



## **A Bill to Permit Same-Sex Couples to Adopt Children within the States that Have Legalized Same-Sex Marriage.**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Any legally married, same-sex couple should have the option to adopt  
3 any child within the states that recognize same-sex marriage following a  
4 thorough background check.

5 **SECTION 2.** Any person under the age of 18 is considered a child. States that  
6 currently legalize same-sex marriage are California, Connecticut,  
7 Delaware, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts,  
8 Minnesota, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York,  
9 Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, and Washington and  
10 Washington, D.C. Background checks recognize any criminal history.

11 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice will oversee this enactment.

12 A. Each individual state shall recognize both partners as legal guardians  
13 to the child.

14 B. Additionally, should a new state recognize same-sex marriage as  
15 legal, that state should be added to this bill.

16 **SECTION 4.** This law will take effect within 6 months of passage.

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

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## A Resolution to Repeal the Monroe Doctrine due to Its Antiquated Standards

- 1 **WHEREAS,** The Monroe Doctrine was established in order to prevent European  
2 affairs from intervening in the Western Hemisphere; and
- 3 **WHEREAS,** Expansion of political and economic interests has changed since 1823;  
4 and
- 5 **WHEREAS,** Energy and environmental concerns globally affect all and cannot be  
6 changed without multilateral support; and
- 7 **WHEREAS,** Isolationism is impractical in the modern world; now, therefore, be it
- 8 **RESOLVED,** That the UIL Congress here assembled repeal the Monroe Doctrine; and,  
9 be it
- 10 **FURTHER RESOLVED,** That further discussion begin to create a more functional  
11 international doctrine.

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Eustace High School*



## A Bill to Classify Energy Drinks as Beverages

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All Energy drinks will be classified as a beverage rather than a supplement  
3 under the FDA.

4 **SECTION 2.** In order to provide clarification, the following terms are defined:

5 Supplement- A product intended for ingestion that contains a dietary  
6 ingredient intended to add further nutritional value to the diet.

7 Beverage- a drink other than water

8 Energy drink- A liquid intended for consumption that is considered a  
9 source of energy, especially a soft drink containing a high percentage of  
10 sugar/caffeine/other stimulant.

11 **SECTION 3.** The FDA will oversee this bill.

12 A. The FDA will enforce any changes in restriction that come from  
13 energy drinks being classified as beverage.

14 B. Companies who do not comply will be fined a maximum of \$50  
15 million per offense

16 **SECTION 4.** This plan shall be enacted by October 2015

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

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Chireno ISD.*



## A Resolution to Create Garden Communities for Individuals Receiving SNAP

- 1   **WHEREAS,**    The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, or SNAP (called Food  
2                    Stamps until the name changed in the 2008 Farm Bill) is our country's  
3                    largest federally funded food assistance program; and
- 4   **WHEREAS,**    Since May 2012, nearly 46.5 million Americans, or more than 1 in 7,  
5                    depend on SNAP to put food on the table, with an average monthly  
6                    benefit of \$133 per person; and
- 7   **WHEREAS,**    Most Americans do not consume sufficient fruits and vegetables, and for  
8                    SNAP participants, the "triple-A" challenges of access, affordability, and  
9                    awareness are particularly pronounced; and
- 10 **WHEREAS,**    Diets with insufficient fruit and vegetable intake can lead to increased  
11                   incidences of preventable illnesses, such as diabetes, obesity, and heart  
12                   problems; and
- 13 **WHEREAS,**    These illnesses further increase the burdens of citizens living in poverty  
14                   and also on society at large, in the form of Medicare and Medicaid costs;  
15                   and
- 16 **WHEREAS,**    Fresh food gardening helps considerably by providing a healthy diet,  
17                   while at the same time improving neighborhood atmosphere and the  
18                   environment; now, therefore, be it
- 19 **RESOLVED,**    That the UIL Congress here assembled require all SNAP recipients to be a  
20                   part of a community garden to continue to receive benefits; and, be it
- 21 **FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the gardens are created with weeding and watering shifts to  
22                   enable gardening for those who have limited time or inflexible schedules,  
23                   creating economies of scale, and making the gardening both time-  
24                   efficient and economical.

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## A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Abolish the Death Penalty

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

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

8 **ARTICLE --**

9 **SECTION 1:** The death penalty shall be abolished for all crimes within the states and  
10 territories of the United States.

11 **SECTION 2:** All people currently sentenced to death for any crime within the states  
12 and territories of the United States shall immediately upon ratification  
13 have their sentence changed to life imprisonment without any  
14 opportunity for parole.

15 **SECTION 3:** The UIL Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate  
16 legislation.

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## A Bill to Cap Campaign Donations

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All campaign donations in federal elections will be capped at \$250 million  
3 per candidate.

4 **SECTION 2.** Donations shall include all monies given to a candidate for the purposes  
5 of campaigning for a federally elected position. Sources of the donation  
6 will not affect the cap. A candidate may not raise more than \$250 million  
7 dollars for election campaigning.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Internal Revenue Service will keep a tally of each candidate's funds  
9 raised for the election period.

10 A. Candidates found in violation of this law will have all campaign  
11 donation funds confiscated and donated to their home state's  
12 department of education.

13 B. Candidates in compliance with this law will receive public  
14 endorsement from the IRS for fair campaign spending practices  
15 during the election period.

16 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect beginning with the 2016 elections.

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

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Hallsville High School.*



## A Bill to Enact Police Surveillance for all Law Enforcement Officers in the United States

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States government demands that body cameras be placed on  
3 all police officers in the nation in order to hold these officers more  
4 accountable for their actions.

5 **SECTION 2.** Body cameras should be defined as working devices that record both  
6 video and audio accounts of what happens in the surroundings of a police  
7 officer.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Federal Bureau of Investigation will oversee the enforcement of this  
9 bill.

10 A. A budget of \$800 per individual camera will be issued and law officers  
11 will be required to wear them throughout their entire shift.

12 B. Once collected, raw footage captured must immediately be uploaded  
13 to that particular law enforcement agency's website.

14 **SECTION 4.** The implementation of this bill will begin on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015.

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

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Lindale High School.*



## **A Bill to Protect Pets involved in Crimes related to Domestic Violence and Stalking.**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Federal Government shall protect the pets of victims of  
3 domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and dating violence.

4 **SECTION 2.** DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIM DEFINED - The term 'domestic violence  
5 victim' means a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual  
6 assault, or stalking. PET DEFINED - The term 'pet' means a domesticated  
7 animal, such as a dog, cat, bird, rodent, fish, turtle, horse, or other animal  
8 that is kept for pleasure rather than for commercial purposes.'

9 **SECTION 3.** The Secretary of Agriculture, acting in consultation with the Director of  
10 the Violence Against Women Office of the Department of Justice, the  
11 Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, and the Secretary of  
12 Health and Human Services, shall award grants to eligible entities to carry  
13 out programs to provide the assistance with respect to victims of  
14 domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking and the  
15 pets of such victims.

16 **SECTION 4.** There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section  
17 \$3,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2015 through 2019.

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

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Cross Roads High School.*

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## A Bill to Sexual Prescription Drug Advertisements

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All direct to consumer (DTC) advertisements for sexual prescription  
3 medications in the US are declared illegal.

4 **SECTION 2.** Each violation of this legislation is subject to a \$150,000 fine requiring  
5 payment within the fiscal year that the violation occurs.

6 **SECTION 3.** The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in conjunction with the  
7 Food and Drug Administration (FDA) shall enforce this legislation.

8 **SECTION 4.** This law will take effect within 6 months of passage..

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

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Union Grove High School.*



## A Bill to Prohibit Oil and Natural Gas Drilling to Preserve our National Parks

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Oil and Natural Gas Drilling in National Parks Is Hereby Prohibited.

3 **SECTION 2.** Prohibit means to not allow and formally forbid by law, rule, or authority.

4 National Parks are scenic or historically important areas of countryside  
5 protected by the federal government for the enjoyment of the general  
6 public or the preservation of wildlife. Oil Drilling is any process of boring  
7 through the Earth's surface that is designed to find and acquire  
8 petroleum oil hydrocarbons. Gas drilling means extracting natural gas  
9 using high-pressure, horizontal drilling and hydraulic fracturing.

10 **SECTION 3.** The National Park Service will enforce this bill by submitting cease and  
11 desist letters to any current oil and natural gas drillers in the national  
12 parks 90 days before the effective prohibition date.

13 A. Penalties will include, if oil drilling and gas drilling companies are not  
14 removed within the time period, a \$1,000 fine per day for the first 10  
15 days, a \$10,000 fine per day for the next 20 days, and \$100,000 fine  
16 and a six month jail sentence after 30 days from the effective  
17 prohibition date.

18 **SECTION 4.** The effective date for submission of letters will be July 1, 2015. The  
19 effective date for prohibition of drilling will be October 1, 2015.

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

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Palestine High School.*

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## A Resolution to Legalize the Sale of Human Donor Kidneys

- 1 **WHEREAS,** In the United States, offering or receiving compensation for donated  
2 organs is illegal; and
- 3 **WHEREAS,** The US has more than 98,000 people in need of kidney transplants; and
- 4 **WHEREAS,** Only about 16,500 kidney transplant operations were performed last  
5 year; and
- 6 **WHEREAS,** More than 4,500 people in the US die each year waiting for viable  
7 kidneys; now, therefore, be it
- 8 **RESOLVED,** That the UIL Congress here assembled legalize the sale of human donor  
9 kidneys for profit in America

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by John Tyler High School*

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## A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Grant the Citizens of Washington DC the Same Full Representation in Congress as Any State

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

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

8 **ARTICLE --**

9 **SECTION 1:** For purposes of representation in the Congress, election of the President  
10 and Vice President, and article V of this Constitution, the District  
11 constituting the seat of government of the United States shall be treated  
12 as though it were a State.

13 **SECTION 2:** The exercise of the rights and powers conferred under this article shall be  
14 by the people of the District constituting the seat of government, and as  
15 shall be provided by the Congress.

16 **SECTION 3:** The twenty-third article of amendment to the Constitution of the United  
17 States is hereby repealed.

18 **SECTION 4:** The UIL Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate  
19 legislation.

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Carthage High School.*

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## A Resolution to Disallow the Further Development and Use of Biological Weaponry

- 1   **WHEREAS,**   Many countries possesses biological weaponry that could pose to be a  
2                   threat to both their own countries as well as other countries; and
- 3   **WHEREAS,**   If the countries who possess these weapons continues to possess and  
4                   develop biological weaponry no person is safe; and
- 5   **WHEREAS,**   a country endangers itself by harboring biological weapons and a mishap  
6                   could occur just like the 1922 anthrax outbreak in Sverdlovsk, Russia  
7                   which was a result of biological weapons being created in nearby military  
8                   facilities; this outbreak harmed many of the countries own people; and
- 9   **WHEREAS,**   biological agents used in biological weapons cannot decipher enemy from  
10                  the innocent bystanders, and as a result, these biological agents infect  
11                  and effect unintended persons; this could lead to a pandemic or  
12                  extermination of the human race; now, therefore, be it
- 13   **RESOLVED,**   That the UIL Congress here assembled disallow the further development  
14                  and use of biological weaponry.

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Lindale High School.*

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## A Bill to Regulate Gun Range Safety

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Gun ranges will need to ensure that their instructors have completed a  
3 submachine gun instructor training program. Students of the instructor  
4 must complete a safety course, a standardized psychological assessment  
5 from a licensed psychologist, be at least 18 years old, and have learned to  
6 shoot using a single shot gun in order to handle a submachine gun.

7 **SECTION 2.** In order to provide clarification for this bill, some terms are defined  
8 below:

9 Gun Range- a specialized facility designed for firearms practice.

10 Psychological Assessment- a process of testing that uses a combination of  
11 techniques to help arrive at some hypotheses about a person and their  
12 behavior, personality, and capabilities.

13 **SECTION 3.** The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives will oversee and  
14 enforce gun range regulations.

15 A. Violations of gun range safety laws will be fined a maximum of  
16 \$10,000 for each violation and renew their safety training.

17 **SECTION 4.** This plan must be implemented by December 2015.

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

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Chireno HS.*



## A Resolution to Provide Aide to Central American Countries to Decrease Illegal Immigration

- 1   **WHEREAS,**    Illegal Immigration into the U.S. has increased greatly due to the growing  
2                    violence in Central American countries, specifically Guatemala, Honduras,  
3                    and El Salvador; and
- 4   **WHEREAS,**    People in these countries, with children as the main victims, live in fear of  
5                    being murdered, raped, or worse; and
- 6   **WHEREAS,**    In order to escape the danger, many flee to the United States, which  
7                    creates a surplus in illegal immigration; and
- 8   **WHEREAS,**    It is inhumane to deport them back into countries where they have a high  
9                    probability of becoming victims of these violent crimes, without first  
10                   attempting to help stabilize their economies; and
- 11 **WHEREAS,**    As long as these countries remain unstable, more and more immigrants  
12                   will continue to arrive unauthorized into this country, causing negative  
13                   effects on the economy; now, therefore, be it
- 14 **RESOLVED,**   That the UIL Congress here assembled provide financial and military aide  
15                   to Guatemala, Honduras, and El Salvador to decrease illegal immigration  
16                   into the U.S.

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## A Bill to Provide Support to All Veterans of the US Armed Forces Aged 45 and Over

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Veterans paying property taxes in any state will receive a federal income  
3 tax deduction.

4 **SECTION 2.** Eligible veterans will have served in the United States armed forces for a  
5 minimum of 5 consecutive years and be at or over 45 years of age.

6 **SECTION 3.** A Veterans' Assistance Agency shall be established by the Veterans'  
7 Administration.

8 A. *Sub-Section A:* The duties of the agency are as follows:

- 9 1. Refer veterans to jobs fitting their specific skills set.
- 10 2. Provide psychological therapy to help relieve post-war  
11 symptoms such as PTSD

12 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall be enacted 90 days after passage.

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

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Pine Tree High School*





## A Bill to Create New Penalties for Universities and Colleges that Violate Title IX

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** New penalties for violating the Title IX will be created to better enforce  
3 this law in universities and colleges.

4 **SECTION 2.** Title IX will be defined as a portion of the Education Amendments of 1972  
5 that prohibits discrimination on the basis of gender, especially in sexual  
6 harassment cases.

7 **SECTION 3.** The Office for Civil Rights under The US Department of Education will  
8 oversee the enforcement of the bill through the following methods:

9 A. First through third offenses will result in a \$2.5 million fine per  
10 offense.

11 B. Further offenses will result in a decrease in federal funding, the  
12 amount of which will be determined by the number and severity of  
13 the offenses.

14 C. A Title IX Coordinator must be designated by the universities and  
15 college and should be available to everyone on campus. Failure to do  
16 so will also result in a fine.

17 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015.

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

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## A Bill to Enforce the Immediate Deportation of Unaccompanied Alien Children to Reduce Federal Spending

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Any unaccompanied alien child detained by U.S. federal officials will be  
3 immediately deported to their originating countries.

4 **SECTION 2.** Unaccompanied alien child is defined by the Homeland Security Act of  
5 2002 as “a person under 18, without a parent or legal guardian in the  
6 United States or without a parent or legal guardian in the United States  
7 who is available to provide care and physical custody.”

8 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Homeland Security will oversee the enforcement of  
9 said action.

10 A. The Department of State will negotiate conditions of financial  
11 obligation to transport the unaccompanied alien children from the  
12 United States and originating countries.

13 B. Costs to detain unaccompanied alien children will fall under the  
14 Department of Homeland Security.

15 **SECTION 4.** This bill will become effective at the start of the new fiscal year, October  
16 1, 2015.

17 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.  
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19 *Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Eustace High School.*

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## **A Resolution to Allocate Funds to Help Control the Ebola Epidemic**

- WHEREAS,** Many people are dying of Ebola; and
- WHEREAS,** The current case fatality rate is up to 90%, and Ebola is spreading to many countries; and
- WHEREAS,** The US is a mobile society. Our citizens travel through the world daily and could carry Ebola to the United States; and
- WHEREAS,** Without action the current problem can escalate further harming humans throughout; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED,** That the UIL Congress here assembled make the following recommendation that 30 million dollars should be allocated to the World Health Organization for the purpose of controlling Ebola.

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Chireno ISD.*

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## A Resolution to Declare English the Official Language of America

- 1   **WHEREAS,**    The rising costs, burdens, and conflicts that arise in nations and  
2                   international organizations that attempt to conduct business in more  
3                   than one official language is growing; and
- 4   **WHEREAS,**    31 states and the majority of American citizens desire a single national  
5                   language declaration; and
- 6   **WHEREAS,**    the attempt to conduct business and education in more than one official  
7                   language creates conflict in meaning between government laws,  
8                   regulations, or pronouncements and
- 9   **WHEREAS,**    the bilingual education program currently enacted in American school  
10                  systems is failing; now, therefore, be it
- 11 **RESOLVED,**   That the UIL Congress here assembled make the following  
12                  recommendation, American should declare English as the official  
13                  language; and, be it
- 14 **FURTHER RESOLVED,** That all government publications are published in English only.

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## A Bill to REQUIRE SENIOR CITIZENS TO REQUALIFY FOR A DRIVER'S LICENSE

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Every citizen of the United States over the age of 65 years wanting to  
3 retain their driver's license shall be retested. Passing the written test,  
4 driving test, and an eye examination will be required every three years.

5 **SECTION 2.** Testing will be done in the state in which they reside according to that  
6 state's driving requirements.

7 **SECTION 3.** This law will be enforced by the Department of Public Safety and local  
8 law enforcement.

9 A. The fine for violating this law would be the same as already mandated  
10 for an expired license.

11 **SECTION 4.** This law will become effective on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015.

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

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Lonqview High School.*



## A Resolution to Mandate Vaccinations

1    **WHEREAS,**    The failure to vaccinate minors opens our communities to the spread of  
2                    dangerous diseases; and

3    **WHEREAS,**    There has been a rise in the number of families unwilling to properly  
4                    vaccinate their children; and

5    **WHEREAS,**    The vast majority of vaccinations are forgone due to poor scheduling &  
6                    canceled appointments, not actual refusal to vaccinate; and

7    **WHEREAS,**    Requiring parents to vaccinate their children by law would give it the  
8                    priority status it should already have; now, therefore, be it

9    **RESOLVED,**    That the UIL Congress here assembled require all citizens to maintain  
10                    appropriate medical vaccinations according to the recommendation of  
11                    the US Surgeon General's office; and be it

12   **FURTHER RESOLVED,** That parents failing to properly vaccinate minor children be fined  
13                    \$100 per year, per child.

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Hallsville High School.*

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## **A Resolution to Request All States to Consider United States Military Personnel and Veterans as Residents of the State for Tuition Purposes at all State Funded Institutions of Higher Learning**

- 1   **WHEREAS,**    United States Military Personnel and Veterans protect or have protected  
2                   all States through their service; and
- 3   **WHEREAS,**    These individuals should be entitled to receive an education at any State  
4                   funded institution in the Nation at a reduced rate due to their service;  
5                   and
- 6   **WHEREAS,**    Some States do not consider these individuals as in-state residents for  
7                   tuition purposes; now, therefore, be it
- 8   **RESOLVED,**   That the UIL Congress here assembled make the following  
9                   recommendation for all States to consider United States Military  
10                  Personnel and Veterans as residents of the State for tuition purposes at  
11                  all State funded institutions of higher learning.

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Carthage High School.*

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## A Bill to Demilitarize Police Officers

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Police officers will no longer be able to use military grade weaponry.

3 **SECTION 2.** "Military grade weaponry" includes all equipment and weapons meant  
4 for mass destruction and used by the United States armed forces. This  
5 would include tear gas, military grade firearms, tanks, camouflage, and  
6 other defined military equipment.

7 **SECTION 3.** The executive branch will enforce this bill.

8 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect in January 2015.

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

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Lindale High school.*

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## A Resolution to Improve Agricultural Subsidies

- 1 **WHEREAS,** The current system of direct subsidies is outdated; and
- 2 **WHEREAS,** Direct payment to farmers encourages them to grow unhealthy crops;
- 3 and
- 4 **WHEREAS,** Surpluses cause the price of these crops to drop dramatically; and
- 5 **WHEREAS,** Direct subsidies only benefit the largest farms; now, therefore, be it
- 6 **RESOLVED,** By the UIL Congress here assembled that all direct subsidies be cut from
- 7 the United States Department of Agriculture subsidies program.

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Union Grove High School.*



## A Resolution to Close Guantanamo Bay

- 1   **WHEREAS,**    President Barack Obama has pledged to close Guantanamo Bay since  
2                    2009, but there has been no action to actually close the facility; and
- 3   **WHEREAS,**    Because Guantanamo Bay is on foreign soil it is not under United States  
4                    law in aspects of fair trial or torture or inhumane treatment; and
- 5   **WHEREAS,**    Guantanamo Bay is infamously known for its torture and inhumane  
6                    treatment of the detainees being held; and
- 7   **WHEREAS,**    Only 55% of detainees being held in Guantanamo are discovered to have  
8                    any relation to terrorist organizations and only 5% are reported to be  
9                    dangerous; and
- 10   **WHEREAS,**   The United Nations has chastised the United States for our continued  
11                   occupancy of Guantanamo Bay and the continuation of the infamous  
12                   prison; now, therefore, be it
- 13   **RESOLVED,**   That the UIL Congress here assembled make the following  
14                   recommendation that the United States close Guantanamo Bay.

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Lindale High School.*

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## A Bill to Require All Public School Districts to Offer a Debate Course as an Elective in High School

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States will require that all public school districts will offer a  
3 debate course as an elective in high school in order to receive any federal  
4 education funds.

5 **SECTION 2.** A debate course will be defined as a course that prepares students to  
6 debate the Cross-Examination and Lincoln-Douglas Debate Topics  
7 adopted by the University Interscholastic League each year. Public  
8 schools must offer the course but will not be required to provide it unless  
9 at least six students sign up for the course.

10 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Education will oversee the enforcement  
11 of this bill.

12 **SECTION 4.** This law will take effect beginning August 1, 2015.

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

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Carthage High School.*

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## A Resolution to Improve Federal Spending

- 1   **WHEREAS,**   As of August 11, 2014 the federal budget deficit was at \$129 billion ; and
- 2   **WHEREAS,**   Welfare spending is the largest item in the US federal budget, totaling
- 3                   over 500 billion dollars in 2013; and
- 4   **WHEREAS,**   the purpose of welfare is to assist citizens without jobs, healthcare,
- 5                   and/or education; and
- 6   **WHEREAS,**   using current welfare funds to create jobs and education for our citizens
- 7                   will decrease the number of citizens without these options; now,
- 8                   therefore, be it
- 9   **RESOLVED,**   That the UIL Congress here assembled decrease the welfare budget by
- 10                  5% each year until it is reduced by 50% of the current budget; and, be it
- 11 **FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the funds cut from the welfare budget each year be given to
- 12                  public educational institutions accordingly: 50% to job-training programs
- 13                  in high schools and colleges; and 50% to academic programs including
- 14                  curriculum, classroom, and academic extra-curricular activities in high
- 15                  schools and colleges.

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Hallsville High School*

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## **A Resolution to Repeal the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act to Focus on Programs that Directly Affect Childhood Obesity**

1 **WHEREAS,** The enactment of the Healthy, Hungry-Free Kids Act generated numerous  
2 fiscal problems including food costs, insufficient food storage and kitchen  
3 equipment, and the forthcoming limits on sodium in lunches; and

4 **WHEREAS,** 1.2 million students from 2010-2013 refused participation with an  
5 additional decline of 1.6 million students refusing to pay full price for the  
6 new menu; and

7 **WHEREAS,** The Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act does not adequately reflect the  
8 cultural norms set in the home; and

9 **WHEREAS,** Regulated food programs do not change individual eating habits  
10 supported outside school walls and are not guaranteed to affect the  
11 childhood obesity rate; now, therefore, be it

12 **RESOLVED,** That the UIL Congress here assembled make the following  
13 recommendation to repeal the costly and ineffective Healthy, Hunger-  
14 Free Kids Act; and, be it

15 **FURTHER RESOLVED,** More resources should be committed to enhancing the *Let's*  
16 *Move!* Program by way of promoting physical activity and researching  
17 preventative measures against childhood obesity.

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Eustace High School.*



## **A Bill to Require All Restaurant Employees to Get Vaccinations to Reduce the Risk of Spreading Contagious Diseases.**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Restaurant employees have a high risk of transmitting contagious  
3 diseases to the public via food distribution.

4 **SECTION 2.** Food distribution is the selling of consumable products. Hepatitis A is one  
5 of the most common infectious diseases that can be spread through  
6 contact with human fecal matter, even in microscopic amounts.

7 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Health and Human Services would require all  
8 restaurant employees to receive vaccinations to reduce spreading such  
9 diseases.

10 **SECTION 4.** Implication of this bill would take place January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015

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

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Brownsboro High School*