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A Bill to Cease Weapons Sales by the United States to the United Arab Emirates

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1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States federal government and private corporations will no
3 longer sell or provide weaponry to United Arab Emirates.

4 **SECTION 2.** Sell is defined as to give up property to another for something of value,
5 such as money.

6 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Department of Defense and the U.S. Office of Foreign Assets
7 Control (OFAC) will oversee the implementation of the cease of sales.

8 A. All instances of weapon sales to United Arab Emirates, both directly
9 and indirectly, shall be investigated by the Department of Defense to
10 ensure following of this policy.

11 B. To ensure the cease of sales, all individuals associated with the
12 continue sales of weapons to foreign nations will be given 25-year
13 sentences without the opportunity for appeal or bail.

14 **SECTION 4.** The ceasing of sale of weapons to United Arab Emirates will be
15 implemented on June 1, 2020.

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

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A Bill to make the U.S. Social Security System More Stable

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1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Steps shall be taken to restructure and ensure the long-term stability of
3 the Social Security System in the United States.

4 **SECTION 2.** The steps required to make Social Security more stable are:

5 **A.** Increase the payroll tax rate to 15%.

6 **B.** Lift the payroll tax earnings cap to \$500,000.

7 **C.** The new minimum benefit shall be set at 30%.

8 **D.** The current Social Security benefits taxation threshold shall double.

9 **SECTION 3.** The IRS and the Social Security Administration will be responsible with
10 carrying out the implementation and enforcement of these changes.

11 **A.** Congress must also ensure that these changes pass prior to the
12 timeline proposed below.

13 **SECTION 4.** This will be put into action starting Fiscal Year 2025.

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

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A Resolution to Reduce the United States Commitment to the War on Drugs

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1 **WHEREAS,** the United States War on Drugs is currently costing taxpayers \$45 million
2 per day; and

3 **WHEREAS,** U.S. foreign relations have been negatively impacted by the United States
4 approach and execution of their War on Drugs plan; and

5 **WHEREAS,** the United States has other concerns to focus on that pose bigger threats
6 to the nation's safety and stability; and

7 **WHEREAS,** the amount of money spent on the War on Drugs has reached over 300
8 times the original amount budgeted; and

9 **WHEREAS,** the War on Drugs has place even more strain on the already
10 overcrowded United States prison system; now, therefore, be it

11 **RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled that the United States government
12 should significantly reduce monetary commitments to the War on Drugs.

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A Bill to Establish Mental Health Programs in Schools

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1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All public schools in the United States are now encouraged to have a
3 mental health program that proactively addresses and treats the mental
4 illnesses of their students.

5 **SECTION 2.** Education funds will be cut to states not mandating mental health
6 programs in schools.

7 **A.** Mental illnesses include, but are not limited to, anxiety, depression,
8 bipolar disorder, eating disorders, and personality disorders.

9 **B.** When a school has reached a rate of 85% of their students requesting
10 services being declared as “effectively served” will that school be deemed
11 as meeting the requirements of this legislation.

12 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Department of Education and the U.S. Department of Health
13 shall oversee the implementation of this legislation.

14 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall go into effect at the start of the 2023 school year.

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

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A Bill to Eliminate Mandatory Minimums

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1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All federal mandatory minimum sentences for non-violent drug crimes are
3 hereby abolished. Funds saved from reduced prison populations shall be
4 used to create drug-rehabilitation programs.

5 **SECTION 2.** Mandatory minimums shall be defined as a minimum sentence required for
6 a particular crime, regardless of the judge's discretion. Non-violent drug
7 crimes are crimes relating to controlled substances that do not have a
8 violent component.

9 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice shall be responsible for the implementation of
10 this legislation.

11 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect one year after its passage.

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

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A Resolution to Reduce the Nuclear Arsenal of the United States

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- 1 **WHEREAS,** the current stockpile of nuclear weapons is unnecessary; and
- 2 **WHEREAS,** the United States, or any other country, does not have a realistic foreign
3 threat of nuclear war; and
- 4 **WHEREAS,** the likelihood of ever having to use the nuclear weapons held by the
5 United States is basically zero; and
- 6 **WHEREAS,** no current conflict involving the United State could/should be
7 resolved/addressed using nuclear weapons; and
- 8 **WHEREAS,** storing and guarding these weapons is a financial burden on the United
9 States economy; now, therefore, be it
- 10 **RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled that the United States should start
11 reducing its nuclear arsenal.

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A Bill to Encourage a Statute of Limitations on Welfare Recipients to Minimize Welfare Fraud (P-8)**A Bill to Encourage a Statute of Limitations on Welfare Recipients to Minimize Welfare Fraud (P-8)**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Any person receiving welfare benefits will have up to five years to
3 stabilize their income/further their education before benefits are
4 denied/terminated.

5 **SECTION 2.** Welfare shall be defined as any government program that provides
6 governmental aid to individuals or groups who cannot support
7 themselves.

8 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Health and Human Services will oversee
9 the implementation of this legislation.

10 A. All welfare recipients will be subject to annual reviews.

11 B. Proof of active job seeking or furthering of education must be
12 supplied every year.

13 C. Those currently within the system will continue receiving benefits
14 until July 1, 2020. This is when all individual will be expected to have
15 reapplied for assistance and the five year clock begins.

16 D. There shall be no extension granted to those still requiring assistance
17 once the five year limit is reached.

18 **SECTION 4.** This law will go into effect on July 1, 2020. States not implementing
19 these policies will be subject to reduced funding for welfare benefits.

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

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A Bill to Pass the 2019 Family and Medical Insurance Leave Act

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1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The Family and Medical Insurance Leave Act (H.R. 1439) of the 114th

3 Congress is hereby reintroduced with modified provisions.

4 **SECTION 2.** The 2019 Family Medical Insurance Leave Act:

5 **A.** Provides workers up to 16 weeks of partial income (50% of salary)

6 when they take time off due to health related situations for

7 themselves or their spouse/domestic partner.

8 **B.** Is funded by a payroll tax of 0.3%.

9 **C.** Creates the office of Paid Family and Medical leave.

10 a. This office falls under the jurisdiction of the Social Security

11 Administration.

12 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Labor shall oversee the enforcement of this

13 legislation.

14 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be implemented immediately upon passage.

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

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A Bill to Eliminate Federal Private Prisons

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1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Federal private prisons are officially banned in the United States.

3 **SECTION 2.** Federal private prisons shall be defined as places in which individuals are
4 physically incarcerated or confined by a third party contracted by a
5 government agency.

6 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice, in addition to the Bureau of Prisons shall
7 enforce this legislation.

8 A. All current contracts with third party organizations shall be
9 terminated.

10 B. All prisoners currently in private facilities shall be moved by
11 December 31, 2023.

12 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect immediately.

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

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