

Congress Docket
Maranacook Community High School
December 9, 2017

1) A Resolution to Override the FCC

1. **WHEREAS**, there are no legal protections requiring net neutrality and,
2. **WHEREAS**, since 2005, internet service providers (ISPs) have been pressured to
3. respect net neutrality by previous administrations and,
4. **WHEREAS**, the Federal Communications Commission is under the jurisdiction of
5. the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and,
6. **WHEREAS**, the FCC is set to vote on the matter of net neutrality around December
7. 14th; now therefore be it
8. **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled work to enforce net neutrality
9. regulations even if the FCC were to repeal such policies.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Senator Bilal Hussein, ELHS, Maine District

2) A Resolution to Eliminate the “Victory Tax” on Olympic Medalists

1. **WHEREAS**, athletes who compete in the Olympics for Team USA have a shot at
2. winning Gold, Silver, and Bronze medals as well as cash winnings and,
3. **WHEREAS**, many of these winnings are subject to be taxed as income and,
4. **WHEREAS**, a majority of countries have exempt the cash winnings and medals to be
5. treated as income; now therefore be it
6. **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled work to propose appropriate
7. legislation to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to eliminate the tax on
8. Olympic medals won by United States athletes.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Senator Bilal Hussein, ELHS, Maine District

3) A Resolution to Intervene in Burma

1. **WHEREAS**, the Burmese military regime is committing acts of genocide against the
2. Rohingya and,
3. **WHEREAS**, the United States stands firmly against ethnic cleansing and other
4. crimes against humanity and,
5. **WHEREAS**, the international community has failed to effectively act in this crisis
6. and, **WHEREAS**, the United States recognizes that aside from the humanitarian
7. implications of the crisis, such acts of genocide destabilize the region and may spur
8. future threats national security; now
9. therefore be it **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled work to authorize the
10. President to use military force to end the ethnic cleansing of the Rohingya in Burma.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by NSDA; Submitted by Senator Bilal Hussein, ELHS, Maine District

4) A Resolution to Impeach the President of the United States

1. **WHEREAS**, while in conduct, Mr. Donald John Trump is in violation of his
2. constitutional oath to faithfully to execute the office of President of the United States
3. and, **WHEREAS**, Mr. Trump had requested to former FBI Director James Comey to
4. curtail the investigation of activities of Gen. Michael Flynn and,
5. **WHEREAS**, Mr. Trump sought to use his authority to hinder and cause termination
6. of a federal investigation; now therefore be it
7. **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled work to impeach, put on trial, and
8. remove from office the 45th President of the United States, Donald J. Trump.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Senator Bilal Hussein, ELHS, Maine District

5) A BILL TO IMPROVE NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE

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

2. **SECTION 1:** All interstate highway improvement needs shall be put out to bid for
3. private contractors who will complete the work at their own expense.
4. **SECTION 2:** Such private contractors may be permitted to charge a toll for travel
5. upon a section of the highway which they maintain.
6. **SECTION 3:** The price of such tolls will be set by what those private contractors
7. estimate will be when they recover their costs within 15 years.
8. **SECTION 4:** The federal tax on gasoline intended for highway maintenance shall be
9. removed during this 15 year period.
10. **SECTION 5:** The Department of Transportation shall oversee the implementation of
11. this legislation.
12. **SECTION 6:** This legislation shall go into effect on May 28, 2018.
13. **SECTION 7:** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Senator Bilal Hussein, ELHS, Maine District

6) A Bill to Broaden the Financial Spectrum of the Pell Grant Program

1. **Be it enacted by the representatives here assembled that:**
2. **SECTION 1.** The United States Government will double the annual award maximum
3. and double the expected family contribution eligibility of the Pell Grant program in
4. order to provide the subsidy to a broader range of students attending college.
5. The broadening of the spectrum will go towards providing grants for families on a
6. broader income level.
 - A. Define broadening as the action to expand and encompass more people.
 - B. Define spectrum as a range, normally used to classify something that can be placed 8. between two broad points.
7. **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Education shall oversee this
8. legislation.

9. **SECTION 4.** This law shall take effect immediately upon passage.

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

Introduced by Mount Desert Island High School, Maine District

7) A Resolution to Grant Statehood to Puerto Rico

1. **WHEREAS,** Puerto Rico has voted several times in favor of attaining statehood; and

2. **WHEREAS,** Puerto Rico has adopted a territorial constitution which was approved by the

3. U.S. Congress in 1951 as “not repugnant” to the U.S. Constitution and is the functional

4. equivalent of a valid state constitution; and

5. **WHEREAS,** A U.S. Senate committee has heard testimony on Puerto Rico’s 2012 statehood

6. referendum vote and acknowledged that the majority of Puerto Rican people had voted in

7. favor of statehood; and

8. **WHEREAS,** Puerto Rican citizens are already automatically granted full U.S. Citizenship;

9. now, therefore, be it

10. **RESOLVED,** That the Student Congress here assembled shall hereby grant full statehood to

11. the U.S. Territory Puerto Rico.

Introduced by Mount Desert Island High School, Maine District

8) A Resolution Regarding Oil Subsidies

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

2. **WHEREAS,** the United States reliance on fossil fuels will become more problematic as

3. current reserves become depleted, and,

4. **WHEREAS,** the development of electric cars presents an opportunity to decrease

5. reliance on fossil fuels, and,

6. **WHEREAS,** the fossil fuel industries within the United States currently receive

7. substantial subsidies from the United States government, and,

8. **WHEREAS,** the United States must continue to promote environmentally sustainable

9. innovation, therefore, be it

10. **RESOLVED,** by the congress here assembled that 50% of the subsidies currently granted

11. to the fossil fuel industry to the electric car producing divisions of automobile
12. manufacturers by the year 2020.

Respectfully Submitted by Cole Cerabona, Kennebunk HS, Maine District

9) A Bill to Permit Immigration Agents in Schools

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2. **SECTION 1.** All public and charter schools in the United States which receive federal Title I
3. funding are required to:
 - A. Provide access to school property to Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials upon request.
 - B. Provide access to students for the purpose of interview, with school officials acting in loco parentis.
 - C. Provide student records and personal information to Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials upon request.
4. **SECTION 2.** Such disclosures of information shall not constitute a violation of the Federal
5. Educational Records Privacy Act.
6. **SECTION 3.** Immigration and Customs Enforcement will inform the Department of
7. Education as to when a school or district refuses to comply with the terms of Section 1. Any
8. violation of Section 1 may result in the withholding of all Title 1 funding for said school or
9. district until such time as they are in compliance.
10. **SECTION 4.** This shall take effect upon passage.
11. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by NSDA

10) A Bill to Increase Public Investment in Geothermal Energy

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. \$500 million shall be allocated toward the subsidization of the US geothermal energy industry.

SECTION 2. Geothermal energy shall be defined as energy derived and generated from heat stored in the Earth.

SECTION 3. The U.S. Department of Energy shall be charged with the implementation of this legislation.

A. Funding for this legislation shall come from an increase in the federal gas tax of 2 cents per gallon.

B. All additional or leftover funds shall be redirected to the National Highway Trust Fund.

SECTION 4. This legislation shall go into effect FY 2019.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by NSDA