

## **A Bill to Ban Privatization of Prisons**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The Bureau of Prisons shall be prohibited from contracting with, or  
3 utilizing services provided by, a private prison or any corporation  
4 engaged in the private prison industry.

5 **SECTION 2.** A “private prison” is considered an institution that is owned or operated  
6 by a non-government entity.

7 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice will be responsible for overseeing the closure  
8 of all privatized prisons, the divesting of all contracts with private prison  
9 corporations, and the opening of all new prisons.

10 **SECTION 4.** The Department of Justice will have 15 years to complete the closure of  
11 all privatized prisons from the date this bill is passed.

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

## **A Bill to Create a National Mentoring Program for Students of Color**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** This bill shall create and implement a national mentoring program for  
3 colleges and universities for students of color.

4 **SECTION 2.** “Mentoring program” shall be defined as a guidance system for students  
5 at colleges and universities in the United States. “Colleges and  
6 universities” shall be defined as institutions where a student can achieve  
7 an Associates, Bachelors, and/or Graduate degree.

8 **SECTION 3.** The enforcement shall be through the Department of Education.

9 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be implemented immediately.

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

## **A Bill to Ease Gentrification**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The Long-Term Home Ownership Tax Credit is hereby established. Any  
3 U.S. citizen who is a racial or ethnic minority who has lived in their home  
4 for more than five consecutive years will be eligible to apply. This tax  
5 credit will cover 100% of costs for increases in local, state, and federal  
6 taxes on their home compared to the tax cost from five years after  
7 purchasing or mortgaging the home, scaled for inflation. This tax credit  
8 will be a write off for income tax, but will be equal in value to the  
9 increase in property taxes scaled for inflation.

10 **SECTION 2.** A “racial or ethnic minority” shall be defined as a culturally, ethnically, or  
11 racially distinct group from the majority, which currently in the U.S. is  
12 Caucasian. Additionally, people who have inherited the home shall inherit  
13 the tax credit as long as the person who passed it down to them qualified  
14 for it.

15 **SECTION 3.** The Internal Revenue Service and US Department of Housing and Urban  
16 Development shall oversee the implementation of this legislation.

17 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be taken into effect starting in Fiscal Year 2019.

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

## **A Bill to Disarm Patrol Officers**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** This bill shall prohibit patrol officers from carrying and/or using a firearm.

3 **SECTION 2.** “Patrol officers” shall be defined as police officers who are assigned to a  
4 specific geographic area, also known as a “beat cop.” The term “firearm”  
5 is defined as a rifle, pistol, or any other portable gun.

6 **SECTION 3.** The enforcement will be through the Department of Justice.

7 A. If a state or local law enforcement agency does not abide by this law,  
8 they will lose all federal funding for law enforcement.

9 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be implemented immediately.

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

## **A Bill to Instill a Maximum Cost of College Attendance**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All public colleges will institute a ceiling on the cost of attendance of

3 \$30,000 per year.

4 **SECTION 2.** Cost of attendance includes, tuition, fees, room and board.

5 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Education will oversee the implementation of this bill.

6 A. Schools which fail to adhere to this ceiling shall not receive Federal

7 loans or grants.

8 **SECTION 4.** Implementation of the bill will begin at the commencement of the 2018-

9 2019 academic year.

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

## **A Bill to Pay Reparations to African Americans**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States government will pay financial reparations of \$100  
3 billion to African Americans for the historical injustices that have  
4 occurred in our society.

5 **SECTION 2.** African Americans eligible for these reparations shall be those who can  
6 trace their genealogy to the continent of Africa, or who can demonstrate  
7 that their ancestors were slaves, or would have been endangered by the  
8 Fugitive Slave Act.

9 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice will oversee the process for determining the  
10 individuals eligible for financial reparations.

11 A. The \$100 billion will be distributed evenly to all eligible members.

12 B. The \$100 billion will be issued as tax credits, and shall be  
13 administered by the Internal Revenue Service.

14 **SECTION 4.** The Department of Justice will open the process for determining  
15 eligibility one year after passage of this legislation. Distribution of tax  
16 credits should be processed for the tax year following the identification  
17 of eligible individuals.

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

## **A Bill to Remove the Confederacy from the U.S. Military**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All properties of the U.S. Departments of Defense and Education named  
3 after confederate officers must change their name to a non-confederate  
4 person or place. All to whom this law applies that do not comply with the  
5 change shall lose 25% of their federal funding.

6 **SECTION 2.** “All properties of the U.S. Departments of Defense and Education” refers  
7 to all military and academy dorms, military bases, warships, and forts,  
8 and all public universities and dorm buildings.

9 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Department of Education and the U.S. Department of Defense  
10 shall oversee the implementation of this legislation.

11 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall be implemented immediately upon passage.

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

## **A Bill to Require Cultural Competence Training for Medical Schools**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All medical schools receiving federal funding will be required to provide  
3 cultural competence training to all students. This training must occur at  
4 least once during a medical program. All training must be reviewed by  
5 the Department of Health and Human Services to ensure compliance.

6 **SECTION 2.** Cultural competence training will cover implicit bias and communication  
7 strategies designed to provide all medical students with an understanding  
8 of how to better serve those from all ethnic and racial backgrounds.

9 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Health and Human Services will work with the  
10 Department of Education to implement this legislation.

11 A. The Department of Health and Human Services will ensure the  
12 content of the training is effective.

13 B. The Department of Education will oversee the implementation and  
14 evaluation of the program. Any school found not in compliance may  
15 lose access to federal funding until such time as they become  
16 compliant with Section 1.

17 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect two years after passage.

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



## **A Resolution to Assist in Controlling Drug Addiction and Assist in Recovery**

- 1 **WHEREAS,** Overdoses from heroin, prescription drugs, and opioid pain relievers last  
2 year surpassed car accidents as the leading cause of injury-related death  
3 in America, according to the Centers for Disease Control; and
- 4 **WHEREAS,** Deaths have reached their highest levels of the 21st century in 2014, the  
5 most recent year for which data is available, according to the National  
6 Institute on Drug Abuse; and
- 7 **WHEREAS,** Heroin overdoses have more than tripled in the last five years; now,  
8 therefore, be it
- 9 **RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled that (1) The United States shall improve  
10 prescription drug monitoring programs to help states monitor and track  
11 prescription drug diversion and to help at-risk individuals access services,  
12 because inefficiencies and loopholes. (2) The United States shall improve  
13 prescription drug monitoring programs to help states monitor and track  
14 prescription drug diversion and to help at-risk individuals access services,  
15 because inefficiencies and loopholes. (3) Shift resources towards  
16 identifying and treating incarcerated people who are suffering from  
17 addiction, rather than just punishment as is often the case currently. (4)  
18 Prohibit the Department of Education from including questions about the  
19 conviction of an applicant for the possession or sale of illegal drugs on  
20 the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) financial aid form.

## **A Resolution to Oppose Oppressive Voter ID Laws**

- 1   **WHEREAS,**   Voter ID Laws are used in many states to restrict the right to vote “to  
2                   those who can show appropriate picture identification”; and
- 3   **WHEREAS,**   This identification can often be difficult or expensive to obtain; and
- 4   **WHEREAS,**   Those impacted by these laws are disproportionately people of color; and
- 5   **WHEREAS,**   These laws limit the ability of all people to participate in the democratic  
6                   process; and
- 7   **WHEREAS,**   A democracy is supposed to be a government for, by, and of the people;  
8                   and
- 9   **WHEREAS,**   Representation cannot effectively occur if individuals are unjustly  
10                  silenced; now, therefore, be it
- 11   **RESOLVED,**   By the Congress here assembled that we reject all oppressive voter  
12                  identification laws in the United States.