

WSFA Spring Congress Legislative Packet 2012

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A

A Bill to Clarify Relations

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Legal guardians and minors are available to apply for a card which
3 identifies their relationship to each other.

4 **SECTION 2.** A “legal guardian” is classified as a parent, foster parent, adoptive parent,
5 or parent who may or may not have a different name or ethnicity than the
6 child.

7 **SECTION 3.** This card will be administered by the individual state’s Departments of
8 Social and Health Services.

9 **SECTION 4.** This law will take effect within six months of passage.

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

Introduced by Auburn-Riverside High School

B

A Bill for Re-Organization of the United States Postal Service

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** In order that the United States Postal Service might continue to exist, the

3 USPS will:

4 **A.** Cease Saturday postal delivery.

5 **B.** Be given the power to raise or lower stamp prices at their own

6 discretion and need.

7 **C.** Transition to a non-union workforce.

8 **D.** Give the Postmaster General and his officers the authority to restructure

9 the Postal Service work force as needed.

10 **SECTION 2.** The restructuring of the Postal Service work force may include

11 hiring, firing, promoting, or demoting postal service workers in order to

12 promote the smooth running of the postal system.

13 **SECTION 3.** The United States Postal Service will oversee this process.

14 **SECTION 4.** This law will take effect within six months of passage.

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

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Introduced by The Bear Creek School.

A Bill to Ban Cross-Company Data Mining

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All data mining software be banned for all cross-company platforms
3 including sister companies, parent companies, and private companies.

4 **SECTION 2.** All information gathered by a company will exclude the consumer's
5 identity or personal information.

6 **SECTION 3.** Companies contracted to mine data must only share the information with
7 the companies they are contracted with and conduct new data mines with
8 separate companies who contract them or the contracted company will
9 receive a fine.

10 **SECTION 4. A.** Raw information "mined" from data must be removed from all
11 databases every 18 months.

12 **B.** Companies and institutions are allowed to gather raw information once
13 every month.

14 **SECTION 5.** This law will take effect within eight months of passage.

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

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Introduced by Chiawana High School

D

A Resolution to Make Ear-Piercing for Children Age 5 or
Under Illegal

- 1 **WHEREAS**, children under the age of 5 are unable to make the decision to receive
2 body modifications and yet children under the age of 5 are still receiving
3 ear-piercings without their consent; and
4 **WHEREAS**, body modification should be determined by an individual after reaching
5 the appropriate age to make a fully developed decision; and
6 **WHEREAS**, ear-piercings decide by parents for a child under the age of 5 should be
7 considered child abuse, and forced body modification; and
8 **WHEREAS**, it isn't acceptable, to inflict a procedure that can inflict pain and harm on
9 children without their consent; now, therefore, be it
10 **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that ear-piercing for anyone under the
11 age of 5 shall be regarded as child abuse and be discontinued.

Introduced by Coeur d'Alene High School.

A Bill Requiring Regular Driving Tests for the Elderly

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Every citizen sixty-five years old and over will be required to pass a
3 driver's test every six months to retain their license.

4 **SECTION 2.** A. If a citizen fails the test they will have their license revoked, but will
5 have the opportunity to take the test a second time. If they fail the test a
6 second time then they will have their license revoked permanently.

7 B. If they do not take their bi-annual driver's test, then they will have their
8 license revoked and will be fined as a secondary offense.

9 **SECTION 3.** The driver's tests will be funded by raising the cost of all drivers' license
10 tests by five dollars.

11 **SECTION 4.** This law will take effect six months following passage.

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

Introduced by Central Kitsap High School

A Resolution to Replace Textbooks with E-Readers

- 1 **WHEREAS**, According to the Consumer Product Safety Commission there are nearly
2 7,500 emergency room visits each year due to injuries related to
3 backpacks or book bags; and
- 4 **WHEREAS**, children commonly carry backpack loads of 22 percent of their body
5 weight; and
- 6 **WHEREAS**, concerns about back injuries has caused the American Chiropractic
7 Association to recommend that backpacks weigh no more than 10% of a
8 student's body weight; and
- 9 **WHEREAS**, the bulk of this weight is caused by heavy textbooks that are currently
10 available on CD's and therefore exist in electronic form; and
- 11 **WHEREAS**, textbooks are both heavy, expensive, easily damaged and hard to replace
12 with an edition compatible to the rest of a classroom set of books; and
- 13 **WHEREAS**, e-readers are lightweight, capable of holding thousands of books and are
14 less expensive than one semester's worth of classroom textbooks; and
- 15 **WHEREAS**, Students are currently held accountable for the loss or damage of
16 textbooks and so could be held just as accountable for the loss or damage
17 to an e-reader – the difference being that it would be cheaper to replace the
18 e-reader than it is to replace the textbooks; now, therefore, be it
- 19 **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that publishers of school textbooks make
20 these books available for download to e-readers; and
- 21 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that school districts invest in e-readers to be checked
22 out to students instead of textbooks; and
- 23 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that each semester the student will download the
24 appropriate textbooks for the classes scheduled and the prior semester's
25 textbooks will be removed from service.

G

A Bill to Increase Hydroelectric Power

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1. A.** A one-time sum of \$500,000,000 shall be reallocated from the
3 Department of Defense budget to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to
4 fund the research and construction of 250 new dams inside U.S. borders
5 within the next 10 years.

6 **B.** At least 50% of labor used to construct each of the dams in Section 1
7 must be drawn from within a 300-mile radius of the construction site.

8 **SECTION 2.** \$2,000,000 per year shall be reallocated from the budget of the
9 Department of Defense to the National Dam Safety Program to oversee
10 the safety of newly built dams.

11 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in conjunction with National Dam
12 Safety Program shall carry out this bill.

13 **SECTION 4.** This law will take effect within six months of passage.

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

Introduced by Eastside Catholic High School.

H

A Bill to Change Foreign Aid Policy

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** We will divert foreign aid from economically stable countries such as
3 China and divert the funds to the European Union.

4 **SECTION 2.** Economically stable countries include those that are industrialized such as
5 China, Canada, Russia, Brazil, India, Argentina and Mexico as well as
6 Japan and Australia.

7 **SECTION 3.** The organizations that would oversee the transfer of money would be the
8 US Congress via the House and Senate Foreign Relations committees.

9 **SECTION 4.** This law will take effect on April 10, 2013.

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

Introduced by Eisenhower High School

A Bill to Publicly Finance Federal Campaigns

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Congress use tax revenues to publicly fund qualified
3 candidates for all federal offices.

4 **SECTION 2.** To be considered a qualified candidate, he/she must have won the primary
5 for his/her party, meet the qualifications set under the Constitution, have a
6 substantial and established campaign platform, and have the support of a
7 significant number of electors through a collection of petition signatures.

8 **SECTION 3. A.** The Internal Revenue Service shall be in charge of collection through a
9 mandatory annual filing fee of \$5.00 on each federal income tax
10 submission.

11 **B.** Federal Election Commission shall be in charge of the equitable
12 distribution of funds.

13 **C.** Each state's Secretary of State will certify the candidate's
14 qualifications to receive funds.

15 **SECTION 4.** This law will take effect within six months of passage.

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

Introduced by Emerald Ridge High School

A Resolution to Amend the Fourteenth Amendment to the
Constitution of the United States of America

1 **WHEREAS**, illegal immigration is a serious problem in America; and
2 **WHEREAS**, between 12 and 20 million illegal immigrants reside in the United States;
3 and
4 **WHEREAS**, the 14th amendment that defines an American citizen as “all persons born
5 or naturalized in the United States”, provides a loophole for illegal
6 immigrants to give birth to their child on American soil; and
7 **WHEREAS**, this guarantees citizenship for the child and consequently allows illegal
8 parents to stay with their child in the United States; now, therefore, be it
9 **RESOLVED**, By two-thirds of the Congress here assembled, that the following article is
10 proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which
11 shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when
12 ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states within
13 seven years from the date of its submission by the Congress:

14 ARTICLE --

15 SECTION 1: Section 1 of the 14th Amendment of the Constitution of the
16 United States of America is amended to read, “All persons
17 born **to at least one American citizen** or naturalized
18 citizen in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction
19 thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the State
20 wherein they reside. No State shall make or enforce any
21 law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of
22 citizens of the United States; nor shall any State deprive
23 any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process
24 of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the
25 equal protection of the laws.”

K

A Resolution to Prevent Walkout Tactics

1 **WHEREAS**, at this point in time Congress can be stopped by two legislative means the
2 filibuster and the walkout; and
3 **WHEREAS**, there is no defense in Congress at this time to prevent walkout tactics; and
4 **WHEREAS**, these walkouts can stop the passing of other legislation and therefore can
5 severely decrease the effectiveness of Congress; now, therefore, be it
6 **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that representatives who are absent from
7 Congress for a period of more than ten days without an excused leave of
8 absence prior to leaving, will be put before a committee for the possibility
9 of dismissal.

Introduced by Ferris High School

A Bill to Reduce Transportation Security Administration
Security Protocols and Funding

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The Transportation Security Administration shall significantly reduce the
3 usage of backscatter x-ray devices.

4 **SECTION 2.** The Transportation Security Administration shall perform full-body pat-
5 downs only if suspicious behavior is exhibited.

6 **SECTION 3.** The Transportation Security Administration shall eliminate the strict limits
7 imposed upon liquids and gels.

8 **SECTION 4.** As a result of these reductions in security protocol, the Transportation
9 Security Administration shall be required to make expenditure cuts of no
10 less than half of their current funding.

11 **SECTION 5.** This law will take effect within one year of passage.

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

Introduced by Gig Harbor High School

M

A Resolution to Legalize Marijuana

- 1 **WHEREAS**, 60% of Americans have tried pot at least once, and have not seen any
2 serious, negative, or long term effects; and
- 3 **WHEREAS**, More than 22 million pounds of marijuana come from Mexico a year, the
4 sale of which is funding the drug cartels in Mexico, resulting in 35,000
5 deaths yearly; and
- 6 **WHEREAS**, The average price on marijuana yearly ranges from \$10 billion to \$100
7 billion; and
- 8 **WHEREAS**, The government could highly tax marijuana and earn over \$35 billion
9 dollars a year just on the tax of marijuana alone; and
- 10 **WHEREAS**, The government has spent at least \$15 billion to stop the war on drugs,
11 which could be used for other means; now, therefore, be it
- 12 **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that marijuana will be made legal in the
13 United States; and
- 14 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that marijuana be sold at any local retailer that sells
15 cigarettes.

Introduced by Gonzaga Preparatory School

N

A Bill to Regulate the Prescription of Antibiotics

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The prescription of antibiotics to patients who lack a test confirming the
3 presence of a bacterial infection is prohibited.

4 **SECTION 2.** Patients with a prescription for antibiotics must present a letter from a lab
5 confirming a positive test for the presence of bacteria to the
6 pharmacologist. Any pharmacologist who gives out antibiotics without
7 said letter shall have their license permanently revoked. The prescriptions
8 and corresponding letters shall be stored and periodic inspections by a
9 supervisor will check for any prescriptions lacking a corresponding letter,
10 and if any violations are found, the disciplinary measures stated above
11 shall be performed.

12 **SECTION 3. A.** The financial requirement of the proposed law will be the salaries of
13 the government supervisors inspecting the pharmacological records. Their
14 wages shall be paid through taxes levied against the pharmaceutical
15 companies.

16 **B.** The supervisors are to be employed by the Food and Drug
17 Administration.

18 **SECTION 4.** This law will take effect within six months of passage.

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

Introduced by Kingston High School

A Bill to Fund the Keystone Pipeline XL Project

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Additional funding of \$7,000,000,000 is allocated to complete the
3 Keystone XL Pipeline Extension Project to extend the pipeline from the
4 US Border with Alberta, Canada to refineries Port Arthur, Texas and
5 Houston, Texas.

6 **SECTION 2.** The Keystone XL project is defined by the application filed in 2009 and
7 approved by the National Energy Board of Canada in 2010.

8 **SECTION 3. A.** The US Department of Energy, House Energy and Commerce Board,
9 and House Finance and Appropriations Committee will oversee the
10 implementation of this bill.

11 **B.** The Environmental Protection Agency will monitor the project to
12 assure it is built for minimum environmental impact.

13 **SECTION 4.** This law will take effect within six months of passage.

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

Introduced by Newport High School

A Bill to Remove "In God We Trust" from National Currency

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The motto, "In God We Trust" shall cease to be put on all future prints of
3 national currency.

4 **SECTION 2.** National currency applies to all United States currency issued by our
5 central bank or monetary authority.

6 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Treasury will oversee the removal of "In
7 God We Trust" on all future prints and coins.

8 **SECTION 4.** This law will come into effect on the next printing of each coin and bill.

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

Introduced by Republic High School

Q

A Resolution to Mandate HPV Vaccinations for School-Aged Females

- 1 **WHEREAS**, there is no treatment for HPV (Human Papillomavirus), and it is the most
2 common sexually transmitted infection; and
- 3 **WHEREAS**, HPV is linked to cervical cancer, and a high-risk strain of HPV is present
4 in 99% of cases of cervical cancer; and
- 5 **WHEREAS**, there are 11,000 new cases of cervical cancer and 3,700 deaths from
6 cervical cancer in the United States annually; and
- 7 **WHEREAS**, 26% of females age 14 – 24 and 48% of females age 20 – 24 are infected
8 with HPV; and
- 9 **WHEREAS**, Gardasil is FDA-approved and vaccinates against four strains of HPV
10 including the more virulent ones; and
- 11 **WHEREAS**, on August 1, 2008, the HPV vaccine became a required vaccination for
12 young immigrant females; and
- 13 **WHEREAS**, in 2007 the District of Columbia passed a law mandating HPV
14 requirement to attend school; now, therefore, be it
- 15 **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that the HPV vaccine Gardasil be
16 required of all females entering school for the first time.

Introduced by Ridgefield High School

R

A Bill to Amend the Native American Graves and Repatriation Act

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The Native American Repatriation Act be amended to allow qualified
3 federally funded research facilities, museums, and individual scientists to
4 gain access to the respectful study of Native American cultural items.

5 **SECTION 2.** For clarification purposes the following definitions apply to terms:

6 A. “Cultural items” are defined by the current law as human remains,
7 funerary objects, sacred objects, and objects of cultural patrimony to
8 Native American Tribes.

9 B. “Qualified federally funded facilities, museums, and individual
10 scientists” are to be determined by the Secretary of the Interior.

11 C. “Scientific necessity” refers to a need for historical or paleontological
12 significance which can be only be determined by direct scientific study.

13 D. The ultimate determination as to the “scientific necessity” and
14 worthiness of this study shall rest with the Secretary of the Interior.

15 E. Since these cultural items are often considered sacred by Native
16 American Tribes, all “respectful study” methods must involve practices
17 which do not destroy, mutilate, or significantly alter items,

18 F. No study period shall exceed one year, nor shall any object be studied
19 more than once.

20 G. All “cultural items” shall be returned to the Native American Tribe
21 claiming them at the end of the study period, and that tribe shall then have
22 control of them in perpetuity.

23 **SECTION 3.** The office of the Secretary of the Interior will be responsible for
24 enforcement of all provisions of this bill as funded by Congress.

25 **SECTION 4.** This law will take effect one year after passage.

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

S

A Resolution to Propose Banning Violent Video Games for Children Younger than 10 Years Old

- 1 **WHEREAS**, rates of violent crime have been increasing since 1985; and
2 **WHEREAS**, human beings are most impressionable up until the age of 10, after which
3 the majority of synapse links between the hippocampus and prefrontal
4 cortex have already been formed; and
5 **WHEREAS**, combating violent crime should not only be focused on treating the
6 symptoms of its development in society, but the root causes as well; and
7 **WHEREAS**, video games are prevalent in contemporary American society and are even
8 highly addictive for many; and
9 **WHEREAS**, numerous cases of violent crime in recent times were influenced by
10 fantasies from violent videogames in the perpetrators childhood; and
11 **WHEREAS**, a 2009 study conducted by researchers in Texas working with the Centre
12 for European Economic Research confirmed that violence in video games
13 has been increasing since 1975; now, therefore, be it
14 **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that the use of violent videogames with a
15 rating other than E should be banned for children younger than 10 years
16 old.

Introduced by Thomas Jefferson High School

A Bill to Alter the Electoral College

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The U.S. Electoral College be altered from its current method in which the
3 winner of each state receives all of said state's votes to the system
4 currently used in Nebraska and Maine, where one vote is allocated to each
5 voting district within the state, and is thusly determined by the winner in
6 each district, not state.

7 **SECTION 2.** Voting districts will be the same districts used for electing Representatives
8 for the House of Representatives and each state will receive the same
9 amount of electoral votes that they do currently, based on the most recent
10 census.

11 **SECTION 3.** These changes will be overseen by the U.S. Federal Election Commission.

12 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will become effective after its passage, beginning with the
13 first election in 2013 or later.

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

Introduced by Union High School

U

A Bill to Abolish the Bush Tax Cuts

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The \$1.6 trillion package of tax cuts signed into law by President George
3 W. Bush in 2001 shall be revoked and shall be terminated effective
4 December 31, 2012.

5 **SECTION 2.** This transition will be carried out by the Department of the Treasury and
6 the Internal Revenue Service.

7 **SECTION 3.** This law will take effect December 31, 2012

8 **SECTION 4.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced by University High School

A Resolution to Adopt English as the Official Language of
the United States

- 1 **WHEREAS**, According to the 2000 US Census, 82.1 percent of Americans speak
2 English; and
- 3 **WHEREAS**, The primary language used in public schools is English; and
- 4 **WHEREAS**, Communication between the majority of students in the US is through the
5 English language; and
- 6 **WHEREAS**, the government will save money on publication fees, printing, and
7 document translations; and
- 8 **WHEREAS**, adopting the English language will promote the learning of English by non
9 English speakers; now, therefore, be it
- 10 **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that the Government of the United States
11 shall preserve and enhance the role of English as the official language of
12 the United States of America; and
- 13 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that, unless specifically stated in applicable law, no
14 person has a right, entitlement, or claim to have the Government of the
15 United States or any of its officials or representatives act, communicate,
16 perform or provide services, or provide materials in any language other
17 than English; and
- 18 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that if exceptions are made, they do not create a legal
19 entitlement to additional services in that language or any language other
20 than English.

Introduced by W. F. West High School

W

A Resolution to Actively Pursue “Anonymous”

- 1 **WHEREAS**, the Internet group known as “Anonymous” has, since 2003, engaged
2 active civil disobedience, existing as an anarchic Internet entity; and
- 3 **WHEREAS**, “Anonymous” has launched Distributed Denial of Service (DDOS) attacks
4 against such prominent sites as Habbo, Facebook, CNN, and Amazon; and
- 5 **WHEREAS**, such attacks on the Sony Playstation network cost roughly \$171 million;
6 and
- 7 **WHEREAS**, on several occasions, “Anonymous” has hacked the databases of
8 companies like Bank of America, HB Gary, and Sony in order to obtain
9 private user information with the intent to disseminate it to the public; and
- 10 **WHEREAS**, these attacks constitute a significant threat to the privacy, safety, and
11 security of the American public; and
- 12 **WHEREAS**, attacks are damaging an already unstable American economy; now,
13 therefore, be it
- 14 **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that the United States officially declare
15 the group known as “Anonymous” to be a terrorist organization; and
- 16 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the FBI be tasked to investigate all activities by
17 “Anonymous” and explore counter-terrorism actions against them with the
18 intent to capture and prosecute prominent members of the group.

Introduced by WSFA

A Resolution to Give Voting Rights to Citizens of the US
Territories

1 **WHEREAS**, American citizens living in territories and commonwealths of the United
2 States of America do not have voting representatives in Congress or
3 representation in the electoral college; and

4 **WHEREAS**, between the same citizens receive federal funding for social security,
5 education, and public projects; now, therefore, be it

6 **RESOLVED**, By two-thirds of the Congress here assembled, that the following article is
7 proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which
8 shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when
9 ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states within
10 seven years from the date of its submission by the Congress:

11 **ARTICLE --**

12 **SECTION 1:** The Territories and Commonwealths of the United States of
13 America shall receive an apportionment of seats in the
14 House of Representatives and Electoral College based on
15 their population. Territories and Commonwealths will
16 receive no representation in the Senate until such time as
17 they enter the Union as a State.

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19 **SECTION 2:** The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by
20 appropriate legislation.

A Resolution to Advocate the Pursuit of Multilateral Action in Future Humanitarian Military Interventions

1 **WHEREAS**, the recent NATO-led military operation to maintain a no-fly zone over
2 Libya to support Libyan rebels oust Muhammad Gaddafi displayed the
3 effectiveness of a united coalition of multiple nations (NATO in this case)
4 in achieving military objectives; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the United States chose to “lead from behind” resulting in military success
6 with zero casualties sustained and with considerably less effort in
7 coordinating and executing a military operation in comparison to a
8 unilateral approach to the intervention in Libya; and

9 **WHEREAS**, our NATO allies proved themselves as capable and competent military
10 forces capable of winning wars without the United States having to do all
11 the heavy lifting; and

12 **WHEREAS**, with NATO handling Libya, the United States has the freedom to
13 disengage from the intervention after major hostilities have ceased; and

14 **WHEREAS**, poor state of America's economy and our stifling trillions of dollars in debt
15 makes it fiscally irresponsible to launch a costly war that a unilateral
16 approach would incur; and

17 **WHEREAS**, having our allies contribute their own forces would significantly reduce
18 the required expenses of waging war in comparison to fighting alone; and

19 **WHEREAS**, engaging in wars not directly crucial to our national security should not
20 overtly drain our “blood and treasure”; now, therefore, be it

21 **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that in the case of future humanitarian
22 military interventions, the United States should seek to take a multilateral
23 approach and operate cooperatively with our allies and take more of a
24 supporting role than an executive role in wars such as the NATO
25 operation in Libya that is not directly crucial to the defense of our nation.

A Bill to Disestablish Zoos in Washington, Idaho and Oregon.

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All zoos in the States of Washington, Idaho and Oregon are banned.

3 **SECTION 2.** Owners will be compensated for loss of property at a rate of \$20,000 per
4 animal released back into its natural habitat or into a animal rehabilitation
5 institution intended to set the animal up to be released. The staff of these
6 zoos will be inserted into the public sector working at an animal
7 rehabilitation institution built upon the ground of the former zoo.

8 **SECTION 3.** The institution's transition will be funded up to \$4 million dollars at the
9 State level based on the size of the community served by the zoo. Up to
10 an additional \$5 million may be provided by the community. \$1 million
11 will be made available for occupational training in animal rehabilitation or
12 re-training for a new occupation in vocational schools.

13 **SECTION 4.** The state funding would be covered by an increase of five dollars for all
14 vehicle tab registrations and an additional 10% increase on emissions
15 checks.

16 **SECTION 5.** Those not in compliance by January 1, 2014 will have their zoological
17 property confiscated and dissolved in the manner described above but
18 without compensation.

19 **SECTION 6.** After December 31, 2014 all rehab institutions will be funded by a
20 continuation of the increase to car tabs and emission checks.

21 **SECTION 7.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced by WSFA

A Resolution to Encourage Organ Donation

- 1 **WHEREAS**, the number of people needing an organ transplant continues to rise faster
2 that the number of donors; and
- 3 **WHEREAS**, the 18 people die each day waiting for transplants that can't take place
4 because of the shortage of donated organs; and
- 5 **WHEREAS**, there are now more than 100,000 people on the organ transplant waiting
6 list; and
- 7 **WHEREAS**, an organ donation greatly upgrades the quality of life of the recipient; and
- 8 **WHEREAS**, it is, and should be, illegal to buy and sell human organs; now, therefore,
9 be it
- 10 **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that a \$10,000 tax exemption shall be
11 granted to the person having power of attorney who signs the form
12 allowing the harvesting and donation of all viable organs from a body that
13 meets medical standards.

Introduced by WSFA

Super Congress

The following legislation is designated Super Congress legislation. It may be used ONLY in Super Congress sessions or at tournaments where there will be no Super Congress Session.

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Prohibit Taxation
of Disenfranchised Persons

1 **BE IT RESOLVED**, By two-thirds of the Congress here assembled, that the following
2 article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United
3 States, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the
4 Constitution when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the
5 several states within seven years from the date of its submission by the
6 Congress:

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ARTICLE –

10 SECTION 1: The implementation of taxes by any governing body within
11 the United States, including but not limited to, the U.S.
12 Congress, on any person residing in the United States who
13 is disenfranchised for any reason shall be prohibited.

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SECTION 2: The term “person(s)” for purposes of this amendment and
any implementing legislation shall refer to natural born
human persons and shall specifically exclude corporations
and other business or political entities.

20 SECTION 3: The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by
21 appropriate legislation.

Introduced by WSFA

A Bill to Limit the Power of Eminent Domain

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The power of Eminent Domain be limited solely to State or Local
3 governmental takings of private property strictly for the purpose of public
4 works projects. The power of Eminent Domain shall no longer be used to
5 take private property for economic development of privately-owned
6 businesses.

7 **SECTION 2.** “Public works projects” are projects such as transportation, waste
8 management, and dams financed by public funds and constructed by a
9 government for the benefit or use of the general public.

10 **SECTION 3.** This legislation will be overseen by local and state courts.

11 **SECTION 4.** This law will take effect within six months of passage.

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

Introduced by WSFA

A Bill to Create the State of New Columbia

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The District of Columbia was created on July 16, 1790 to ensure that the
3 federal government would always have a neutral place to meet.

4 **SECTION 2.** The 600000 residents of the District of Columbia have no voice in
5 Congress even they have a larger population than some states. They have
6 had limited representation since 1973, but they have no representatives or
7 senators. After passed the State of New Columbia will have no more
8 control over the District of Columbia than any other state.

9 **SECTION 3. A.** The newly formed state will adopt its white flag with two red
10 horizontal bars and three red stars above that as their state flag.

11 **B.** The newly formed state will adopt its motto *Justitia Omnibus*, justice
12 for all, as its state motto.

13 **C.** The newly formed state will take on its poetic name *New Colombia* as
14 not to cause confusion with other states.

15 **D.** A portion of the District of Columbia will remain as the national
16 capital. This portion shall include the principal Federal monuments, the
17 National Mall, the White House, the Capital Building, the United States
18 Supreme Court Building, all of the Federal executive, legislative and
19 judicial office buildings near the National Mall and the Capital Building,
20 and all other federally owned buildings. This District will not be governed
21 or taxed by the State of New Columbia, but will comply with Article 1,
22 Section 8 of the US Constitution.

23 **SECTION 4.** This law will take effect within six months of passage.

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

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A Bill to Remove Unilateral Sanctions

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All unilateral sanctions currently in use by the United States government
3 will be hereby declared null and void.

4 **SECTION 2.** “Unilateral sanctions” are defined as diplomatic, military, economic, or
5 sports sanctions have not been bilaterally ratified by another country,
6 international organization or non-governmental corporation.

7 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Department of State will implement and carry out enforcement
8 of the bill.

9 **SECTION 4.** This law will take effect within six months of passage.

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

Introduced by WSFA

A Bill to Fund Ambien and Zolpidem Research Concerning
People in a "Vegetative" State

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Government shall reallocate 25 billion dollars out of the
3 Department of Defense budget to be allocated to various medical
4 institutions for the specific purpose of researching the affects of Ambien
5 and Zolpidem on human beings in a "vegetative" state. A further 25
6 billion dollars shall be allocated from the Congressional Budget Office.

7 **SECTION 2.** A. Human beings in a vegetative state shall be defined as someone in a
8 coma; a coma is a state in which the cortex or higher brain areas of a
9 person are damaged resulting in loss of consciousness, inability to be
10 roused, and unresponsiveness to pain, sound, touch and light.

11 B. Medical Institutions shall be selected as follows: Mayo Clinic,
12 University of Washington, John Hopkins, Harvard University, University
13 of Pennsylvania, Stanford University and Columbia University.

14 **SECTION 3.** The Congressional Budget Office shall oversee the implementation of this
15 bill.

16 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall be implemented July 1st, 2012.

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

Introduced by WSFA

Resolution to Change the Content of US Public School
Government Courses

1 **WHEREAS**, most students as they become adults are ignorant of the world outside their
2 own town, let alone outside the United States; and

3 **WHEREAS**, in order to make effective change in the government of the United States,
4 adults must be aware of other options as implemented around the world;
5 and

6 **WHEREAS**, a lack of knowledge about International politics causes US citizens to
7 become isolated from world events; and

8 **WHEREAS**, the current Government courses as taught in US Public Schools repeat the
9 information presented in US History courses; now, therefore, be it

10 **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that the content of current Government
11 courses taught in United States' Public Schools be changed from an
12 introspective approach which repeats the information presented in US
13 History classes to an international approach that encourages students to
14 see themselves as citizens of the world.

Introduced by WSFA

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A Resolution to Remove the ETA from the Foreign Terrorist
Organizations List

1 **WHEREAS**, the ETA (Basque Fatherland and Liberty) has vowed to end armed activity
2 as a means of achieving independence; and
3 **WHEREAS**, a terrorist organization is defined as such only if it is violent; and
4 **WHEREAS**, since the ETA is no longer violent, it no longer falls under the definition
5 of a Foreign Terrorist Organization; now, therefore, be it
6 **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that the Basque Fatherland and Liberty
7 (ETA) be removed from the U.S. Foreign Terrorist Organizations List; and
8 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the European Union and other European
9 Governments be urged to remove the Basque Fatherland and Liberty
10 (ETA) from their Terrorist Organizations List or equivalent lists.

Introduced by WSFA

Table of Frequently Used Parliamentary Motions							
Type	Motion	Purpose	Second Required?	Debatable?	Amendable?	Required Vote	May Interrupt?
Privileged	24. Fix time for reassembling	To arrange time of next meeting	Yes	Yes-T	Yes-T	Majority	Yes
	23. Adjourn	To dismiss the meeting	Yes	No	Yes-T	Majority	No
	22. Recess	To dismiss the meeting for a specific length of time	Yes	Yes	Yes-T	Majority	No
	21. Rise to a question of privilege	To make a personal request during debate	No	No	No	Decision of the Chair	Yes
	20. Call for orders of the day	To force consideration of a postponed motion	No	No	No	Decision of the Chair	Yes
Incidental	19. Appeal a decision of the chair	To reverse a decision	Yes	No	No	Majority	Yes
	18. Rise to a point of order or parliamentary procedure	To correct a parliamentary error or ask a question	No	No	No	Decision of the Chair	Yes
	17. Division of the chamber	To verify a voice vote	No	No	No	Decision of the Chair	Yes
	16. Object to the consideration of a question	To suppress action	No	No	No	2/3	Yes
	15. Divide a motion	To consider its parts separately	Yes	No	Yes	Majority	No
	14. Leave to modify or withdraw a motion	To modify or withdraw a motion	No	No	No	Majority	No
	13. Suspend the rules	To take action contrary to standing rules	Yes	No	No	2/3	No
Subsidiary	12. Rescind	To repeal previous action	Yes	Yes	Yes	2/3	No
	11. Reconsider	To consider a defeated motion again	Yes	Yes	No	Majority	No
	10. Take from the table	To consider tabled motion	Yes	No	No	Majority	No
	9. Lay on the table	To defer action	Yes	No	No	Majority	No
	8. Previous question	To force an immediate vote	Yes	No	No	2/3	No
	7. Limit or extend debate	To modify freedom of debate	Yes	Yes	Yes-T	2/3	No
	6. Postpone to a certain time	To defer action	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority	Yes
	5. Refer to a committee *	For further study	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority	Yes
	4. Amend an amendment °	To modify an amendment	1/3	Yes	No	Majority	No
	3. Amend °	To modify a motion	1/3	Yes	Yes	Majority	No
	2. Postpone indefinitely	To suppress action	Yes	Yes	No	Majority	No
Main	1. Main motion	To introduce a business	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority	No

* No. 5 should include:

1. How appointed
2. The number
3. Report when or to what standing committee

T = Time

° Nos. 3 and 4 by:

1. Adding (inserting)
2. Striking (deleting)
3. Substituting