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Docket A: Domestic Resolution 0604

A resolution to restrict the use of pesticides in hopes of boosting bee populations

Be it resolved,

Line 01: Whereas, the American bumblebee population has decreased by

Line 02: 89% in the past two decades due to pesticide use, and

Line 03:

Line 04: Whereas, pesticides not only kill bumble bees, but also

Line 05: weaken their immune system, and

Line 06:

Line 07: Whereas, many forms of pesticides can be used that don't

Line 08: affect bees, like biopesticides and contact-only sprays, and

Line 09:

Line 10: Whereas, funding for this resolution would come from the

Line 11: federal government, and

Line 12:

Line 13: Whereas, tax breaks will be issued for the farmers who raise

Line 14: bees, as well as individuals, cities, and businesses that

Line 15: promote the use of bee-safe pesticides, and

Line 16:

Line 17: Whereas, multiple bee species will be saved along with pests

Line 18: being controlled; now, therefore, be it

Line 19:

Line 20: Resolved, that the student congress here assembled to make

Line 21: the recommendation to restrict the use of pesticides in hopes

Line 22: of boosting bee populations.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Caroline Carrier Representative

Broadway High School

on Tue Feb 24 2026 15:32:14 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Docket A: Virginia Bill 6789

Expand Renewable Energy Requirements

Be it enacted,

Section 1. All electric utilities within the state increase the percentage of electricity generated from renewable energy sources in order to promote cleaner energy production and improve long-term grid reliability.

Section 2. Electric utility shall be defined as any public or private company that generates, transmits, or distributes electricity to consumers within the state of Virginia. Renewable energy shall be defined as electricity produced from naturally replenishing sources, including but not limited to solar, wind, geothermal, hydroelectric, and certified biomass. Renewable energy requirement is defined as the mandated percentage of electricity that must come from renewable sources. Renewable energy credit shall be defined as a certificate verifying that one megawatt hour of electricity was generated from a renewable source.

Section 3. The Virginia state energy commission shall oversee implementation and enforcement of this bill.

Section 4. This bill will go into effect on January 1, 2027.

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

Respectfully Submitted By:

Jalayah Tylee Representative

LURAY HIGH SCHOOL

on Tue Feb 24 2026 15:41:24 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Docket A: International Resolution 3141

A Resolution to Send Military Forces to Control Gang Violence in Haiti

Be it resolved,

Line 01: Whereas, Haiti is currently experiencing a safety crisis, and

Line 02:

Line 03: Whereas, Most of this crisis is being driven by gang

Line 04: activities, and

Line 05:

Line 06: Whereas, The citizens of Haiti are no longer safe in the

Line 07: streets or otherwise outside of their homes, and

Line 08:

Line 09: Whereas, the Haitian government does not have the means to

Line 10: control this issue on its own, so, therefore, be it

Line 11:

Line 12: Resolved, That the United States send military enforcements

Line 13 to assist the Haitian government in mitigating gang-based

Line 14: violence.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Gabbie Garlock Representative

Broadway High School

on Tue Feb 24 2026 15:44:51 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Docket A: Virginia Bill 6788

A bill to raise the state minimum wage.

Be it enacted,

Section 1. The state minimum wage shall be increased to \$15.00 per hour for non-tipped workers through annual wage adjustments. The minimum wage for tipped workers shall be increased to \$10.00 per hour, ensuring all employees earn hourly compensation that meets basic living standards.

Section 2. Minimum wage shall be defined as the lowest hourly rate that employers are legally permitted to pay workers. Gradual increases shall be defined as raising the minimum wage by a fixed percentage each year. Tipped workers shall be defined as employees who customarily receive tips as part of their compensation. Their base wage shall be no less than \$10.00 per hour, with employers required to make up any difference if tips do not meet the standard minimum.

Section 3. The Virginia department of labor and industry shall oversee implementation and enforcement of this bill.

Section 4. This bill will go into effect on August 1, 2026.

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

Respectfully Submitted By:

Jalayah Tylee Representative

LURAY HIGH SCHOOL

on Tue Feb 24 2026 15:47:18 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Docket A: Economic Bill 6777

PAID LEAVE for ALL WORKERS

Be it enacted,

SECTION 1. All workers within the United States will have a mandated 20 days of paid leave

SECTION 2. Paid leave is defined as time the employee is paid for but is not performed doing labor for the company

Days are defined as the number of hours that the employee would normally work

SECTION 3. The Department of Labor will oversee the enactment of this policy

SECTION 4. This bill goes into effect on January 1,2028

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

Respectfully Submitted By:

Pierce Rothgeb Senator

LURAY HIGH SCHOOL

on Wed Feb 25 2026 11:36:01 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Super Session: Domestic Bill 2281

A Bill to Place Burners of the American Flag on a National Registry

Be it enacted,

Line 01: Section 1: Persons who have intentionally burned the American

Line 02: flag in a disrespectful manner shall be placed on a national

Line 03: treason watch registry. People who are placed on this

Line 04: registry will remain on the list for a period of 10 years,

Line 05: after which they will be removed and cleared from any treason

Line 06: discussion or monitoring

Line 07:

Line 08: Section 2: A disrespectful manner shall be defined as actions

Line 09: that: openly violate the United States flag code, are tied

Line 10: to anti-patriotic protests, or are any burning other than the

Line 11: respectful retiring of the colors as stipulated by the US

Line 12: flag code.

Line 13:

Line 14: Section 3: The Department of Homeland Security shall oversee

Line 15: the implementation of this bill.

Line 16:

Line 17: Section 4. This bill will take effect immediately upon passage.

Line 18:

Line 19: Section 5: All laws in conflict with this legislation are

Line 20: hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Gabbie Garlock Representative

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on Tue Feb 24 2026 16:03:03 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)