# Congress Docket Falmouth High School November 2, 2014

# 1) A Bill to Require Uniforms in Public Schools

#### BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1. SECTION 1. The United States shall require mandatory uniforms in public
- 2. schools.
- 3. SECTION 2. Each individual school board will determine what type of uniform
- 4. they will require.
- 5. SECTION 3. The Department of Education will oversee the enforcement of the
- 6. bill.
- 7. SECTION 4. This bill takes 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, BHS

# 2) The Property Rights Extension and Protection Act of 2015

#### BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1. SECTION 1. Law enforcement shall not seize the assets of persons in the United
- 2. States, or request that they surrender assets, unless said persons have been
- 3. convicted of a Class C felony or higher. A violation of this law shall itself be
- 4. considered a Class C felony, and shall carry a sentence of 5-10 years in a federal
- 5. prison.

6. SECTION 2. Assets shall be defined for this purpose of this legislation as

7. anything with material worth, including but not limited to cash, vehicles,

8. appliances, real estate and other valuables.

9. SECTION 3. The Federal Bureau of Investigation shall implement and enforce10. this legislation.

11. SECTION 4. This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.

12. SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null13. and void.

Respectfully submitted by Senator Molloy of Falmouth High School

# 3) The Internet Device Integrity Act of 2014

#### BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. SECTION 1. No government agency, or entity acting on its behalf, shall enable

- 2. government agencies or other entities to access Internet-capable devices without
- 3. the owner's knowledge and consent, or to bypass encryption and other security
- 4. programs used in said devices.
- 5. SECTION 2. The Attorney General and the Secretaries of Defense and
- 6. Homeland Security, shall implement and enforce this legislation.
- 7. SECTION 3. This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2015.
- 8. SECTION 4. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
- 9. and void.

Respectfully submitted by Senator Molloy of Falmouth High School

#### 4) A BILL TO IMPLEMENT CONGRESSIONAL TERM LIMITS

- 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
- 2. SECTION 1. All senators and representatives in the United States Congress will
- **3.** be subjected to term limits.
- 4. SECTION 2A. All representatives will have a term limit of six terms, equaling
- 5. twelve years.
- 6. SECTION 2B. All senators will have a term limit of three terms, equaling
- 7. eighteen years
- 8. SECTION 2C. Any term a representative or senator who was appointed or not
- 9. elected on Election day, will be disregarded in the amount of terms.
- **10. SECTION 3.** The Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House will oversee this legislation.
- 11. SECTION 4. This law will take effect immediately. The counting of the amount
- 12. of terms served will begin in 2014 or the next election of the senators and
- 13. congressmen. .
- 14. SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null15. and void.

Introduced by Senator Danby, BHS, Maine District

# 5) A BILL TO ENSURE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF OUR FOREIGN AID

- 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
- 2. SECTION 1. Chapter 1 Part 3 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1962 shall be
- **3.** amended by passing H.R. 652 (113th Congress).
- 4. SECTION 2. H.R. 652 is a bill designed to change the Foreign Assistance Act of
- 5. 1962 to limit assistance and aid to countries that engage in discriminating certain
- 6. education, religious, or freedom of movements practices.
- 7. SECTION 3. The Department of State will oversee this piece of legislation.
- 8. SECTION 4. This bill will take effect within ten days upon passage.
- 9. SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null

10. and void.

Introduced by Senator Danby, BHS, Maine District

# 6) A BILL TO REPEAL THE NDAA

- 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
- 2. SECTION 1. The annual National Defense Authorization Act is hereby repealed.
- 3. SECTION 2. The Departments of Defense and Justice shall oversee this
- 4. legislation.
- 5. SECTION 3. This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.
- 6. SECTION 4. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
- 7. and void.

#### Introduced by Senator Danby, BHS, Maine District

# 7) A Bill to Establish Universal Pre-K

#### 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 2. SECTION 1. The United States must have universal Pre-K in every state.
- 3. SECTION 2. Each state must determine a policy to ensure that every child will
- 4. attend preschool.
- 5. SECTION 3. The Department of Education must enforce this law.
- 6. SECTION 4. This law will take effect on January 1, 2017.
- 7. SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
- 8. and void.

Respectfully submitted by Representative Baldacci, BHS, Maine District

# 8) A Bill to Label GMOs

#### 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 2. SECTION 1. The United States label genetically modified food.
- 3. SECTION 2. Genetically modified food is derived from an organism whose
- 4. DNA has been altered for the purpose of improvement or correction of defects.
- 5. SECTION 3. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration will oversee the
- 6. implementation of this legislation.
- 7. SECTION 4. This law will take effect on January 1, 2017.
- **8. SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

#### Respectfully submitted by Representative Baldacci

# 9) A BILL TO CUT EDUCATION AID TO PAKISTAN

#### 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 2. SECTION 1. All future aid to Pakistan for educational purposes will now be cut.
- 3. SECTION 2. "Education aid" is defined as any money that is given to Pakistan
- 4. and spent on the education of their children.
- 5. SECTION 3. This bill will be enforced by the Department of Justice.
- 6. SECTION 4. This bill shall take effect on March 1, 2014.
- 7. SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
- 8. and void.

Introduced by BHS, Maine District

## 10) A Resolution to Abolish the Sale of Tobacco Products

- 1. Whereas: tobacco products are some of the deadliest products in the history of
- 2. civilization, killing an estimated 6 million people a year; and
- 3. Whereas: there is no real benefit to tobacco use, as long term it kills half of its
- 4. users; and
- 5. Whereas: the tobacco industry has already promised to halt the production of its
- 6. products if they were found harmful; and
- 7. Whereas: a majority of smokers do not enjoy the fact that they smoke; and
- 8. Whereas: a prohibition on the sale of commercial tobacco products would lead
- 9. to a net reduction in health costs, an increase in labor productivity, and a halt
- **10.** on the waste of precious physical resources;
- 11. Therefore: be it resolved by this Palm Beach Catholic Forensic League Student
- 12. Congress here assembled that all tobacco products be banned from
- **13.** commercial sale in the United States.

Introduced by BHS, Maine District

# 11) A Bill to Implement a National Smart Grid

# BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT: SECTION 1.

A. A Smart Grid will be implemented across the United States and give access available for every household through Smart meters
B. Citizens who have religious beliefs that do not permit electricity/technology in the home such as the Amish are exempt from this legislation.

- 3. SECTION 2. "Smart Grid" will be defined as a class of technology people are
- 4. using to bring utility electricity delivery systems into the 21st century, using
- 5. computer-based remote control and automation.
- 6. SECTION 3. This legislation shall be implemented through the U.S Department of
- 7. Energy's Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability.
- 8. SECTION 4. This legislation shall be fully implemented within 50 years of9. passing.
- 10. SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null11. and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Brendan Bayer of Falmouth High School (ME)

# 12) A BILL TO REQUIRE WELFARE RECIPIENTS TO PERFORM COMMUNITY SERVICE

#### 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2. SECTION 1. Welfare recipients will be required to perform community service.

#### 3. SECTION 2.

A. The community offering support will require 15- 20 hours of community service per month from the welfare recipient.

**B.** In exchange for their services, these citizens will receive welfare benefits deemed appropriate for their situation.

**C.** And individual who is disabled will not have to perform any sort of manual labor but will still have to perform other services depending on their physical condition.

- 4. SECTION 3. This bill shall take effect on January 1st, 2016.
- 5. SECTION 4. This bill shall be enforced by the Department of Health and Human
- 6. Services.
- 7. SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation shall be declared null and
- 8. void.

Introduced by Rep. Daigle, BHS, Maine District

# 13) A Bill to Fix our Cities' Infrastructure

#### **1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:**

- 2. SECTION 1: \$100 billion go to the funding of public transit projects in cities
- 3. across America.
- 4. SECTION 2: Public transit projects shall be defined as projects for the

- 5. construction improvement of government run transportation, such as light rail,
- 6. heavy rail, bus, bus rapid transit, and paratransit.
- 7. Cities shall be defined as municipalities larger than 100,000 people.
- 8. Section 3: The Department of Transportation will provide funding for this
- 9. measure.
- **10. Section 4:** This bill will go into effect January 1st, 2015.

11. Section 5: All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and12. void.

Respectfully submitted by Andy Sandweiss, Bangor High School

# 14) The Affordable College Act of 2016

# **1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:**

- 2. SECTION 1: The United States government will hereby fund all tuitions for
- 3. public colleges and universities so that it is free to all students who wish to go.
- 4. SECTION 2: "Public colleges and universities" shall be defined as colleges or
- 5. universities currently receiving funding from the state or federal governments.
- 6. SECTION 3: Room and board, for all students who wish to explore this option,
- 7. will still be charged to students and at the current rates that colleges have them at.
- 8. SECTION 4: "Room and board" shall be defined as any student of a college or
- 9. university living on campus and their living expenses.

#### **10. SECTION 5:** The United States government shall receive all necessary funding

- **11.** from a .1% tax increase on American citizens and with money that was
- 12. previously used for student aid and federal loans.

13. SECTION 6: The Department of Education shall oversee this bill.

14. SECTION 7: This bill shall go into effect on January 1st, 2016.

15. SECTION 8: The delay is set so that the United States government has the

16. necessary time to gain the required funding for this bill.

**17. SECTION 9:** All laws in conflict with this bill shall be declared null and void. *Introduced for Congressional Debate by Sen. Quinn Stewart, SHS, Maine District* 

# 15) A Bill to Approve the Keystone XL Pipeline

#### 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2. SECTION 1: TransCanada Keystone Pipeline, L.P. is authorized to construct,

- 3. operate, and maintain pipeline facilities for the import of crude oil and other
- 4. hydrocarbons at the United States-Canada Border at Phillips County, Montana, in
- 5. accordance with the application filed with the Department of State on May 4,

**6.** 2012.

- 7. SECTION 2: "Crude oil" shall be defined as an unrefined petroleum product
- 8. composed of hydrocarbon deposits.
- 9. SECTION 3: The Department of State, Department of Energy and
- 10. Environmental Protection Agency will oversee the enforcement of this bill.
- 11. SECTION 4: The bill will be implemented in January 2015.
- 12. **SECTION 5:** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
- 13. and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by SHS, Maine District

# 16) The Assisted Suicide Act of 2015

#### BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. SECTION 1: Assisted suicide shall hereby be legalized in the United States for

- 2. doctors to use for their patients suffering from a terminal disease who want to end
- **3.** their lives using these means.
- 4. SECTION 2: "Terminal diseases" shall be defined as a disease that causes
- 5. extreme suffering on the part of the patient.
- 6. SECTION 3: "Extreme suffering" shall be defined as a level of suffering
- 7. determined by the patient that hinders the individuals ability to live their life the
- 8. way that is desired for the patient.
- 9. SECTION 4: "Assisted suicide" shall be defined as a medical way to end the
- 10. patient's life using means of injection that is commonly used in the death penalty.

**11. SECTION 5:** The Department of Health and Human Services shall oversee this**12.** bill.

- 13. SECTION 6: Before the procedure may take place, a mental exam on the patient
- 14. will take place and be administered by the Department of Health and Human
- 15. Services to ensure that the patient is of sound mind in order to make the decision.
- 16. SECTION 7: If the Department of Health and Human Services find the patient to
- 17. not be of sound mind, the patient's family will be left to make the decision.
- 18. SECTION 8: If there is no family to be found, the procedure will not take place.
- 19. SECTION 9: If a doctor is convicted of performing this procedure on a patient
- 20. without their consent or the consent of the family, the doctor will be charged with
- 21. first degree murder.
- 22. SECTION 10: This legislation will go into effect on January 1, 2015.
- 23. SECTION 11: All laws in conflict with this legislation will be declared null and24. void.

Submitted for Congressional Debate for SHS, Maine District

#### **17) A RESOLUTION TO RATIFY THE UNCLOS**

# (United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea) TO CREATE INTERNATIONALLY BINDING STANDARDS OF LAW

- 1. WHEREAS, the United Nations created the Convention on Law of the Seas in
- 2. 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 refusal by the United States to ratify closes off
- 5. opportunities for American businesses to invest in deep-sea resources; and
- 6. WHEREAS, the UNCLOS is helping to resolve disputes in the South China Sea;
- 7. now therefore, be it
- 8. RESOLVED, that the Student Congress here assembled urge ratification of the
- 9. United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, and the United States assume
- **10.** all responsibilities ratification entails.

Submitted for Congressional Debate by Senator Quinn Stewart, SHS, Maine District

#### 18) The Internal Revenue Service Improvement Act of 2014

#### BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1. SECTION 1. The Internal Revenue Service (I.R.S.) will create a division to
- 2. research minor improvements to I.R.S. processing that might increase the
- 3. efficiency and rapidity of the execution of the duties of the I.R.S.
- 4. SECTION 2. Potential improvements discovered by the newly created division
- 5. will be proposed directly to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue and the
- 6. Secretary of Treasury for consideration and execution.
- 7. SECTION 3. I.R.S. processing shall be defined to include the management of
- 8. information and documents within the I.R.S. and the nature of communication

9. regarding such information and documents between the I.R.S. and other entities
10. but shall not include actual taxation policy such as tax rates, tax deductions, or tax
11. refunds.

12. SECTION 4. The Internal Revenue Service (I.R.S.) will execute this legislation.

**13. SECTION 5.** States will have ninety days to comply with this legislation.

14. SECTION 6. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null

15. and void.

Introduced by Senator Eickmann, K.H.S., Maine District

#### **19) A Resolution to Create Responsible Gun Ownership**

- 1. WHEREAS, the horrible atrocities committed every year against innocent
- 2. American citizens as a result of firearms have henceforth gone relatively
- 3. unregulated; and

4. WHEREAS, the exigency for effective, constitutional regulation of firearms for

5. the safety of the American people indicates that immediate action must be taken;

6. now, therefore, be it

7. **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled, that legislation shall be enacted

8. to ensure that any citizen of the United States possessing one or more firearms

9. register all of his or her firearms with the Department of Commerce and insure

10. with private corporations all of his or her firearms against personal damages

11. resulting from the use of any of the firearms; that any citizen of the United States

- 12. determined to possessing a firearm in violation of such requirements shall forfeit
- 13. his or her firearms to the United States government; and that Bureau of Alcohol,
- 14. Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives shall have power to execute such legislation.

# 20) International War Crime Prosecution Act

#### BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1. Section 1: Whereas, The United States gives 3.15 billion dollars to Israel a year.
- 2. This bill is to block all funding until the United Nations investigation of Israeli
- 3. War crimes against Palestinians in Gaza.
- 4. Section 2: The bill would stop all 3.15 billion dollars of aid money from going to
- 5. Israel until all the investigative steps in chapter 44 of the UN rule book are
- 6. Completed, including internal investigations, international investigations,
- 7. Prosecution of the Israeli Military and trial of appropriate Israeli officials. If it is
- 8. In fact found that Israel has violated the international laws of war, international
- 9. Funding to Israel will be blocked until further legislation is passed.
- 10. Section 3: United States Agency for International Development shall oversee the
- 11. Termination of international spending on Israel.
- 12. Section 4: The bill shall be made effective November 1, 2014.
- 13. Section 5: All laws in conflict with this legislation are declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted by Representative Brouder of Greely High School

# 21) The States Rights Act

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1. Section 1: Whereas, Puerto Rico and American Samoa are American Territories.
- 2. This bill would allow these citizens to vote for statehood.
- 3. Section 2: Citizens of American Samoa and Puerto Rico will have the opportunity
- 4. To vote on statehood in November 4, 2016. Statehood is the recognition by the
- 5. Federal government that a region is a US state and that the constitution is fully
- 6. Applicable to a region.
- 7. Section 3: The Federal Election Committee (FEC) would enforce this bill.
- 8. Section 4: The bill shall be made effective November 4, 2016.
- 9. Section 5: All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and10. void.

## Respectfully submitted by Representative Brouder of Greely High School.

# 22) A BILL TO REDUCE AGRICULTURAL SUBSIDIES BY 50%

#### 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 2. SECTION 1. All agricultural subsidies allocated by the U.S. Department of
- 3. Agriculture to farmers or agribusinesses in the U.S. will be reduced by 50%
- 4. SECTION 2. Agricultural Subsidies are defined as funds provided by the
- 5. government to farmers or agribusinesses. *Farmers* are defined as people who
- 6. own and manage farms or related agribusinesses.
- 7. SECTION 3. The Department of Agriculture will oversee the enforcement of
- **8.** this law in the following ways.
  - **A.** A committee will be created to ensure that the law is enforced consistently as it is applied to all farms and agribusinesses in the U.S..
  - **B.** An annual record of agricultural subsidies will be published which details the amount of funds that are being allocated to farmers or agribusinesses in the U.S..
- 9. SECTION 4. This law will be implemented immediately upon passage.
- 10. SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null11. and void.

Submitted by Representative Moyer, Kennebunk HS, Maine District