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# 2021 PRELIMINARY ROUNDS LEGISLATION

A Bill to School America

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1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 SECTION 1. Every American citizen who obtains a high school diploma or GED will become  
3 eligible to receive a full tuition waiver to attend a community college, junior  
4 college, or career technical school in the United States.

5 SECTION 2. "Community college or junior college" is defined as any educational institution  
6 approved by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges  
7 (ACCJC).

8 SECTION 3. The Department of Education will provide enforcement and allocate \$60 billion  
9 in funding. Funding will be provided on a per student basis.

10 A. Only full-time students enrolled in 12 credit hours or more will be eligible  
11 to receive a waiver.

12 B. Any student that drops out or is expelled from their institution will be  
13 ineligible to apply for a tuition waiver.

14 SECTION 4. Implementation will start at the beginning of the 2022-2023 school year.  
15 Funding will expire at the conclusion of the 2025-2026 school year.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Kansas-Flint Hills District.*

**The NERF Act of 2021****The NERF Act of 2021**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The NERF Act of 2021, or National Electrification of Railway Freight Act of  
3 2021, upon passage will allow Congress to formally direct the federal  
4 government in distribution of tax incentives to private railroad companies  
5 which own diesel-run freight railways, and to implement increased  
6 regulations to pressure private railway owners to electrify their train  
7 fleets which travel along said freight railways. These tax incentives and  
8 regulatory pressure will not have any impact on private passenger  
9 railways or government railway projects.

10 **SECTION 2.** “Freight railways” will be defined as any private railway carrying cargo as  
11 opposed to human passengers.

12 **SECTION 3.** All electric locomotives are exempt from property and sales taxes from  
13 the date of passage of this legislation. Electrified rail lines will also be  
14 exempt from property taxes. Any costs directly associated with the  
15 upgrade of railroad tracks to electric shall be deducted from the  
16 corporation’s taxes.

17 **SECTION 4.** By the date of passage of this Act, no train corporation shall be allowed  
18 to own or sell trains that output more than 15 grams of CO2 per ton-mile.  
19 Any corporation that does not follow this limit will be fined one-half the  
20 sale value of each offending train sold, or one-half the purchase price of  
21 each owned offending train per year of noncompliance.

22 **SECTION 5.** The United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) and Federal  
23 Railroad Administration will be responsible for the implementation of this  
24 legislation.

25 **SECTION 6.** This legislation will take effect on November 1, 2021. All laws in conflict  
26 with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Show-Me District.*

The Rebuke Abuses in Myanmar Act (RAMA)

# The Rebuke Abuses in Myanmar Act (RAMA)

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:  
2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall impose the following:  
3 A. The US Embassy in Myanmar shall evacuate and halts any ongoing  
4 assignment. The President can choose to appoint a Charge d’Affaires  
5 in place of the ambassador.  
6 B. The Department of Treasury in conjunction with the Department of  
7 State shall impose economic and diplomatic sanctions on Myanmar  
8 That they deem fit.  
9 C. The United States Government will formally recognize the ongoing  
10 Violence against the Rohingya people as a “genocide”.  
11 **SECTION 2.** The measures in Section 1 will be in place until the military has  
12 Relinquished power back to the democratic government elected by the  
13 people and the genocide against the Rohingya people has been halted.  
14 The Department of State must determine both conditions in this section  
15 have been met beyond a reasonable doubt.  
16 **SECTION 3.** The Department of State, Department of Defense, and Department of  
17 Treasury shall oversee and enforce this legislation.  
18 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect one week after its passage. All laws in  
19 conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the West Iowa District.*

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Secure an Independent Judiciary

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Secure an Independent Judiciary

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

ARTICLE --

7 SECTION 1: The judicial Power of the United States, shall be vested in
8 one supreme Court, and in such inferior Courts as the
9 Congress may from time to time ordain and establish. The
10 Judges, both of the supreme and inferior Courts, shall hold
11 their Offices for a term that lasts no more than 4 years at
12 which time they may be reappointed by the President and
13 confirmed by the Senate. A single judge may not serve for
14 more than three consecutive terms.

15 SECTION 2: All judges currently seated to a federal court will not be
16 impacted by this change. Any federal judge appointed and
17 confirmed following the ratification of this amendment
18 will be eligible to be seated in the first year of a given
19 Congress. Any vacancies in the second year of a given
20 Congress will remain vacant until the next Congress is
21 seated.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Greater Illinois District.



A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to End the Power to Presidentially Pardon

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4 when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states  
5 within seven years from the date of its submission by the Congress:

6 **ARTICLE --**

7 **SECTION 1:** The President of the United States shall not possess the  
8 power to grant pardons or reprieves to any individual.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the North Coast District.*

A Resolution to Abolish Charter Schools

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1 **WHEREAS,** Charter schools are negatively affecting the educational quality of all  
 2 students; and  
 3 **WHEREAS,** Charter schools operate independently of the government, with few  
 4 regulations, while still accepting government funding; and  
 5 **WHEREAS,** Financial motives encourage charter schools to prey on students; and  
 6 **WHEREAS,** To reduce the financial burden created by charter schools, public schools  
 7 are forced to cut budgets, reduce salaries, eliminate classes, and close;  
 8 and  
 9 **WHEREAS,** Attempts to reform charter schools in the past have failed; and  
 10 **WHEREAS,** Charter schools have had a negligible effect on overall academic  
 11 performance at best, while harming the schools around them; now,  
 12 therefore, be it  
 13 **RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled that a Department of Education  
 14 commission be established to create a plan to effectively abolish charter  
 15 schools by the 2025-2026 school year.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Northern Ohio District.*

A Resolution to Fund Offshore Wind Industry

**A Resolution to Fund Offshore Wind Industry**

1 **WHEREAS,** The United States has a large offshore wind energy resource that is ready  
2 to be utilized; and  
3 **WHEREAS,** US shores currently possess a power potential of over 2000 gigawatts or  
4 nearly double the nation’s current electricity usage and will be able to  
5 generate electricity for more than 115 million US households; and  
6 **WHEREAS,** Offshore wind energy has the potential to deliver large amounts of clean  
7 reliable energy and reduce pollution oil spills; and  
8 **WHEREAS,** Funding this industry will result in more than 200,000 jobs being created  
9 which is about twice the number of jobs being created by other sources  
10 of energy such as offshore drilling; and  
11 **WHEREAS,** Offshore wind energy will also help create more jobs in the shipbuilding  
12 and manufacturing industry further fueling the US economy; and  
13 **WHEREAS,** Wildlife and marine ecosystems are positively impacted by offshore wind  
14 farms due to the fact that they act as effective marine reserves; and  
15 **WHEREAS,** Wind farms can act as artificial reefs and protection from fishing  
16 pressures creating extremely positive effects; now, therefore, be it  
17 **RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled that the United States shall fund the  
18 offshore wind industry to create clean energy.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the East Los Angeles District.*

A Bill to Ensure Genetic Privacy

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1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 SECTION 1. Any organization (governmental or otherwise) must have specific consent  
3 (renewed at the most every fifteen years) from the relevant living citizen  
4 for such organization to hold any more than sixty percent of that  
5 individual’s consecutive genetic code for longer than sixty days.

6 SECTION 2. Genetic code will be defined as “the human genome, one that is specific  
7 to one individual, living, human person.” Organization will be defined as  
8 “any group or individual capable of procuring or storing genetic  
9 information, including but not limited to government groups, corporate  
10 groups, healthcare professionals, or citizens.”

11 SECTION 3. The nonprofit legal group LawSeq will compile and locate violations, using  
12 \$18 million in grants from the US Department of Health and Human  
13 Services via the National Institute of Health. Then, based on the severity  
14 and repetition of violations, punishments shall be determined by the  
15 Department of Health and Human service’s ethics council. These  
16 punishments may include:

- 17 A. If the violating organization is a healthcare professional or group  
18 thereof, revocation of federal medical licensure and/or a fine of up to  
19 \$10,000 per offense.
- 20 B. If the violating organization is a government group, loss of HHS or NIH  
21 funding as well as an encouraged penalty via the state department of  
22 the relevant state.
- 23 C. If the violating organization is a corporate group, revocation of  
24 business licensure and/or a fine of up to \$12,000 per offense but will  
25 never result in jail time.

26 SECTION 4. This legislation will be effective two years after its passage. All laws in  
27 conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Magnolia District.*

The Health Care Reimbursement Reformation Act

The Health Care Reimbursement Reformation Act

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 SECTION 1. National Health Insurance programs shall not negotiate provider  
3 reimbursement rates below the total cost of the services rendered to a  
4 beneficiary/enrollee, to ensure providers are not operating at a loss  
5 when servicing these patients.

6 SECTION 2. The total cost of services shall be defined as the expenses incurred by  
7 providers to render the care, which include but are not limited to costs  
8 associated with personnel, medication, equipment, and technology.

9 A. National Health Insurance Programs shall be defined as Medicare,  
10 Medicaid, and the Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP).

11 B. Provider shall carry the same definition that it maintains under 42 CFR  
12 § 400.202 for Medicare, 42 CFR § 400.203 for Medicaid, and 42 CFR §  
13 457.10 for CHIP. Beneficiaries and enrollees will be defined in  
14 accordance to 42 CFR § 400.200 and 42 CFR § 457.10 respectively

15 SECTION 3. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) shall be  
16 responsible for implementing this legislation.

17 A. The US Department of Treasury shall make available all necessary  
18 funds to the Medicare, Medicaid, and CHIP programs to implement  
19 this legislation.

20 B. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) shall be  
21 responsible for implementing this legislation.

22 SECTION 4. This legislation will take effect on FY 2022.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Florida Manatee District.*

## A Bill to Promote Transparency and Welfare in the Immigration System

# A Bill to Promote Transparency and Welfare in the Immigration System

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** This bill will take the following measures to promote transparency and  
3 better the welfare of immigrants in the U.S. immigration system. The  
4 press, watchdog groups, humanitarian organizations, or any other  
5 reporting agency will have unrestricted, access to all immigration  
6 detention centers in the U.S.

7 A. \$50 million will be allocated to ICE to fully supply immigrants with  
8 masks, proper sanitation, and other COVID-19 provisions.

9 B. \$750 million (\$150 million per year over five years) will be granted to  
10 ICE for an increased focus on overstayed visas.

11 C. \$250 million will be granted to ICE for the construction of new  
12 immigration detention centers and the maintenance of existing  
13 detention centers.

14 D. 1 billion dollars shall be allocated to immigration courts to hire more  
15 judges and lawyers, and to maintain facilities.

16 **SECTION 2.** ICE is defined as Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

17 **SECTION 3.** ICE and the Department of Justice shall oversee the implementation of  
18 this legislation.

19 A. ICE shall oversee the enforcement of Sections 1B, 1C, and 1D.

20 B. The Department of Justice will direct the implementation of Sections  
21 1A and 1E.

22 **SECTION 4.** Section 1A and 1B of this legislation shall go into effect immediately,  
23 while all other allocations shall go into effect on October 1, 2021. All laws  
24 in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Florida Panther District.*

**A Resolution to Encourage States to Adopt Right to Work Policies****A Resolution to Encourage States to Adopt  
Right to Work Policies**

- 1   **WHEREAS,**   The current unionization system limits worker autonomy since the  
2                   “solidarity” aspect of unions forces workers who would not otherwise be  
3                   inclined to join a union to do so; and
- 4   **WHEREAS,**   The payment of union dues disproportionately affects low-income  
5                   workers; and
- 6   **WHEREAS,**   States in which union membership is optional are shown to have  
7                   increases in self-reported and future life satisfaction of workers as well as  
8                   current and future economic well-being of workers; and
- 9   **WHEREAS,**   States in which union membership is optional are shown to have  
10                  increased employment opportunities; now, therefore, be it
- 11 **RESOLVED,**   That the Congress here assembled encourages states to adopt right to  
12                  work policies making union membership optional in both the public and  
13                  private sectors.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Carolina West District.*

A Bill to Increase the Federal Minimum Wage to Benefit American Workers

## A Bill to Increase the Federal Minimum Wage to Benefit American Workers

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The federal minimum wage will steadily increase up to \$15 per hour for  
3 covered nonexempt employees working in the United States of America.

4 The minimum wage will henceforth be indexed to inflation using the  
5 Consumer Price Index (CPI).

6 **SECTION 2.** Steadily increase shall be defined as an increase to the federal minimum  
7 wage of \$0.75 in the first fiscal year, followed by a \$1 increase every  
8 subsequent year until the minimum wage is \$15.

9 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Labor shall oversee the implementation  
10 of this legislation.

11 A. The Bureau of Labor Statistics shall be responsible for determining  
12 the Consumer Price Index used for indexing the minimum wage to  
13 inflation.

14 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go into effect in the fiscal year 2022. All laws in  
15 conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Virginia District.*



**A Bill To Mandate Every State In The United States To Prohibit Judges From Sentencing Juvenile Offenders As Adults**

**A Bill To Mandate Every State In The United States To Prohibit  
Judges From Sentencing Juvenile Offenders As Adults**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Judges are hereby prohibited to sentence anyone who is a minor as an adult.

3 Those minors already sentenced as an adult shall be granted a resentencing  
4 hearing.

5 **SECTION 2.** Minors are defined as any individual under the legal age of 18. All states  
6 independently decide at what age people are sentenced as an “adult” in  
7 their respective state.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Federal Bureau of Prisons shall oversee the implementation of this  
9 legislation.

10 **SECTION 4.** This Legislation will go into effect November 1, 2021. All laws in conflict  
11 with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Rocky Mountain South District.*

A Bill to End Gerrymandering

## A Bill to End Gerrymandering

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Independent Redistricting Commissions shall hereby be in charge of all  
3 redistricting procedures in all 50 states.

4 **SECTION 2.** Independent Redistricting Commission shall be defined as a body of  
5 non-partisan members that are in charge of drafting congressional  
6 districts.

7 **SECTION 3.** The election officials in each state shall oversee the implementation of  
8 this bill.

9 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall be enacted after the completion of the 2030 Census.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Northern Lights District.*

## A Bill to End the War on Drugs

# A Bill to End the War on Drugs

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The use of any drug, regardless of schedule, shall be decriminalized.  
3 Marijuana shall be legalized medicinally for those above the age of 16  
4 and recreationally for those above the age of 21, and any non-violent  
5 drug offender shall be immediately exonerated. Drug addiction shall be  
6 classified as a mental health issue. Any drug currently requiring a  
7 prescription will still require one.

8 **SECTION 2.** (A) Decriminalized is defined as ceasing to treat (something) as illegal or  
9 as a criminal offense. This does not mean those drugs will be available for  
10 the public to purchase.

11 (B) Legalized is defined as permitted under law, available for public  
12 purchase.

13 (C) Medicinally is defined as used for medical purposes, prescribed by a  
14 licensed physician.

15 (D) Exonerated is defined as absolving from blame for a fault or  
16 wrongdoing and subsequently releasing from prison.

17 (E) Non-violent Drug offender is defined as persons that have possession  
18 of drugs or have consumed illegal substances but are not inherently  
19 violent.

20 **SECTION 3.** The Drug Enforcement Agency and the Food and Drug Administration  
21 shall oversee the implementation of this legislation. The Department of  
22 Justice shall ensure compliance with the states. The Department of  
23 Health and Human Services shall establish help centers to assist those  
24 who are addicted to drugs.

25 **SECTION 4.** This shall take effect on January 1st, 2022.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Southern Minnesota District.*



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# 2021 SENATE SEMIFINAL & HOUSE QUARTERFINAL LEGISLATION

**A Bill to Ban Voter ID Laws to Ensure Underrepresented Americans Can Vote**

**A Bill to Ban Voter ID Laws to Ensure Underrepresented Americans Can Vote**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States federal government shall hereby require that no  
3 polling place can require the use of photo identification when attempting  
4 to cast a ballot.

5 **SECTION 2.** Photo identification is any physical identity document that includes a  
6 photography of the holder. Examples of photo ID include any  
7 government-issued ID such as a license, passport, as well as employ ID  
8 issued by company or student ID by a post-secondary education  
9 institution.

10 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice shall oversee the implementation of this bill.

11 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall be put into effect at the start of FY 2022 in order to give  
12 time to adopt changes for the 2022 midterm elections.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Eastern Missouri District.*

**A Resolution to Give Economic Freedom to Student Athletes**

**A Resolution to Give Economic Freedom to Student Athletes**

1 **WHEREAS,** The National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) does not allow student  
2 athletes to profit from their name, image, and likeness; and

3 **WHEREAS,** This includes barring student athletes from earning money  
4 through opportunities such as social media, appearances, and  
5 entrepreneurship; and

6 **WHEREAS,** 86% of student athletes live below the poverty line; and

7 **WHEREAS,** Many of these student athletes are being pulled from low  
8 income homes, and education alone cannot provide for themselves and  
9 their family; now therefore, be it

10 **RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled make the following  
11 recommendation to the NCAA to remove all restrictions that are put on  
12 student athletes from profiting from their Name, Image, and Likeness.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the New England District.*

**A Bill to Embargo the People’s Republic of China for Their Attempted Genocide of the Uyghur People**

**A Bill to Embargo the People’s Republic of China for Their Attempted Genocide of the Uyghur People**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** An Embargo shall be placed on all trade with China until they cease their  
3 genocidal action against the Uyghur people of Xinjiang.

4 **SECTION 2.** The United States of America shall cease all trade with the People’s  
5 Republic of China until the People’s Republic of China stops its repression  
6 of the human rights of the Uyghurs in the form of the internment of over  
7 1 million Uyghurs for their faith and the introduction of intense  
8 surveillance, religious restrictions, and forced sterilization of those not  
9 interned.

10 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Commerce will oversee the implementation of this  
11 legislation and be responsible for preventing all trade with the People’s  
12 Republic of China. Trade that is blocked with the People’s Republic of  
13 China will include all imports and exports to the People’s Republic of  
14 China.

15 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will be implemented by January 1st, 2022. All laws in  
16 conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the West Ohio District.*

**The ROAD (Route Oversight and Development) Act of 2021****The ROAD (Route Oversight and Development) Act of 2021**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Budget and Appropriations Committee shall create and  
3 allocate a yearly grant of \$20 billion to upgrade, maintain, and develop  
4 infrastructure. Infrastructure projects shall be prioritized in the following order:  
5 **A.** Repairing deteriorating public utilities and essential infrastructure (including  
6 but not limited to roads, highways, bridges, and water pipes).  
7 **B.** Repairing, updating, and rehauling the U.S. energy grid to prevent  
8 cyberattacks on U.S. infrastructure and construct new transmission lines.  
9 **C.** Expanding rural access to cellular and internet infrastructure

10 **SECTION 2.** Public utilities are defined as infrastructures that facilitate essential services.  
11 The energy grid is defined as the power plants and transmission lines. Cellular  
12 and internet infrastructure includes but is not limited to broadband and cell  
13 towers.

14 **SECTION 3.** Grant funding will be allocated during the creation of the federal budget for  
15 each FY. The Secretaries of Transportation and Energy may also choose to draw  
16 additional funds from their respective departments.  
17 **A.** The Secretaries of Transportation and Energy shall conduct audits and  
18 compile quarterly reports assessing the effectiveness of each section of the  
19 grant and brief the Senate Transportation Committee on its contents.  
20 **B.** If the Senate Transportation Committee determines that an agency has  
21 misused its funds, it will reallocate remaining grant funds to private  
22 corporations.  
23 **C.** To qualify for grant funding in the following year, the Senate Committee  
24 must approve of the Departments' actions in 3 out of 4 quarterly briefings.

25 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect at the beginning of FY 2022.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Arizona District.*



**A Bill to Provide Rural Hospitals with Necessary Funds**

## **A Bill to Provide Rural Hospitals with Necessary Funds**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1.** The United States Federal Government will implement a Rural Hospitals Funding Program where each state may voluntarily apply to receive a federal grant. Upon state registration and approval, states will receive an annual grant they allocate towards their rural health services.

**SECTION 2.** A rural hospital is defined as maintaining no more than 25 acute care beds and located more than 15 miles away from secondary roads. A grant is defined as a non-repayable fund disbursed given by a government department.

**SECTION 3.** A subcommittee under the United States Department of Health & Human Services will be created to oversee the program, gather data, and distribute funds.

A. Upon allocation of money, each state's Department of Public Health will oversee the distribution of the federal government's grant.

B. There will be a one-year phase-in period to gather data and allocate funds to a specific list of hospitals.

C. Any annual surpluses will be added into a grand fund for unexpected emergencies that State Health Departments may request for.

D. This act will be paid for by a 2% increase in payroll taxes for those making more than \$500,000 per year.

**SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2022. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Deep South District.*

**A Bill to Modernize U.S. Infrastructure**

**A Bill to Modernize U.S. Infrastructure**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The U.S. federal government will allocate \$2 trillion in funding over the  
3 next 10 years to address projected shortfalls in infrastructure investment.

4 **SECTION 2.** Priority for investment funding will be as follows:

5 A. Tax incentives for public-private partnership projects.

6 B. Surface transportation infrastructure.

7 C. Public water systems, including stormwater and wastewater  
8 infrastructure.

9 D. Energy infrastructure.

10 E. Aviation infrastructure.

11 F. Inland waterways, including dams, levees, and ports.

12 G. Grants and loans for municipal infrastructure projects.

13 H. All other infrastructure needs.

14 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Departments of Transportation, Energy, Commerce, and Interior  
15 will oversee infrastructure projects appropriate for their jurisdictions.

16 A. The federal gasoline tax will be increased by 10 cents per gallon, with  
17 all revenue raised from this increase earmarked for infrastructure  
18 spending.

19 B. The federal government will set a goal of 3.5 percent of annual GDP  
20 investment in infrastructure spending from all sources.

21 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect within 6 months of passing. All laws in  
22 conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the East Texas District.*

## A Bill to Change U.S. Asylum Policy

# A Bill to Change U.S. Asylum Policy

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Current asylum policy prioritizing children shall be replaced with the following  
3 policies.

4 **SECTION 2.** “Refugees” shall be defined as individuals fleeing their home country for any  
5 reason. “Catch and Release” shall be defined as the practice by which illegal  
6 aliens are apprehended and release so long as they agree to attend a legal  
7 hearing. “Children” shall be defined as all individuals of the age 18 and under.

8 **SECTION 3.** Customs and Border Patrol as well as Immigration and Customs Enforcement  
9 shall work in coordination with the Department of Homeland Security.

10 A. United States Immigration Courts shall expedite the processing of asylum  
11 claims for all children that are currently being held in processing centers.  
12 Increased funding (\$150 billion) shall be provided to existing processing  
13 centers to promote efficient and humane processing. Cases in which claims  
14 do not meet the criteria for asylum will result in children being returned to  
15 their country of origin.

16 B. Ensuring refugees seeking to enter the United States of America from the  
17 southern border are held in Mexico until their claims can be processed to  
18 allow entry into the United States of America.

19 C. Discontinue the current “catch and release” policy at our southwest border.

20 D. Reinstating asylum cooperative agreements (ACAs) with the “Northern  
21 Triangle” countries of Honduras, El Salvador, and Guatemala.

22 E. Complete construction of the border wall where gaps in previously built wall  
23 exist and where contracts and supplies have already been requisitioned.

24 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on July 1, 2021 All laws and executive orders in  
25 conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the South Texas District.*

**A Bill to Address the Elderly Care Crisis**

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1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** An education grant of \$4,000 per semester will be offered to future care workers  
3 on the condition that they work 5 years in the field of elderly care.

4 **SECTION 2.** A. Care workers will be defined as paid helpers such as nurses, social workers, and  
5 doctors who regularly look after the elderly.

6 B. Elderly people shall be defined as people who have reached the retirement age  
7 of 66 years.

8 **SECTION 3.** A. The Department of Education will oversee the grant application, approval and  
9 distribution process.

10 B. If an individual does not begin working in elderly care within 2 years of the  
11 reception of their degree, the grant will become a subsidized federal student  
12 loans.

13 C. Funding for the grants will come from the Department of Education's Federal  
14 Direct Student Loan Program.

15 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall take effect immediately upon passage.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Nebraska South District.*



NATIONAL CONGRESSIONAL DEBATE

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# 2021 HOUSE FINAL ROUND LEGISLATION

**A Bill to Recognize the Sovereignty of Taiwan in Order to Defend Democracy in the Western Pacific****A Bill to Recognize the Sovereignty of Taiwan in Order to Defend Democracy in the Western Pacific**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States of America shall officially recognize the sovereignty of  
3 the Republic of China, establish an embassy in Washington D.C. for the  
4 Republic of China, formalize military alliances with the Republic of China,  
5 and establish a formal embassy in the Republic of China for the United  
6 States of America.

7 **SECTION 2.** A.) "Sovereignty" shall be defined as the authority of a state to govern  
8 itself or another state.

9 B.) "Republic of China" shall be defined as the central government of the  
10 Republic of China, which is based in Taipei, Taiwan.

11 C) "Military alliance" shall be defined as an international agreement of  
12 security in which countries agree to mutual protection.

13 **SECTION 3.** Both the Department of State and the Department of Defense will  
14 oversee enforcement of this legislation. The Department of State will  
15 establish an embassy for the Republic of China in Washington D.C. The  
16 Depart of State will also establish an embassy for the United States in the  
17 Republic of China. The Department of State and the Department of  
18 Defense will establish a joint-committee designated to develop a  
19 Taiwanese-American military alliance. The aforementioned committee  
20 will report directly to both the Secretary of State of State and the  
21 Secretary of Defense. It will also be required to publish reports to the  
22 public detailing progress every year.

23 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect immediately. All laws in conflict with this  
24 legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the South Kansas District.*

A Bill to End Single-Family Zoning

## A Bill to End Single-Family Zoning

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States will hereby incentivize states to adhere to ending  
3 single-family zoning.

4 **SECTION 2.** Single-family zones are defined as zoning that prevents communities  
5 from building any type of housing besides a detached single-family home  
6 in a given area.

7 **SECTION 3.** The US Department of Housing and Urban Development will be in charge  
8 of enforcing this bill.

9 A. States who do not comply with this bill will not receive \$1 million in  
10 Community Development Block Grants.

11 B. 10% of new housing units per state must be set aside for moderate-  
12 income households.

13 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect on January 1, 2022 upon passage.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Tarheel East District.*

**A Bill to Phase Out Government Subsidies and Financial Incentives to Meat and Dairy Industries****A Bill to Phase Out Government Subsidies and Financial Incentives to Meat and Dairy Industries**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Congress shall hereby cease all subsidies and financial  
3 incentives to all meat and dairy manufacturers and their associated  
4 organizations (including but not limited to public relations campaigns and  
5 advertising). All funding currently allocated by Congress to meat and  
6 dairy industries shall be redirected to subsidize fruit and vegetable  
7 agriculture and public health education initiatives.

8 **SECTION 2.** Subsidies shall be defined as any direct or indirect payment on behalf of  
9 the government to private individuals or corporations. Meat refers to  
10 food that is composed of the flesh of an animal (including poultry and  
11 fish).

12 **SECTION 3.** The implementation of this bill shall be overseen by the United States  
13 Department of Agriculture and the United States Food and Drug  
14 Administration

15 **SECTION 4.** Upon passage of this bill Congress shall phase out 10% or more per year  
16 of funding for present subsidy levels for meat and dairy industries and  
17 redirect those funds to fruit and vegetable agriculture and public health  
18 education initiatives. All federal subsidies for meat and dairy industries  
19 shall end no later than ten years following the passage of this bill.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the South Oregon District.*



A Bill to Fund Internet Access in Africa to Support Sustainable Economic Development

## A Bill to Fund Internet Access in Africa to Support Sustainable Economic Development

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall support the funding of universal affordable access  
3 to quality broadband internet in Africa. In the first year upon enactment,  
4 \$9 billion in funding shall be appropriated, and \$4.5 billion shall be  
5 provided each following year for a period of nine years.

6 **SECTION 2.** “Quality broadband internet” is defined as internet with an average  
7 download speed of 10 megabits per second and is technology-neutral.  
8 “Universal affordable access” is defined as 90% penetration of the whole  
9 population, and at least 15% penetration in rural areas.

10 **SECTION 3.** The United States Agency for International Development shall cooperate  
11 with the African Union to fund the research and development of key  
12 information and communication technologies critical to improving  
13 universal affordable access to quality broadband internet.

14 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2022.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Yellow Rose District.*

A Bill to Provide Free School Lunch and Breakfast to All Students

## A Bill to Provide Free School Lunch and Breakfast to All Students

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The Federal Government of the United States shall provide  
3 reimbursement to all schools for breakfast and lunch that is provided to  
4 all Pre-k to 12th grade students attending public or private schools. The  
5 reimbursement amount shall not exceed \$10 per day per student.

6 **SECTION 2.** The United States Department of Agriculture will oversee the  
7 implementation and execution seeing that the resources will be allocated  
8 correctly and efficiently. This will be funded through normal means.

9 **SECTION 3.** This legislation will take effect on July 1, 2021. All laws in conflict with this  
10 legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Northern South Dakota District.*

**A Bill to Grant Statehood to All United States Territories**

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1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All territories of the United States are to be granted statehood and  
3 proper rights and representation in congress, with the draft of a new  
4 state constitution.

5 **SECTION 2.** Congress shall oversee the implementation of this bill.

6 **SECTION 3.** This bill shall take effect immediately, with all territories phased into  
7 statehood by January 1, 2023. All laws in conflict with this legislation are  
8 hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Eastern Ohio District.*

A Resolution to Rejoin the Trans-Pacific Partnership

## A Resolution to Rejoin the Trans-Pacific Partnership

- 1   **WHEREAS,**   the US-China trade war is exacting a significant economic toll on the  
2                   United States; and
- 3   **WHEREAS,**   rejoining the agreement would diversify American trade and make the  
4                   United States less dependent on Chinese goods; and
- 5   **WHEREAS,**   the agreement prevents foreign governments from subsidizing products,  
6                   a practice that creates unfair competition; and
- 7   **WHEREAS,**   several nations in the agreement have consistently reported strong  
8                   economic growth; now, therefore, be it
- 9   **RESOLVED,**   that the United States rejoin the Trans-Pacific Partnership.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the California Coast District.*

## A Bill to Expand Universal Internet Access

### A Bill to Expand Universal Internet Access

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** High-speed broadband access will be extended to everyone. Public-  
3 private partnerships (PPPs) will be created with internet service providers  
4 (ISPs) and the government to build fiber-optic cables across America and  
5 provide service through cable networks.

6 **SECTION 2.** High-speed broadband access will be defined as an average downstream  
7 time of over 100 megabits per second (mb/s).

8 **SECTION 3.** The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) will be responsible for  
9 overseeing and implementing this bill.

10 A. The FCC Inspector General will send biannual reports to Congress  
11 regarding the progress of infrastructure construction.

12 B. If the FCC determines that a PPP has departed from FCC-approved  
13 plans, the USA may freeze subsidies.

14 **SECTION 4.** The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) shall appropriate \$8  
15 billion annually over a ten-year period. This bill shall go into effect in FY  
16 2022.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the New Jersey District.*



# NATIONAL CONGRESSIONAL DEBATE

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## 2021 HOUSE FINAL LEGISLATION

**Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United Nations Security Council should immediately impose an arms embargo against the military of Burma**

**Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United Nations Security Council should immediately impose an arms embargo against the military of Burma**

1    **WHEREAS,**       the military of Burma (also referred to as the “Tatmadaw”) conducted a coup against  
2                    the democratically elected civilian government on February 1, 2021; and

3    **WHEREAS,**       on February 2, 2021, the Department of State concluded that Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, the  
4                    leader of Burma’s ruling party, and President Win Myint, the duly elected head of  
5                    government, were deposed in a military coup on February 1, 2021; and

6    **WHEREAS,**       the Tatmadaw has detained the elected civilian leaders of the country, nullified the  
7                    results of the November 2020 democratic elections, and installed a junta, the State  
8                    Administration Council, under a “state of emergency”; and

9    **WHEREAS,**       the Tatmadaw has restricted freedom of movement, telecommunications, internet  
10                   service, and the media, limiting access to information to and from Burma during a  
11                   political crisis and international pandemic; and

12   **WHEREAS,**       on February 3, 2021, United Nations Secretary General António Guterres stated, “We  
13                   will do everything we can to mobilize all the key actors and international community to  
14                   put enough pressure on Myanmar to make sure that this coup fails.”; and

15   **WHEREAS,**       on April 13, 2021, the United Nation’s High Commissioner for Human Rights Michelle  
16                   Bachelet said, “There are clear echoes of Syria in 2011.” in the current situation in  
17                   Burma, and warned, “I fear the situation in Myanmar is heading towards a full-blown  
18                   conflict. States must not allow the deadly mistakes of the past in Syria and elsewhere to  
19                   be repeated.”; now, therefore, be it

20   **RESOLVED,**       By the Congress here assembled that the United Nations Security Council should  
21                   immediately impose an arms embargo against the military of Burma to prevent the  
22                   continued acquisition of arms and military equipment and the proliferation of weapons  
23                   throughout the country, and to hold the Tatmadaw accountable for ongoing violations  
24                   of human rights, grave abuses against peaceful protestors, and violations of the rights of  
25                   the Rohingya and other ethnic minority groups.

*Introduced by the National Speech and Debate Association; adapted from H.Res. 348, as introduced in the 117th Congress*

**CLEAN Public Service Act****CLEAN Public Service Act**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Subchapter III of Chapter 83 of title 5, United States Code, is amended by  
3 inserting the following:

4 **A.** Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter, further  
5 retirement coverage for current Members of Congress shall be  
6 terminated upon the date specified in Section 4. Any individual who  
7 shall become a Member on or after the date specified in Section 4  
8 shall not qualify for such coverage.

9 **B.** No further Government contributions or deductions from basic pay  
10 may be made with respect to such Member for deposit in the  
11 Treasury of the United States to the credit of the fund.

12 **C.** If a Member shall have qualified for a retirement pension under  
13 Chapter 83, such amounts as have been deducted from their basic  
14 pay shall be refunded within 180 days, and no further transactions  
15 with respect to retirement coverage shall occur.

16 **SECTION 2.** Nothing in Section 1 shall effect the eligibility of a Member to participate  
17 in the Thrift Savings Plan in accordance with otherwise applicable  
18 provisions of law.

19 **SECTION 3.** The Office of Personnel Management shall oversee the discontinuation of  
20 the current plan, and the distribution of any current proceeds.

21 **SECTION 4.** This shall take effect 90 days after passage.

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

*Introduced by the National Speech and Debate Association; adapted from H.R. 101, as introduced in the 117th Congress*



## Public Service Appreciation Through Loan Forgiveness Act

# Public Service Appreciation Through Loan Forgiveness Act

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The Secretary of Education shall:

- 3 **A.** Develop informational materials with respect to the eligibility requirements  
4 of the public service loan forgiveness program under section 455(m) of the  
5 Higher Education Act of 1965 and shall make such informational materials  
6 available on the website of the Department of Education,  
7 **B.** Conduct outreach to organizations that regularly employ individuals eligible  
8 for such public service loan forgiveness program benefits,  
9 **C.** Establish an online portal for borrowers to submit employment information  
10 certification forms.

11 **SECTION 2.** Section 455(m) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 is amended by adding the  
12 following:

- 13 **A.** 10 percent cancellation: The Secretary shall cancel 10 percent of the  
14 balance of interest and principal due on any eligible Federal Direct Loan for  
15 a borrower who has made 48 monthly payments, is employed in a public  
16 service job at the time of such cancellation, and has been employed in a  
17 public service job during the time of the 48 payments;  
18 **B.** 20 percent cancellation: The same requirements as subsection A, except for  
19 a borrower who has made 72 consecutive payments;  
20 **C.** 50 percent cancellation: The same requirements as subsection A, except for  
21 a borrower who has made 96 consecutive payments.

22 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Education shall implement Sections 1 and 2. The Secretary  
23 of Education shall also have the ability to completely cancel any loans they  
24 deem necessary.

25 **SECTION 4.** This shall take effect 180 days after passage.

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

*Introduced by the National Speech and Debate Association; adapted from H.R. 251, as introduced in the 117th Congress*

Repeal of the Authorization for Use of Military Force

## Repeal of the Authorization for Use of Military Force

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Congress finds that the Authorization for Use of Military Force (Public  
3 Law 107-40; 50 U.S.C. 1541 note), signed into law on September 18,  
4 2001, has been used to justify a broad and open-ended authorization for  
5 the use of military force and such an interpretation is inconsistent with  
6 the authority of Congress to declare war and make all laws for executing  
7 powers vested by the Constitution in the Government of the United  
8 States.

9 **SECTION 2.** Effective 240 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
10 Authorization for Use of Military Force (Public Law 107-40; 50 U.S.C.  
11 1541 note) is hereby repealed.

12 **SECTION 3.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced by the National Speech and Debate Association; adapted from H.R. 255, as introduced in the 117th Congress*

**Taiwan Invasion Prevention Act****Taiwan Invasion Prevention Act**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The President is authorized to use the Armed Forces of the United States  
3 in order to secure and protect Taiwan against the following:

4 **A.** Direct armed attack by the military forces of the People’s Republic of  
5 China;

6 **B.** The taking of territory under the effective jurisdiction of Taiwan;

7 **C.** The endangering of the lives of members of the military forces of  
8 Taiwan or civilians within the effective jurisdiction of Taiwan in cases  
9 in which such members or civilians have been killed or are in  
10 imminent danger.

11 **D.** Consistent with the War Powers Resolution, the Congress declares  
12 that this is intended to constitute specific statutory authorization  
13 within the meaning of the War Powers Resolution.

14 **SECTION 2.** Not later than 180 days after the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of  
15 Defense shall seek to convene an annual regional security dialogue with  
16 the Government of Taiwan and the governments of like-minded security  
17 partner to improve relationships among the United States and countries  
18 in the Western Pacific Area.

19 **SECTION 3.** No later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
20 President should arrange a meeting with the President of Taiwan in  
21 Taiwan. Additionally, it is the sense of Congress that it would be  
22 beneficial for the President of Taiwan to address a Joint Meeting of  
23 Congress.

24 **SECTION 4.** This shall take effect immediately upon passage.

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

*Introduced by the National Speech and Debate Association; adapted from H.R. 1173, as introduced in the 117th Congress*



# NATIONAL CONGRESSIONAL DEBATE

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## 2021 SENATE FINAL LEGISLATION

**Expressing the sense of the Senate that it is the duty of the Federal Government to dramatically expand and strengthen the care economy**

**Expressing the sense of the Senate that it is the duty of the Federal Government to dramatically expand and strengthen the care economy**

- 1 **WHEREAS,** the preamble of the Constitution of the United States cites the duty to “promote the  
2 general Welfare”, establishing care for the people of the United States as one of the  
3 pillars of our system of government; and
- 4 **WHEREAS,** even before the novel coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID–19) pandemic, and the  
5 recession it triggered, the United States was experiencing profound crises of care and  
6 well-being, and critical public services and programs in the United States were  
7 underresourced or nonexistent; and
- 8 **WHEREAS,** care work makes all other work possible, and the economy of the United States cannot  
9 thrive without a healthy and robust foundation of care for all people; and
- 10 **WHEREAS,** the COVID–19 pandemic has underscored that frontline work, including direct care,  
11 childcare, nursing, health care, public and community health, mental health, domestic,  
12 social assistance, education, service, retail, delivery, food, restaurant, agricultural, and  
13 other work, is essential to the functioning and flourishing of the United States, and to  
14 the care of all people; and
- 15 **WHEREAS,** despite the prevalence of low wages and difficult conditions, direct care jobs, including  
16 home care, residential care, and nursing assistant jobs, are already among the fastest  
17 growing in the United States and represent the largest occupational group in the  
18 country; and
- 19 **WHEREAS,** in the context of addressing and defeating the COVID–19 pandemic, economic crisis,  
20 systemic racism, and climate change, and taking seriously the mandate to “promote the  
21 general Welfare”, bold investments in care can anchor the rebirth of the United States;  
22 now, therefore, be it
- 23 **RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled that it is the duty of the Federal Government to  
24 dramatically expand and strengthen the care economy, healing and supporting the  
25 country as we emerge from the COVID-19 pandemic and face the challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup>  
26 century and beyond. This obligation can only be met with far reaching public  
27 investments, designed to achieve the goals of
- 28 **A.** Repairing the wrongs of history, including by acknowledging and addressing the  
29 legacies of exclusion and oppression faced by caregivers, particularly women of  
30 color and immigrants;
- 31 **B.** Raising pay, benefits, protections, and standards for existing care workers, such that  
32 care jobs are family sustaining, paying substantially more than \$15 an hour, that all  
33 care workers have the right to engage in collective action, and that all care workers  
34 have mandated employer protections they need to conduct their work safely;
- 35 **C.** Building and expanding zero-carbon, non-polluting, climate-safe infrastructure,  
36 including physical infrastructure and social infrastructure, to guarantee care to all  
37 people throughout the life cycle, moving the United States toward universal, public  
38 programs; so that
- 39 **D.** Our ultimate aim is to build an economy and society based on care for people,  
40 communities, and the planet we all share.

*Introduced by the National Speech and Debate Association; adapted from S.Res. 85, as introduced in the 117th Congress*

Living Donor Protection Act of 2021

## Living Donor Protection Act of 2021

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** It shall be unlawful to decline or limit coverage of a person under any life  
3 insurance policy, disability insurance policy, or long-term care insurance policy  
4 solely due to the status of such person as a living organ donor; to preclude an  
5 insured from donating all or part of an organ as a condition of continued  
6 insurance; to otherwise discriminate in the offering, issuance, cancellation,  
7 coverage, price, or any other condition of any insurance policy based solely  
8 upon the status of the insured as a living organ donor.

9 **A.** The Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 shall be updated to include  
10 “recovering from surgery related to organ donation” as a condition for  
11 receiving approved medical leave.

12 **SECTION 2.** The term “living organ donor” means an individual who has donated all or part  
13 of an organ and is not deceased.

14 **SECTION 3.** The Secretary of Health and Human Services shall review and update materials  
15 related to living organ donation in order to educate the public on the benefits  
16 and risks of living organ donation and the impact of living organ donation on the  
17 access to insurance.

18 **SECTION 4.** This shall take effect 180 days after passage.

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

*Introduced by the National Speech and Debate Association; adapted from S. 377, as introduced in the 117th Congress*

## Penny Plan to Enhance Infrastructure Act of 2021

# Penny Plan to Enhance Infrastructure Act of 2021

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Section 250(c)(4) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of  
3 1985 is amended by excluding the infrastructure category from the limitations  
4 in subparagraphs D and E, creating a new paragraph for infrastructure  
5 (designated subparagraph G), and permitting \$61,812,700,000 in new budget  
6 authority for fiscal year 2022 and \$62,891,800,000 in new budget authority in  
7 fiscal year 2023 for this new infrastructure definition.

8 **SECTION 2.** The following categories are considered “infrastructure” under revised  
9 subparagraph G:

- 10 **A.** For the Federal Aviation Administration: facilities and equipment,  
11 operations, and grants-in-aid for airports.
- 12 **B.** For the Federal Highway Administration: Transit Infrastructure Grants
- 13 **C.** For the Federal Railroad Administration: National Network Grants to the  
14 National Railroad Passenger Network
- 15 **D.** For the National Aeronautics and Space Administration: amounts for the  
16 Advanced Air Vehicles Program
- 17 **E.** For the Department of Defense: Military Construction and Family Housing  
18 Construction
- 19 **F.** For the Environmental Protection Agency: Clean Water State Revolving  
20 Funds and the Drinking Water State Revolving Funds
- 21 **G.** For the Department of Agriculture: Natural Resources Conservation Service
- 22 **H.** For the Rural Utilities Service: Electric and Telecommunications Loans  
23 under the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, and Broadband Loan and Grant  
24 Pilot Program

25 **SECTION 3.** The various Secretaries of each Department impacted by these definitions shall  
26 oversee the distribution of these funds.

27 **SECTION 4.** This shall take effect immediately upon passage.

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

*Introduced by the National Speech and Debate Association; adapted from S. 232, as introduced in the 117th Congress*

**Investments in Rural Transit Act of 2021****Investments in Rural Transit Act of 2021**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** In states and counties designated as an “area of persistent poverty,” the  
3 Federal Government shall provide grants for operating assistance to a  
4 provider of public transportation for 80 percent of net operating costs of  
5 the project, as determined by the Secretary of Transportation. These  
6 areas must already be eligible for the Formula Grants for Rural Areas  
7 program of the Federal Transit Administration.

8 **SECTION 2.** An “area of persistent poverty” means any county in which not less than  
9 20 percent of the population has lived in poverty during the most recent  
10 30-year period; a county in which not less than 25 percent of residents  
11 are age 65 or older, according to the most recent estimate of the Bureau  
12 of the Census; has been designated by the Secretary of Health and  
13 Human Services as a health professional shortage area on the basis of a  
14 primary care or mental health care shortage; and has a population  
15 density of not more than 20 persons per square mile of land area.

16 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Transportation shall oversee this grant program.

17 **SECTION 4.** This shall take effect upon passage.

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

*Introduced by the National Speech and Debate Association; adapted from S. 267, as introduced in the 117th Congress*



## Vieques Recovery and Redevelopment Act

# Vieques Recovery and Redevelopment Act

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** An individual claimant who has resided on the island of Vieques, Puerto Rico, for  
3 not less than 5 years shall be awarded monetary compensation if the claimant is  
4 or was a resident, or an immediate heir to a deceased claimant, during or after  
5 the United States Government used the island of Vieques for military readiness.

6 **A.** The claimant must submit to the Special Master written medical  
7 documentation that indicated the claimant contracted a chronic, life-  
8 threatening, or physical disease or illness limited to cancer, hypertension,  
9 cirrhosis, kidney disease, diabetes, or a heavy metal poisoning during or after  
10 the United States Government used the island of Vieques, Puerto Rico,  
11 for military readiness.

12 **SECTION 2.** A claimant who meets the requirements of Section 1 shall be awarded \$50,000  
13 for 1 disease, \$80,000 for 2 diseases, and \$110,000 for 3 or more diseases as  
14 described in Section 1 subsection A.

15 **SECTION 3.** The Attorney General shall appoint a Special Master not later than 90 days after  
16 the date of enactment of this Act to consider claims by individuals and the  
17 municipality.

18 **SECTION 4.** As further compensation for the municipality, the Special Master shall provide  
19 medical staff, and other resources necessary to build and operate a level three  
20 trauma center with a cancer center and renal dialysis unit and its equipment.  
21 The medical facility shall be able to treat life-threatening, chronic, heavy metal,  
22 and physical and mental diseases. The medical facility shall be able to provide  
23 basic x-ray, EKG, internal medicine expertise, medical coordination personnel  
24 and case managers, ultrasound, and resources necessary to screen claimants  
25 who are receiving treatment for cancer and the other prevailing health  
26 problems.

27 **SECTION 5.** All claims must be submitted within 120 days after the effective date of this Act.

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

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