

**Congress Docket**  
**Lincoln Academy**  
**October 17, 2015**

**1) A Bill to Reauthorize the Export-Import Bank**

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2. **SECTION 1.** The United States government will hereby reauthorize the Export -
3. Import Bank.
4. **SECTION 2.** This law will go into effect immediately.
5. **SECTION 3.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
6. And void.

*Respectfully submitted by Rep. Baldacci, Bangor High School, Maine District*

**2) The Humane Methods of Interrogation Act**

1. **BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:**
2. **SECTION 1.** The Central Intelligence Agency shall be prohibited from holding
3. Detainees other than on a short-term, transitory basis.
4. **SECTION 2.** The interrogation techniques of such detainees and/or any persons
5. Who are in the custody of the United States shall be limited to techniques mentioned
6. In the Army Field Manual.
7. **SECTION 3:** "Short term, transitory basis" shall be defined as a temporary
8. Holding of a "detainee" for the purposes of relocating said detainee from one location
9. To another.
10. "Detainee" shall be defined as a person and/or persons that are held in custody by the
11. Appropriate powers to be and who are not suspects in criminal cases or prisoners of

12. War.

13. **SECTION 4.** The Director of National Intelligence and the Legislative

14. Branch shall enforce this bill by all available means.

A. Any person or persons found violating this legislation in either the CIA or a party working under the CIA shall be subject to immediate removal from the CIA.

B. A minimum of 10 years' incarceration without possibility of parole shall be implemented on said persons.

15. **SECTION 5.** This bill shall take effect immediately after passage.

16. **SECTION 6.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and

17. Void.

*Respectfully submitted by Rep. Baldacci, Bangor High School, Maine District*

### **3) A Resolution to Endorse the Partnership of the Trans-Pacific**

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

2. **SECTION 1:** The Trans-Pacific Partnership is endorsed

3. **SECTION 2:** President Obama has almost completed negotiating the Trans Pacific

4. Partnership, a free trade agreement within countries bordering the Pacific Ocean; and

5. **SECTION 3:** Many free trade agreements face difficulties because participants fear

6. Their national legislatures will reject the agreements.

7. **SECTION 4:** RESOLVED: that the Congress assembled here commits to ratifying

8. The Trans Pacific Partnership, with minimum changes and

9. Ensuring that the agreement does not allow foreign firms to gain government support

10. Prohibited to American firms under the TPP.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Kaitlyn Anderson, Kennebunk High School*

#### **4) A Bill to Ensure Equal Pay for Equal Work**

- 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:**
- 2. SECTION 1:** The United States ensure that female workers are paid the same as
- 3.** Their male counterparts that are in the same position.
- 4. SECTION 2:** The Department of Labor will oversee the enforcement of this bill.
- 5. SECTION 3:** This bill takes effect on January 1, 2015.
- 6. SECTION 4:** All laws in conflict with 5. this legislation are hereby declared null
- 7.** And void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Kaitlyn Anderson, Kennebunk High School*

#### **5) A Bill to Repeal Tax Cuts**

- 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS ASSEMBLED THAT:**
- 2. SECTION 1A:** All tax cuts instituted by George W. Bush shall be
- 3.** Repealed, which would raise taxes to their previous levels before his inauguration.
- 4. SECTION 1B:** The following tax cuts would be included:
  - A.** Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001;
  - B.** Jobs and Growth Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2003;
  - C.** Tax Increase Prevention and Reconciliation Act of 2005;
  - D.** Any changes made to the Alternative Minimum Tax
  - E.** American Taxpayer Relief Act.
- 5. SECTION 2:** This bill shall be enforced by the Internal Revenue Service.
- 6. SECTION 3:** All laws in conflict with this bill shall be declared null and void.
- 7. SECTION 4:** This law shall take effect on December 1, 2016.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Kaitlyn Anderson, Kennebunk High School*

## **6) A Bill to Change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples Day**

- 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS ASSEMBLED THAT:**
- 2. SECTION 1:** Every October 12, the United States will recognize Indigenous Peoples Day, which would replace the current Columbus Day holiday
- 3. SECTION 2:** “Indigenous Peoples” will be defined as individuals who originated in what is now the United States, or people that have a set of specific rights based on their historical ties to their particular territory and cultural distinctiveness.
- 4. SECTION 3:** All laws in conflict with this bill shall be declared null and void.
- 5. SECTION 4:** This law shall take effect on October 12, 2016.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Kaitlyn Anderson, Kennebunk High School*

## **7) A Resolution to Increase the Quota of Refugees Allowed Asylum in the United States**

- 1. WHEREAS,** The ongoing conflict in Syria, starting in the Arab Spring has continued
- 2.** To worsen; and,
- 3. WHEREAS,** This has lead to the relocation, injury, and death of a great number of
- 4.** Innocent civilians; and,
- 5. WHEREAS,** The massive groups of immigrants seeking asylum and protection in
- 6.** Europe and Asia has begun to exceed the capacity that these countries believe they
- 7.** Can adequately deal with; and
- 8. WHEREAS,** The United States bears a responsibility to aid both the European
- 9.** Countries who are beyond their capacity to handle the influx of refugees as well as
- 10.** The refugees themselves; now, therefore, be it
- 11. RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled will look for ways to increase the

12. Number of refugees allowed asylum in the United States as much as possible;
13. And, be it
14. **FURTHER RESOLVED**, That Congress consider taking actions to begin operations
15. To help refugees escape if they do not have the means to escape themselves.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Representative Cerabona, KHS*

## **8) The TRUE JUSTICE ACT OF 2016**

1. **BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:**
2. **SECTION 1:** Any and all criminal accusations of felonious behavior shall be
3. Prosecuted solely by courts under the purview of a federally appointed judge and that
4. Guilt or lack thereof shall be determined solely by a jury of peers, with the exception
5. Of criminal prosecution overseen by the United States Senate.
6. **SECTION 1A:** All organization bodies in violation of Section 1 are hereby declare
7. Illegal and their authority to enforce penalties rendered null and void.
8. **SECTION 1B:** All organizational bodies in violation of Section 1A must cease this
9. Illegal activity by the date of implementation or must immediately disband.
10. **SECTION 1C:** Any organizational bodies which refuse to either cease their activities
11. Or disband, will be subject to a minimum \$200,000 fine or a period of up to two years
12. In prison.
13. **SECTION 2A:** Felonious behavior shall be defined as any activity which violates
14. Federal laws of the state in which the crime takes place, and is punishable by jail time
15. or the death penalty.
16. **SECTION 2B:** Organizational bodies shall be defined as any independent group
17. Composed of more than five members.

**18. SECTION 3:** This bill and funding shall be handled by the Department of Justice.

**19. SECTION 4:** This bill shall go into effect on January 1st, 2016.

**20. SECTION 5:** All laws in conflict with this bill are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Rep. David Flewelling, SHS, Maine District*

## **9) THE FAIR WAGE ACT OF 2017**

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

**2. SECTION 1:** The federal minimum wage shall hereby be increased to \$12.50

**3.** (twelve dollars, fifty cents).

**4. SECTION 2:** The federal minimum wage shall be defined as the lowest hourly wage

**5.** That someone can receive while under employment for a certain job.

**6. SECTION 3A:** The Department of Labor shall oversee the enforcement of this bill.

**7. SECTION 3B:** After enactment, the Department of Labor shall create a list of all

**8.** Potential exemptions from raises in the minimum wage, to be submitted to a vote on

**9.** The Senate floor within 60 days from the date of enactment.

**10. SECTION 3C:** After enactment, the minimum wage shall increase every year, with

**11.** The raise being tied to the Chained Consumer Price Index Inflation rate. If the wage

**12.** Inflation is less than the current minimum wage, then no raise shall occur.

**13. SECTION 4:** This bill shall be enacted on January 1st, 2017.

**14. SECTION 5:** All laws in conflict with this bill are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Senator Quinn Stewart, SHS, Maine District*

## **10) A RESOLUTION TO OVERTURN CITIZENS UNITED**

1. **WHEREAS**, The Supreme Court case of *Citizens United v. Federal Election*
2. *Commission* allowed for large corporations to be seen in the eyes of the law as people
3. And for money to be equated as free speech; and
4. **WHEREAS**, This case has allowed for the rise in large corporate influence to take
5. Control over the election; and
6. **WHEREAS**, Politicians need to be responsible to their constituents and not to their
7. Donors; now, therefore, be it
8. **RESOLVED**, By the Student Congress here assembled that the United States look
9. For ways to overturn the Supreme Court case of *Citizens United v. Federal Election*
10. *Commission* in  
order to limit the effects of large scale donations in an election.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Senator Quinn Stewart, SHS, Maine District*