08: Line09: WHEREAS Ukraine's lack of membership left it vulnerable to Line10: a war that has caused thousands upon thousands of deaths and threatened the safety of the entire world; Line11: Line12: Line13: THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by this student congress Line14: that Ukraine should immediately receive the assistance of Line15: NATO for joining the organization in an expedited manner.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Jacob Bowen-Glazeroff
Thomas Jefferson High School for Science & Technology
on Tue Mar 05 2024 12:34:04 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Treasury-Bond Infrastructure Plan (T.I.P.)

#### Be it enacted,

Line01: Line02: Article I: The United States Federal Government shall offer Line03: infrastructure investment bonds with return rates of 6% to Line04: encourage the development of critical infrastructure Line05: projects. Line06: Line07: Article II: An infrastructure investment bond shall be Line08: defined as a treasury bond with a maturity of at least Line09: twenty (20) years specifically meant for the development of Line10: critical infrastructure projects. Critical infrastructure Line11: shall be defined as infrastructure in water, energy, Line12: transportation, and electricity vital to the United States. Line13: Line14: Article III: This plan shall be implemented at the start of Line15: FY 2025. Line16: Line17: Article IV: The Department of the Treasury shall be tasked Line18: to oversee the implementation of this legislation. Line19: Line20: Article V: All laws and policies in conflict with new law Line21: are hereby deemed null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Representative Anirudh Chintaluri
Thomas Jefferson High School for Science & Technology
on Tue Mar 05 2024 12:37:32 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

# **Docket A: Virginia Bill 1564**

## A Bill To Remove Anti-Union Provisions

## Be it enacted,

Line01:	
Line02:	Article I: The Taft-Hartley Act of 1946 shall be repealed.
Line03:	Any state right-to-work laws will henceforth be invalid,
Line04:	and the restrictions on secondary boycotts and picketing
Line05:	shall be removed. Federal employees and their
Line06:	unions will also be permitted to strike.
Line07:	
Line08:	Article II: Some parts of the Taft-Hartley Act shall
Line09:	remain law. The revision of language in the Wagner Act that
Line10:	restored employers' rights to express anti-union sentiment
Line11:	will remain, as will the removal of the United States
Line12:	Conciliation Service from the Department of Labor.
Line13:	Additionally, the federal courts' jurisdiction to enforce
Line15:	collective bargaining agreements will remain.
Line16:	
Line17:	Article III: This legislation shall be implemented
Line18:	immediately upon its passage
Line19:	
Line20:	Article IV: The Department of Labor and the Federal
Line21:	Mediation and Conciliation Service shall be responsible for
Line22:	the implementation of this legislation.
Line23:	
Line24:	Article V: All laws and policies in conflict with new law
Line25:	are hereby deemed null and void.

## Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Soren Johnson

Thomas Jefferson High School for Science & Technology

on Tue Mar 05 2024 12:39:44 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

## **Docket A: Domestic Bill 1561**

A Bill To Extend the Judicial Code of Conduct to the United States Supreme Court

#### Be it enacted,

Line01: Line02: Article I: The Supreme Court of the United States shall be Line03: subject to the Judicial Code of Conduct that applies to all Line04: lower courts to protect the integrity and impartiality Line05: of the US Supreme Court. Line06: Line07: Article II:Supreme Court Justices will be held Line08: accountable according to violations of the Code of Line09: Conduct for United States Judges. Repeated violations Line10: of this code shall incur disciplines defined under the Judicial Conduct and Disability Act of 1980 including Line11: Line12: but not limited to public/private reprimanding, Line13: disqualification from existing cases, or referral to Line14: Congress for possible impeachment. Line15: Line16: Article III: This bill shall be implemented immediately Line17: upon its passage. Line18: Line19: Article IV:The Judicial Conference of the United States shall oversee enforcement of this bill. Line20: Line21: Line22: Article V: All laws and policies in conflict with this Line23: legislation are hereby deemed null and void.

#### Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Xavier Reyes

Thomas Jefferson High School for Science & Technology

on Tue Mar 05 2024 12:43:02 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

## **Docket A: Domestic Bill 1565**

## A Bill To End The Selective Service System

#### Be it enacted,

Line01:

Line02: Article I: The United States Federal Government shall end

Line03: the Selective Service System.

Line04:

Line05: Article II: The Selective Service System is an

Line06: independent government agency that requires men aged Line07: 18-25 to register with the government in case a future Line08: draft is needed in a national emergency requiring the

Line09: expansion of the armed forces.

Line10:

Line11: Article III: This bill shall be implemented six months

Line12: after its passage.

Line13:

Line14: Article IV: The Selective Service System shall Line15: oversee the implementation of this legislation.

Line16:

Line17: Article V: All laws and policies in conflict with new law

Line18: are hereby deemed null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Abhiraj Tiwari

Thomas Jefferson High School for Science & Technology

on Tue Mar 05 2024 12:48:36 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

## A Bill To Increase Funding for Affordable Housing Programs

#### Be it enacted,

Line01: Line02: Article I: The U.S. government shall increase funding for affordable Line03: housing programs by 15 billion dollars. Funding shall be provided Line04: by increasing the top income tax rate from 37% to 39%. Line05: Line06: Article II: Affordable housing programs shall be defined as Line07: any initiative that increases access to affordable housing for low-Line08: and moderate-income households. These programs include but are not Line09: limited to subsidized housing, rental assistance, and homeownership Line10: assistance programs. Line11: Line12: Article III: This plan shall be implemented on January 1st, Line13: 2025. Line14: Line15: Article IV: The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Line16: shall be tasked with implementation of this legislation. Line17: Line18: Article V: All laws and policies in conflict with new Line19: law are hereby deemed null and void.

## Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Summer Yoo

Thomas Jefferson High School for Science & Technology

on Tue Mar 05 2024 12:50:58 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

## A Bill to Create A Clean Energy Central Bank to Invigorate Clean Energy Investment

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Line01: Section 1. The creation of a new branch of the Federal Reserve

Line02: which would issue Treasury Bonds to private organizations

Line03: working in the research and development of clean energy, as

Line04: well as the construction of new clean energy sites.

Line05:

LineO6: Section 2. Clean energy is to be defined as solar, wind, nuclear, and

Line07: any forms of energy deemed "clean" by the Department of Energy.

Line08:

Line09: Section 3. The Clean Energy Central Bank will issue Federal

Line10: bonds to private organizations for the funding of clean energy.

Line11: Interest rates for loanable funds would be offered at a lower

Line12: rate than the official Federal Funds Rate in order to facilitate

Line13: increased investment in clean energy in the private sector

Line14:

Line15: Section 4. The Federal Reserve and the Department of Energy

Line16: will oversee the implementation of this bill.

Line17: Section 4.1. The interest rates offered by this bank will be determined

Line18: by a subcommittee of members of the Federal Open Market Committee.

Line19: Section 4.2. Representatives selected by the Department of Energy

Line 20: will facilitate transactions of Treasury Bonds to energy companies,

Line21: private organizations, and public institutions, including public

Line 22: universities, researching clean energy sources.

Line23: Section 4.3. The budget of issued bonds into the private energy sector

Line24: shall be determined by the Congress during annual budget meetings.

Line25: Section 4.4. If any organization who receives such loanable

Line26: funds and treasury bonds is found in violation of the

Line27: express purpose of this bill, said organization shall be fined the

Line28: full amount of their loans and bonds plus interest, which

Line29: will be equal to the full discount rate of the Federal Reserve as set by

Line 30: the FOMC when the loan and bonds were issued.

Line31:

Line32: Section 5. This bill will be enacted on October 1, 2024.

Line33:

Line34: Section 6. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby

Line35: declared null and void.

#### Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Colin Burdett

West Springfield High School

on Fri Mar 08 2024 09:02:02 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

## **Docket A: Virginia Bill 7500**

A Bill to Mandate Security at Vape Shops

Be it enacted,

01.Article 1. All establishments that sell nicotine/tobacco products must have an 02.officer or security personnel present in the store going forward.

03.Article 2. An officer is defined as a member of law enforcement. Security 04.personnel are defined as individuals who have been trained and licensed to 05.guard establishments such as dispensaries.

06.Article 3. The Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services will ensure that 07.all establishments that sell nicotine/tobacco products are up to this standard. 08.Article 4. This legislation will go into effect upon passage.

09.Article 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation shall be declared null 10.and void

Respectfully Submitted By:
Senator Aidan Chomicki
Lake Braddock Secondary School
on Fri Mar 08 2024 13:30:11 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

## A Bill To Fund Building Of Affordable Housing

#### Be it enacted,

- 01. Article I: \$100 billion shall be allocated towards building affordable housing.
- 02. Article II: Affordable housing is defined as homes that do not cost more
- 03. than 30% of an area's median household income. This bill will cover
- 04. all expenses necessary for the construction and development of
- 05. new affordable homes.
- 06. Article III: This legislation will go into effect January 1st, 2025
- 07. Article IV: The Department of Housing and Urban Development will oversee
- 08. the enforcement of this bill.
- 09. Article V: All other laws are in conflict with this bill shall hereby be declared
- 10. null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Senator Rebecca Weingast
Lake Braddock Secondary School
on Fri Mar 08 2024 13:33:18 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

## **Docket A: Domestic Resolution 1011**

Term Limits on Supreme Court Justices

Be it resolved,

Line 01: Whereas: The US constitution allows Supreme Court Justices to serve life tenures; Line 02:and

Line 03: Whereas: lifetime terms do not align with the ever-shifting demands of the Line 04: American people.

Line 05: Whereas: many recent actions by the Supreme Court are unpopular among the Line 06: American people, according to a Pew Research Center study

Line 07: Whereas: Both A University of Massachusetts Amherst study and a poll by Politico Line 08: found that a majority of Americans support Supreme Court reforms.

Line 09: Whereas: A term limit on justices would allow more diversity and perspectives on Line 10: cases in the Supreme Court.

Line 11: Be it resolved by the Student Congress here assembled that a term limit of Line 12: eighteen years shall be established to allow for a reasonable justice cycle.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Representative Salah Mesnaoui
Hayfield Secondary School
on Fri Mar 08 2024 16:06:53 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

## **Docket A: International Bill 6502**

A Resolution to Restructure US Involvement in Russia-Related Affairs

Be it enacted,

- 1 Action regarding social, military, and economic interests of the United
- 2 States which are perceived to be threatened by Russian activities must first
- 3 be debated in Congress.
- 4 In the context of this bill, "Action" refers to any military or diplomatic
- 5 activity which concerns United States resources. "Threatened" refers to
- 6 perceived damage or loss to United States property or personnel
- 7 The Supreme Court would address violations of this bill, through hearing
- 8 and general trial procedure.
- 9 Actions taken by the executive branch or diplomatic parties, conducted without explicit
- 10 procedure in Congress would define a violation
- 11 Parties liable to be tried would include executive officials involved in the action,
- 12 diplomatic parties who executed instructions, or military officials who acted on executive
- 13 instructions without congressional approval.
- 14 This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2026. All laws in conflict with this
- 15 legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Representative Russell Jenkins
West Springfield High School
on Fri Mar 08 2024 16:08:20 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

A Bill to Lower Housing Rent for Low-Income Families in the United States

Be it enacted,

Line 01: Article I. A national 5% decrease in rent rates shall be imposed on all U.S. low-income

Line 02: households along with a profit cap for landlords of low-income households defined by

Line 03: state governments.

Line 04: Article II. Low-income households are defined as households with an income less than

Line 05: 60% of their region's median income. A profit cap is defined as the maximum amount

Line 06: of profit an individual can make off of an individual tenant.

Line 07: Article III. The Federal Housing Administration shall oversee the enactment and

Line 08: qualifications of this bill

Line 09: Article IV. This bill will be taken into effect January 1st, 2025.

Line 10: Article V. All laws in conflict with this bill are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Representative James Fernandes
West Springfield High School

on Fri Mar 08 2024 16:22:31 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

## **Docket A: Domestic Bill D3074**

## A Resolution to Install Term Limits in the United States Supreme Court

Be it enacted,

Line 01: The term limits for the supreme court shall be set in place and limited to only 12

Line 02: years in office.

Line 03:

Line 04: Article II. A Term limit is defined as a legal number of times that a certain public

Line 05: official is allowed to serve, which in this instance is 12 years.

Line 06: Article III. The House of Representatives shall oversee the enactment of this bill and

Line 07: hold the Supreme Court Justices accountable to uphold these terms.

Line 08:

Line 09: Article V. Any violation of this bill will result in the following:

Line 10: Immediate termination of Supreme Court Justice from public office and are unable

Line 11: to hold public office again.

Line 12:

Line 13: Possible federal charges or fines for violating the bill.

Line 14:

Line 15: Article V. This resolution shall take effect on January 1, 2027; all laws in conflict

Line 16: with this bill are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Representative Breilynn Daniels
West Springfield High School
on Fri Mar 08 2024 16:50:44 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

## A Bill to repeal Right to Work for Public Sector Jobs

Be it enacted,

Line 1: SECTION 1. Employees within public sector jobs shall not be barred from joining or

Line 2: forming labor unions, nor shall they be barred from engaging in collective

Line 3: bargaining.

Line 4: A. Any employee holds the right to form a union within their workplace should a

Line 5: majority of employees vote in concurrence.

Line 6: B. This bill does not, and will not apply to private sector jobs.

Line 7:

Line 8: SECTION 2. A "public sector job" is any job of the government of the United States, a

Line 9: state, the District of Columbia, a territory or possession of the United States,

Line 10: a city, a municipality, a township, a county, a parish, or a similar government.

Line 11:

Line 12: SECTION 3. The Department of Labor and the National Labor Relations Board shall

Line 13: be responsible for enforcing this legislation.

Line 14:

Line 15: SECTION 4. This bill shall go into effect immediately upon passage.

Line 16:

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

Line 18: void.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Caleb Quiroga

West Springfield High School

on Fri Mar 08 2024 17:54:20 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

# **Docket A: Virginia Bill 0279**

# A Bill to Reduce Nicotine Usage

## Be it enacted,

Line 01:	Article I: The General Commonwealth of Virginia shall			
Line 02:	provide greater nicotine cessation services, regulate nicotine			
Line 03:	availability with tax increases and licensing enforcement.			
Line 04:	Growing usage of tobacco and nicotine products among minors calls			
Line 05:	for the necessity of its reduction for the welfare of			
Line 06:	Virginia's population			
Line 07:	Article II: Minor refers to any individual under 21 years of age.			
Line 08:	Nicotine products include that of e-cigarettes, vapesetc			
Line 09:	Article III: Virginia tax on nicotine products shall be increased			
Line 10:	to 50% of its wholesale value.			
Line 11:	70% of revenue shall go to youth prevention and nicotine			
Line 12:	cessation programs.			
Line 13:	10% of revenue shall go to cessation research and tools			
Line 14:	20% of revenue shall focus on at-risk communities			
Line 15:	Act IV: Retailers selling nicotine products require licensing			
Line 16:	alongside annual compliance checks.			
Line 17:	Violations will result in fines, suspensions, or license revocations.			
Line 18:	Act V: The Virginia Department of Health's Tobacco Control Program			
Line 19:	alongside the Virginia Department of Education will oversee changes			
Line 20:	and give annual reports.			
Line 21:	Article VI: All laws and policies in conflict with the new law are			
Line 22:	hereby deemed null and void			
Respectfully Submitted By: Senator Jenny Piao				

Senator Jenny Piao

Hayfield Secondary School

on Fri Mar 08 2024 22:16:54 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

## **Docket A: Domestic Bill 1079**

A Bill to Increase Military Draft Age

Be it enacted,

Line 01:Be it enacted The United States shall increase the drafting age during wartime from ages 18-25 to 25-32 years of age.

Line 02: Upon passage of this legislation all currently drafted soldiers under 25 shall remain drafted in the military.

Line 03: The US Department of Defense and the Selective Line Service System shall jointly oversee the implementation and enforcement of this legislation.

Line 04: This bill will take effect on January 1st, 2025, if the US is currently at war when this legislation would take effect, it shall take effect immediately after that said war

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

Respectfully Submitted By:
Representative Afnan Zara
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on Fri Mar 08 2024 22:50:35 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)