

**Congress Docket
Lincoln Academy
October 18, 2014**

**1) A Bill to Require a Sexual Consent Unit in the Maine Public
High School Health Curriculum to Better Inform Students on the
Aforementioned Issue**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. **Section 1.** All Maine public high schools must require a consent unit to be taken
2. By all students as a graduation requirement.
3. **Section 2.** Sexual Consent: Defined as the clear agreement to engage in sexual
4. Relations, unimpeded by substances that affect mental and/or physical
5. Capabilities. These substances include, but are not limited to, alcohol and certain
6. Recreational/prescription drugs.
7. Unit: Defined as a thorough, state-wide curriculum of universal length. This is to
8. Be agreed upon by a committee of health and education professionals, appointed
9. By the legislature.
10. **Section 3.** The State Board of Education will oversee the following:
11. **A)** The establishment of a committee to oversee the creation of the curriculum.
12. **B)** The training of the educational professionals in the universal curriculum.
13. **C)** The enforcement of the program in the entirety of Maine public high schools.
14. **D)** The mandating of the completion of the unit as a requirement for graduation.
15. **Section 4.** All Maine public high schools must implement this program by the
16. Expiration of the year 2020.
17. **Section 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and
void.

Submitted for Congressional Debate by CEHS

2) A Bill to Deport Illegal Immigrant Alien Felons

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1) **Section 1.** Be it known that from January 1st, 2015 to January 1st, 2018, the
- 2) United States of America shall not deport undocumented aliens unless the party
- 3) Has been convicted of a felony crime or a series of three or more misdemeanor
- 4) Crimes. During this period, those who have come to the United States illegally
- 5) Previous to this period of time will be legally recognized as citizens after their
- 6) Registration, continuing until the bill expires, at which point they must apply for
- 7) Renewal of citizenship.
- 8) **Section 2.** Illegal aliens are defined as those who have entered the United
- 9) States of America without knowledge, consent, or approval of the United States
- 10) Government. Amnesty does not apply to individuals who are wanted for crimes
- 11) They have been suspected of in foreign countries, nor those who enter the country
- 12) Between the dates of January 1st, 2015 to January 1, 2018.
- 13) **Section 3.** This law will be enforced by the United States Immigration and
- 14) Naturalization Service. The United States Department of Justice will cooperate
- 15) With the Immigration and Naturalization Service in this effort.
 - a. The United States Department of Justice will be required to report the names of those granted amnesty during the active period of this bill who have been convicted of a felony or a series of three or more misdemeanors. From that point onward, the guilty party will be deported to their country of origin.
 - b. The Immigration and Naturalization Service will use their resources to best incorporate the new citizens into the United States of America, monitor their behavior, and report any suspicious activities to the Department of Justice.
- 16) **SECTION 4.** This law will be in place from January 1, 2015 to January 1, 2018.
- 17) **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
- 18) And void.

Respectfully submitted by Representative Schiff, Greely High School

3) A Bill to Increase the Federal Minimum Wage

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1) **Section 1:** The federal minimum wage shall be increased to \$10.10 in order to
- 2) Account for inflation and stimulate the national economy.
- 3) **Section 2:** The minimum wage desired will be ten dollars and ten cents an hour.
- 4) **Section 3:** The United States Department of Labor (DOL) would enforce this law,
- 5) Using the same punishments for violations as currently in place. Current
- 6) Exceptions to this wage law would remain:
 - a) Administrative, and professional employees (including teachers and academic administrative personnel in elementary and secondary schools), outside sales employees, and certain skilled computer professionals (as defined in the Department of Labor's regulations)
 - b) Employees of certain seasonal amusement or recreational establishments
 - c) Employees of certain small newspapers and switchboard operators of small telephone companies
 - d) Seamen employed on foreign vessels
 - e) Employees engaged in fishing operations
 - f) Employees engaged in newspaper delivery
 - g) Farm workers employed on small farms (i.e., those that used less than 500 "man-days" of farm labor in any calendar quarter of the preceding calendar year)
 - h) Casual babysitters and persons employed as companions to the elderly or infirm.
- 7) **Section 4:** The bill shall be made effective by January 1, 2015.
- 8) **Section 5:** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted by Representative Brouder of Greely High School

4) A Bill to Increase The Domestic Security

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1) **Section 1:** To enforce stricter, common sense, laws on gun transactions.
- 2) **Section 2:** The bill would federally institute as background checks for all gun
- 3) Transactions as well as a 15 day waiting period. This would help lower the rares
- 4) Of suicide and homicide as a result of irrational violent behavior.
- 5) **Section 3:** Like all laws regarding the transaction of firearms, violations of this
- 6) Law will be investigated and prosecuted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.
- 7) **Section 4:** The bill shall be made effective by June 1, 2015.
- 8) **Section 5:** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and
- 9) Void.

Respectfully submitted by Representative Brouder of Greely High School

5) A BILL TO MAKE SOCIAL SECURITY SUSTAINABLE

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1) **SECTION 1.** The payroll tax limits on Social Security and Medicare will be
- 2) Eliminated
- 3) **SECTION 2.** Until 2075, Social Security and Medicare eligibility age will
- 4) Increase by one month every January 1st.
- 5) **SECTION 3.** This bill takes effect on January 1st of 2015.
- 6) **SECTION 4.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
- 7) And void.

Introduced by Joseph Perry, Bangor HS

6) A BILL TO MAKE CURRENCY ‘CENTS’IBLE (SENSIBLE)

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1) **SECTION 1.** The United States will cease production of all coins having
- 2) Denominations of less than 5 cents.
- 3) **SECTION 2.** The United States Treasury will be forbidden to mint coins
- 4) Having a cost of manufacture in excess of the denomination.
- 5) **SECTION 3.** This legislation will be overseen by the Department of the
- 6) Treasury.
- 7) **SECTION 4.** This bill takes effect on January 1st of 2015.
- 8) **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
and
- 9) Void.

Introduced by Joseph Perry, Bangor

7) A Bill to Remove Military Sex Assault Cases from Command

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1) **SECTION 1.** The Pentagon ensures that sexual assault cases in the military be
- 2) Removed
- 3) From the chain of command.
- 4) **SECTION 2.** Sexual assault is unwanted sexual contact. The chain of command
- 5) Is the order of hierarchy in the United States military.
- 6) **SECTION 3.** The Pentagon shall oversee the implementation of this legislation.
- 7) **SECTION 4.** This law will take effect on January 1, 2015.
- 8) **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
- 9) And void.

Respectfully submitted by Representative Baldacci

8) A Resolution Concerning Funding for Children in the Foster Care System

1. **WHEREAS**, there are currently no restrictions on how funding is used for
2. Children in foster care homes, and
3. **WHEREAS**, there is potential for the misappropriation of funds for children in
4. Homes, and
5. **WHEREAS**, some foster families only take in foster children for their own
6. Financial benefit and fail to use the aforementioned funding appropriately, and
7. **WHEREAS**, it would benefit the child and the foster care system if the money
8. Was tracked, and
9. **WHEREAS**, it would make foster care parents more accountable and responsible
10. For their foster child/children, and
11. **WHEREAS**, the money is intended for the foster child and therefore must be able
12. To be linked to the benefit of the child, therefore
13. **BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Student Congress here assembled that a greater
14. Number of restrictions 12. should be placed on the foster care system to ensure
15. Effective management and successful outcome, and be it
16. **FURTHER RESOLVED**, that all funding appropriated should be tracked to
17. Ensure that said children are receiving the benefits intended and described by the
18. Foster care programs.

Respectfully submitted by Senator S. McDonald, BHS, Maine District

9) A Bill to Repeal Sections 215 and 702 of the Patriot Act

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1) **SECTION 1.** The United States shall repeal sections 215 and 702 of the
- 2) Patriot Act.
- 3) **SECTION 2.** The Patriot Act is the law enacted in response to the 9/11
- 4) Terrorist attacks. It gave law-enforcement greater ability to tap telephones and
- 5) Track Internet users. Section 215 allows the government to obtain a secret court
- 6) Order requiring third parties, such as telephone companies, to hand over any

- 7) Records or other tangible thing if deemed relevant to an international terrorism,
- 8) Counterespionage, or foreign intelligence investigation. Section 702 allows the
- 9) Government to acquire foreign intelligence by targeting non-U.S. persons
- 10) “Reasonably believed” to be outside U.S. borders.
- 11) **SECTION 3.** The FBI shall oversee the implementation of this legislation.
- 12) **SECTION 4.** This law will take effect on January 1, 2015.
- 13) **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
- 14) And void.

Respectfully submitted by Representative Baldacci

10) The Caffeine Limitation Act of 2014

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1) **SECTION 1.** No product shall be sold for consumption in the United States
- 2) Including via Internet-based vendors with a caffeine content higher than 320
- 3) Milligrams per every 29 milliliters of substance.
- 4) **SECTION 2.** The Food and Drug Administration shall enforce this legislation.
- 5) **SECTION 3.** This law will take effect immediately after passage.
- 6) **SECTION 4.** States will have ninety days to comply with this legislation.
- 7) **SECTION 9.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
- 8) And void.

Introduced by Congressman Eickmann, K.H.S.

11) A Bill to Prevent Technology-Associated Distracted Driving

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1) **SECTION 1.** All infotainment systems used while driving shall be subject to
- 2) Studies to determine the amount of distraction each system causes while driving.

- 3) **SECTION 2.** Any system determined to cause greater distraction while operating
- 4) An automobile that talking with a hands-free cellular device as examined by
- 5) Cameras examining the eye and head movements of automobile operators,
- 6) Detection-Response-Tasks, and the brain waves of automobile operators in
- 7) Studies, shall not be permitted for use while operating an automobile on public
- 8) Roads.
- 9) **SECTION 3.** No automobile may be sold within the United States bearing an
- 10) Integrated operational infotainment system that has not been permitted for use
- 11) While operating an automobile on public roads.
- 12) **SECTION 4.** Any automobile collision or other accident on public roads in
- 13) Which one of the automobile operators was determined to be using an
- 14) Unpermitted infotainment system at the time of the accident will result in a
- 15) \$2,000 federal fine in addition to any state penalties applied to the automobile
- 16) Operator using the unpermitted infotainment system at the time of the accident.
- 17) **SECTION 5.** “Infotainment system” shall be defined as a technological system,
- 18) Integrated into an automobile or otherwise, that provides a user with access to
- 19) Media or communications systems, not including systems measuring the
- 20) Mechanical function of the automobile such as speedometers and odometers nor
- 21) Including cellular devices that allow a user to respond to traditional, cellular
- 22) Telephone calls without the use of the user’s hands.
- 23) **SECTION 6.** The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration will enforce
- 24) This legislation and determine permitted infotainment systems via studies.
- 25) **SECTION 7.** This law will take effect immediately after passage and will expire
- 26) From effect in 2020.
- 27) **SECTION 8.** States, automobile manufacturers, automobile merchants, and
- 28) Automobile operators will have one year to comply with this legislation.
- 29) **SECTION 9.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
- 30) And void.

Introduced by Congressman Eickmann, K.H.S.

12) A Bill to Increase the Federal Minimum Wage

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1. SECTION 1:** The United States will hereby raise the federal minimum wage to
- \$10.50 (ten 2.dollars, fifty cents).
- 3. SECTION 2:** “Federal minimum wage” shall be defined as the lowest hourly
- Wage that an 4.mployee may receive while under employment or contract for a
- Specific job.
- 6. SECTION 2A:** The definition of federal minimum wage does not include tipped
- Employees.
- 8. SECTION 3:** The Department of Labor shall oversee this bill.
- 9. SECTION 4:** This bill shall go into effect 30 days after the date of passage.
- 10. SECTION 5:** All laws in conflict with this legislation will hereby be declared
- Null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Sen. Quinn Stewart, SHS, Maine District

13) A Bill to Legalize Recreational Marijuana

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1. SECTION 1:** The United States government shall hereby no longer prohibit the
- Usage of recreational marijuana for individuals over the age of 21 years and older.
- 3. SECTION 2:** Marijuana shall be sold in a similar way to tobacco. It will be
- Locked somewhere secure until a customer makes a request for its purchase.
- 5. SECTION 3:** A form of photo identification will be required at the time of
- Purchase to prove that the person is of the legal age.

7. **SECTION 4:** If anyone under the age of 21 is caught to be using the cannabis
8. Drug, the person will be fined \$500. Every subsequent offense shall result in a
9. \$1,000 fine.
10. **SECTION 5:** If anyone if convicted of supplying someone under the age of 21
11. With marijuana, the person will be fined \$2,500 the first offense. Every
12. Subsequent offense shall result in a \$5,000 fine and potential jail time.
13. **SECTION 6:** The tax on cannabis shall be set at 23%, and it will be used for both
14. State and federal purposes.
15. **SECTION 7:** The Department of Health and Human Services shall oversee this
16. Bill.
17. **SECTION 8:** This bill shall go into effect 30 days from the date of passage.
18. **SECTION 9:** All laws in conflict with this bill are declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Sen. Quinn Stewart, SHS, Maine District

14) A Resolution to Overturn Citizens United

1. **WHEREAS**, the United States Supreme Court has defined corporations to be
2. Equivalent of American citizens in the case of Citizens United v. Federal Election
3. Commission; and
4. **WHEREAS**, this has led to massive donations from corporations; and
5. **WHEREAS**, these massive donations can lead to corruption within the state and
6. Federal government; and
7. **WHEREAS**, the United States government needs to be responsible for its citizens
8. And not corporations; now, therefore, be it
9. **RESOLVED**, by the Student Congress here assembled that the Congress will

10. Look for ways to overturn the case of Citizens United v. Federal Election

11. Commission to limit the effects of large scale donations on an election.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Sen. Quinn Stewart, SHS, Maine District

15) A RESOLUTION TO RATIFY THE UNCLOS (United Nations Convention on Law of the Seas) TO CREATE INTERNATIONALLY BINDING STANDARDS OF

LAW

1. **WHEREAS**, the United Nations created the Convention on Law of the Seas

2. In 1994, with the US still having not ratified it; and

3. **WHEREAS**, there is still no internationally binding standard for law in

4. International waters; and

5. **WHEREAS**, refusal by the United States to ratify closes off opportunities for

6. American businesses to invest in deep-sea resources; and

7. **WHEREAS**, the UNCLOS is helping to resolve disputes in the South China

8. Sea; now, therefore, be it

9. **RESOLVED**, that the Student Congress here assembled urge ratification of the

10. United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, and the United States assume

11. All responsibilities ratification entails.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by SHS, Maine District

16) A Bill to Promote Gender Equality Through Reinventing the Equal

Pay Act of 1963

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1) **Section 1:** The United States will promote economic and political equality by

2) Creating the Civil Rights Act of 2014

- 3) **Section 2:** Public authorities shall make active, targeted and systematic efforts to
- 4) Promote gender equality in social, health and business situations
- 5) **Section 3:** In the United States government, there must be a gender balance on
- 6) Public committees
- 7) **Section 4:** When a public body appoints or selects committees, governing boards,
- 8) Councils, boards, delegations, etc., both genders shall be represented as follows
 - a. If the committee has two or three members, both genders shall be represented.
 - b. If the committee has four or five members, each gender shall be represented by at least two members.
 - c. If the committee has six to eight members, each gender shall be represented by at least three members.
 - d. If the committee has nine members, each gender shall be represented by at least four members.
 - e. If the committee has more members, each gender shall be represented by at least 40 percent of the members.
- 9) **Section 5:** Prohibition against collection of information in connection with appointment:
 - a. An employer shall not collect information about pregnancy, adoption or plans to have children during the appointment process, whether during interviews or otherwise.
- 10) **Section 6:** A worker who is or has been on parental leave pursuant to section 12-5 of the Working Environment Act shall be entitled to:
 - a. return to the same, or a corresponding, position
 - b. benefit from improvements in working conditions to which the worker would otherwise have been entitled during the absence, and
 - c. make pay claims and, in pay negotiations, be assessed in the same way as the other workers in the undertaking.
- 11) **Section 7:** Financial considerations will be made to inform others through
- 12) Educational programs that are geared towards historical-based learning of the

- 13) Minorities. Education also includes the importance of studying gender roles,
- 14) Sexual harassment, and human psychology.
- a. Financial considerations will also include planned parenthood education and access to health necessities such as contraceptives for both genders
- 15) **Section 8:** Women and men in the same undertaking shall receive equal pay for
- 16) The same work or work of equal value in all locations of the United States. Pay
- 17) Shall be set in the same way for women and men without regard to gender or
- 18) Previous socio-economic status.
- 19) **Section 9:** Whether the work is of equal value shall be determined following an
- 20) Overall assessment in which emphasis is given to the expertise that is required to
- 21) Perform the work and other relevant factors, such as effort, responsibility and
- 22) Working conditions.
- 23) **Section 10:** “Pay” shall be defined as an ordinary remuneration for work plus all
- 24) Other supplements or advantages or other benefits provided by the employer. Any
- 25) Person who is discriminated against may claim compensation for non-economic
- 26) Loss and compensation for economic loss.
- 27) **Section 11:** The Federal Government should enact a specific holiday that
- 28) Promotes equality and the well-being of minorities in history, as well as other
- 29) Underrated leaders in history.
- 30) **Section 12:** This Act shall apply in all sectors of society.
- 31) **Section 13:** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and
- 32) Void.

Respectfully Submitted by KA, KHS, Maine District