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Docket A: Virginia Bill 2214

A Bill to Prevent Crime Through School Meals

Be it enacted,

Line 01: SECTION 1. \$500,000 will be given to the Virginia Department of
Line 02: Education Office of School and Community Nutrition Programs and
Line 03: \$150,000 will be diverted from both the Free and Reduced-Price Meals
Line 04: (FARM) and the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) to invest in
Line 05: free school lunch and breakfast programs for students at risk of
Line 06: future crime or recidivism, collectively referred to as the
Line 07: Brightening Futures Program (BFM).

Line 08:

Line 09: SECTION 2. Free school lunch programs are defined as programs providing
Line 10: qualifying students with free lunch and breakfast throughout the
Line 11: duration of the school year. Students at risk of future crime or
Line 12: recidivism are defined as students with high criminal and
Line 13: criminogenic risk such as a history of antisocial behavior, a
Line 14: dysfunctional family, criminal family members, and criminal social
Line 15: groups.

Line 16:

Line 17: SECTION 3. This bill will be enforced by the Virginia Department of
Line 18: Education Office of School and Community Nutrition Programs.

Line 19:

Line 20: SECTION 4. This bill will take effect on July 1st, 2026.

Line 21: SECTION 5. All other laws that are in conflict with this new

Line 22: policy shall hereby be declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Areli Peralta

James Madison High School

on Fri Feb 13 2026 22:20:19 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Docket A: International Bill 6741

A Bill to Restore Humanitarian Assistance to Haiti

Be it enacted,

Line 01: SECTION 1. The United States shall allocate \$1 billion annually for
Line 02: direct humanitarian assistance to Haiti, prioritizing food security,
Line 03: healthcare access, and gang violence prevention programs.

Line 04: SECTION 2. "Humanitarian assistance" means emergency aid including
Line 05: food distribution, medical services, clean water access, and
Line 06: shelter for displaced persons. "Gang violence prevention" means
Line 07: community-based programs to reduce armed gang recruitment and
Line 08: territorial control.

Line 09: SECTION 3. The Department of State shall distribute funds through:
Line 10: A. UN humanitarian agencies including the World Food Programme
Line 11: and Pan American Health Organization.
Line 12: B. Vetted nonprofit organizations with established operations in Haiti.
Line 13: C. Direct support to Haiti's National Police for anti-gang operations.

Line 14: SECTION 4. This legislation will take effect on July 1, 2026.
Line 15: All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Yash Kini

James Madison High School

on Sun Feb 15 2026 23:33:33 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Docket A: Virginia Bill 8244

A Bill to Raise the State Minimum Wage

Be it enacted,

Line 01: Article I: Virginia shall raise the current state minimum wage, \$12.77 per hour—

Line 02: annually adding \$0.50 each year until it reaches at least \$15 per hour. Upon

Line 03: reaching \$15 an hour, the minimum wage will be annually adjusted based on

Line 04: Consumer Price Index (CPI).

Line 05: Article II: Minimum wage is defined as the lowest wage permitted by law or by a

Line 06: special agreement. CPI is defined as a monthly measure of the average change over

Line 07: time in prices paid by urban consumers for a market basket of consumer goods and

Line 08: services.

Line 09: Article III: The Virginia Department of Labor and Industry (DOLI) will be responsible

Line 10: for overseeing the implementation and enforcement of this bill.

Line 11: Article IV: This legislation shall take effect on March 1st, 2026. All other laws in

Line 12: conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Daniel Lee

James Madison High School

on Tue Feb 17 2026 15:37:17 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Docket A: Domestic Bill E501

Vora act (Verified affirmation for rest accumulation)

Be it enacted,

Article I: All companies shall give employees 240 hours (30 days) of paid leave per year mandated

Article II: Paid leave will be defined as vacation time where the employee will receive full hourly wage or salaried pay without any cost to themselves. If the company fails to comply the missed pay will be paid back in interest over 2 years at a 15% interest rate

Article III: The department of labor will oversee the funding and

Article IV. The bill will take effect January 1st, 2027

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

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Nathan Lowenstein

Yorktown High School

on Fri Feb 20 2026 15:48:06 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Docket A: International Resolution I-4772

A Bill to Counter Russian Energy Influence in Serbia

Be it enacted,

A Bill to Counter Russian Energy Influence in Serbia

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION I. PURPOSE

Line 01: The purpose of this Act is to reduce the Republic of Serbia's dependence on
Line 02: Russian energy sources in order to counter malign foreign influence in the Western
Line 03: Balkans, protect United States national security interests, strengthen European
Line 04: energy resilience, and prevent the expansion of adversarial economic leverage in a
Line 05: strategically significant region.

SECTION II. SERBIA ENERGY SECURITY STRATEGY

Line 06: A. The Secretary of State, in coordination with the Secretary of Energy, shall
Line 07: develop and implement a Serbia Energy Security Strategy within 180 days of
Line 08: passage.

Line 09: B. The strategy shall prioritize:

Line 10: 1. Diversification of natural gas imports away from the Russian Federation, including
Line 11: liquefied natural gas (LNG) partnerships;

Line 12: 2. Expansion of renewable energy infrastructure;

Line 13: 3. Integration of Serbia into European energy markets to reduce vulnerability to
Line 14: external coercion;

Line 15: 4. Encouragement of private-sector investment aligned with U.S. strategic interests.

SECTION III. FINANCING AUTHORITY AND OVERSIGHT

Line 16: A. The U.S. International Development Finance Corporation (DFC) and the
Line 17: Export-Import Bank of the United States (EXIM) are authorized to provide loans, loan
Line 18: guarantees, and investment support for projects that demonstrably reduce Serbia's
Line 19: reliance on Russian energy sources.

Line 20: B. Financing shall prioritize projects that:

Line 21: 1. Decrease Russian-origin energy imports by measurable percentages;

Line 22: 2. Strengthen regional interconnectivity with NATO and European Union energy infrastructure;

Line 23: 3. Produce long-term strategic impact in limiting adversarial leverage.

Line 24: C. The Secretary of State shall submit an annual report to Congress

Line 25: detailing: 1. The total amount of financing authorized and disbursed under
Line 26: this legislation;

Line 27: L 2. The projected and realized financial returns, repayments, or liabilities associated
Line 28: with such financing;

Line 29: 3. Quantifiable changes in Serbia's energy import composition;

Line 30: 4. Strategic implications for United States national security and regional stability.

Line 31: D. No direct appropriations are authorized under this legislation.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Victoria Starykh

Langley

on Fri Feb 20 2026 18:08:04 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Docket A: Virginia Bill 6548

The Universal School Lunch Plan

Be it enacted,

Line 01: Article I: All public schools in the Commonwealth of Virginia shall
Line 02: provide a first lunch to every student at no cost to the student
Line 03: or the student's family. No student shall be denied a meal
Line 04: regardless of income, federal or any existing debt. A secondary
Line 05: lunch must be paid for by the student or student's family, the price
Line 06: being set by the school district's board.

Line 07: Article II: Public Schools are all institutions of education from
Line 08: kindergarten to 12th grade run by the Virginia Department of
Line 09: Education (VDOE). The price of the first meal is covered by state
Line 10: state and federal income, ensuring students are never charged a fee
Line 11: for lunch.

Line 12: Article III: This bill is set to take effect August 1st, 2026.

Line 13: Article IV: The VDOE Office of School and Community Nutrition Programs
Line 14: (SCNP) shall oversee the enforcement of this bill.
Line 15: The funding for the first school lunch is funded by state and
Line 16: federal income as well as Virginia General Assembly.

Line 17: Article V: Any and all other laws in conflict with this bill shall
Line 18: henceforth be declared Null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Srivar Koilada

Yorktown High School

on Fri Feb 20 2026 18:36:01 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Docket A: International Bill I490

A Bill to Cease U.S. Interference in Haiti

Be it enacted,

Line 01: Article I: This legislation will cease U.S. interference in the Republic of Haiti.

Line 02: Article II: Interference will be defined as current policy actions such as the stationing of U.S. warships off the Haitian coast and the visa restrictions placed on members of the Transitional Presidential Council that have opposed Acting-President Alix Didier Fils-Aimé.

Line 03: Article III: This legislation will come into effect on March 15, 2026.

Line 04: Article IV: This legislation will be enforced by the Department of War, the Department of State, and the Department of Homeland Security.

Line 05: Article V: All laws in conflict with this bill shall hereby be declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Henry Sumner

Yorktown High School

on Fri Feb 20 2026 18:44:56 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Docket A: Economic Bill 4125

A Bill to Provide US Citizens with a Universal Basic Income

Be it enacted,

Line 1: The United States government shall distribute checks to all
Line 2: United States citizens on a monthly basis in order to ensure
Line 3: that they may afford basic food expenses
Line 4: and to establish a universal basic income.

Line 5: Checks shall initially consist of \$250, and are to be adjusted every
Line 6: 5 years based on the US Department of Agriculture's thrifty
Line 7: food plan—a prediction on the minimum amount of money
Line 8: needed to feed a single adult. A universal basic income
Line 9: is defined as a regular cash payment made to
Line 10: all citizens regardless of income or any other factors.

Line 11: The Department of Health and Human Services shall be tasked
Line 12: with the implementation and enforcement of this bill.

Line 13: This bill shall go into effect on October 1, 2027.

Line 14: All laws in conflict with this legislation
Line 15: are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Jefferson Kemeny

James Madison High School

on Fri Feb 20 2026 20:52:54 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Docket A: Domestic Bill 6967

LARP Act: Learning Access and Reform Program Act

Be it enacted,

access shall be expanded to K-12 education by establishing a federal private school voucher program.

A “federal private school voucher” is publicly funded scholarships that allow parents to pay for tuition and fees at private, religious, or charter schools instead of their assigned public school.

This bill shall be implemented on October 1, 2026, the start of fiscal year 2027.

The Department of Education shall oversee the implementation of this bill. \$5 billion per year shall be allocated in order to fund the LARP Act.

All bills in conflict with this bill shall hereby be declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Senator Sophia Robert

Yorktown High School

on Fri Feb 20 2026 21:04:59 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Docket A: Domestic Bill 6967

LARP Act

Be it enacted,

Line 01: This bill expands access to K-12 education by establishing a federal private school voucher program.

Line 02: A “federal private school voucher” is publicly funded scholarships that allow parents to pay for tuition and fees at private, religious, or charter schools instead of their assigned public

Line 03: This bill shall be implemented on October 1, 2026, the start of fiscal year 2027.

Line 04: The Department of Education shall oversee the implementation of this bill. \$5 billion per year shall be allocated in order to fund the LARP act.

Line 05: All bills in conflict with this bill shall hereby be declared null and void.

All bills in conflict with this bill shall hereby be declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Senator Sophia Robert

Yorktown High School

on Fri Feb 20 2026 21:22:33 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Docket A: Economic Bill 5670

A Bill to Reduce Federal Student Loan Interest Rates to Lower Long-Term Borrowing Costs and Improve Access to Higher Education

Be it enacted,

Line 01: SECTION 1. The federal government shall reduce the financial burden of student loan
Line 02: repayment by capping interest rates on all new and existing federal student loans at 2%
Line 03: annually.

Line 04: SECTION 2. Federal student loans refer to any student loans issued or guaranteed by the
Line 05: United States government.

Line 06: An interest rate cap is the maximum annual percentage rate allowed on loan balances.

Line 07: SECTION 3. The U.S. Department of Education shall enforce this legislation through its
Line 08: Federal Student Aid office.

Line 09: a) The Department shall adjust interest rates for all qualifying loans within six months of Line
Line 10: enactment. b) Federal loan servicers must update borrower accounts and notify borrowers
Line 11: of the new rates. c) Any servicer failing to comply may face penalties, contract termination,
Line 12: or other administrative enforcement actions.

Line 13: SECTION 4. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Arjun Krishnamurthy

Langley

on Fri Feb 20 2026 22:05:12 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Docket A: Domestic Bill 831

A Bill to Increase Private School Transparency

Be it enacted,

Line 01: Article I: Private schools that accept private school vouchers must report

Line 02: graduation rates and academic performance statistics, as well as disclose where

Line 03: public funding from private school vouchers is used.

Line 04: Article II: "Academic performance statistics" are test scores, college enrolment

Line 05: rates, and attendance. "Public funding" is tuition revenue, voucher funding received,

Line 06: staff salaries, and administrative costs.

Line 07: Article III: The Department of Education will be responsible for implementing this

Line 08: bill.

Line 09: Article IV: Disclosure of public funding will take effect on March 1st, 2026.

Line 10: Academic reports, including graduation rates and academic performance statistics,

Line 11: will take effect on June 1st, 2026. All other laws in conflict with this legislation are

Line 12: hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Truman Kemeny

Madison High School

on Fri Feb 20 2026 23:22:49 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Docket B: International Bill I503

The Serbia Democratic Resilience and Transparency Act

Be it enacted,

Article I: The United States shall reduce Russian and Chinese influence in the region through support of independent media, diplomatic engagement, and economic pressure. Furthermore, the United States shall take measures to suppress pro-Russian paramilitary and extremist training activities within Serbia.

Article II: "Reduce Russian and Chinese influence" is defined as combating foreign political, economic, and informational influence through diplomatic pressure, including conditional cooperation, economic measures, and public information campaigns. "Pro-Russian paramilitary training" is defined as organized training activities conducted by non-state actors within Serbia that promote or prepare individuals for violent action in support of Russian interests. The United States shall suppress such activities through: Designating responsible organizations as extremist or terrorist entities when applicable. pressuring the Government of Serbia to freeze associated financial assets. Imposing targeted sanctions on individuals responsible for organizing or financing such training programs.

Article III: The bill shall be implemented immediately following approval.

Article IV: Implementation of this Bill shall be overseen by the U.S. Department of State and the U.S Department of Defense.

Article V: All other laws that are in conflict with this new policy shall hereby be declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted,

Representative Oleksii Zaiets

Yorktown High School

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Oleksii Zaiets

Yorktown High School

on Fri Feb 20 2026 20:46:14 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Super Session: Economic Bill E509

The SANDERS (Striking Americans' National Defense of Employment Rights and Security) Act

Be it enacted,

Article I: This bill allows workers on strike or locked out to get unemployment insurance benefits.

Article II: "Workers on strike" is defined as employees who collectively and temporarily cease work to pressure an employer into meeting specific demands. A lockout is defined as management-initiated work stoppage where employers prevent employees from entering the workplace during a labor dispute to force concessions or resist union demands. Unemployment insurance is a joint federal-state program providing temporary, partial wage replacement to workers who lose their jobs.

Article III: This bill shall be implemented on October 1, 2026, the start of fiscal year 2027.

Article IV: This legislation shall be executed by state-level labor agencies, and enforced by the Department of Labor.

Article V: All bills in conflict with this bill shall hereby be declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative William Schwebach

Yorktown High School

on Fri Feb 20 2026 15:58:53 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)