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A Bill to Increase Infrastructure Funding for Federal Reservations

1	BE IT ENACTE	D BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2	SECTION 1.	All reservations under federal jurisdiction, accountable to the Department of
3		Interior and the Bureau of Indian Affairs, will obtain increased funding in
4		instances of inadequate conditions.
5	SECTION 2.	Infrastructure is defined as surface transportation, broadband internet,
6		renewable energy generation, electricity transmission, airport capital
7		improvement, ports and waterways, and oil or gas pipelines.
8		Federal Reservations is defined as an area of land reserved for a tribe or tribes
9		under treaty or other agreement with the United States.
10	SECTION 3.	The Department of Interior (DOI) and the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) will
11		oversee the enforcement and implementation of this bill. The Department of
12		Interior (DOI) will oversee the reservations' public lands and minerals, national
13		parks, national wildlife refuges, and western water resources and uphold
14		Federal trust responsibilities to Native American tribes. The Bureau of Indian
15		Affairs (BIA) will oversee and expedite all infrastructure building projects and
16		preparations. Funds will be distributed upon square mileage of reservation,
17		available funding toward infrastructure projects, and overall necessity as
18		negotiated by the Bureau of Indian Affairs.
19	SECTION 4.	This bill will go into effect Jan 31, 2024.
20	SECTION 5.	All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
	Introduced for	UIL Congressional Debate by ESC 8

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A Bill to Establish Real Estate Loans for Non-Profits to Develop Not-For-Profit Housing

1	BE IT ENACTED	D BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2	SECTION 1.	Any 501(c)(3) company that has a core mission of developing affordable housing
3		will qualify for federal loans, below market interest rates, to develop new not-
4		for-profit housing.
5	SECTION 2.	
6		A. Companies will qualify for loans up to 10 million dollars per housing project,
7		and must go toward development of Not-For-Profit housing developments.
8		B. Not-For-Profit housing will be defined as housing projects where consumers
9		are charged rent based solely on the cost of upkeep combined with the cost
10		of servicing project debt, and utilities (if provided).
11		C. Below Market Interest Rate Loans will be defined as variable rate loans at
12		least one percent below Federal Reserve rates with a minimum rate at zero
13		percent.
14	SECTION 3.	The Federal Real Estate Agency (FREA) will be created to manage the loans,
15		observe the development of projects, and will be an arm of the US Housing and
16		Urban Development.
17		A. The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) will oversee enforcement of this
18		legislation.
19		B. Potential Real Estate Fraud will be Investigated by the FBI.
20	SECTION 4.	The FREA will be created by April of 2024, and loans will be available by January
21		of FY25.
22	SECTION 5.	All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
	Introduced for	UIL Congressional Debate by ESC 17.



A Bill to Reform the Prison System in the United States in Order to Decrease the Recidivism Rates

1	BE IT ENACTE	D BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2	SECTION 1.	The United States federal government will implement targeted rehabilitation
3		programs as well as ban the use of private prisons across the country.
4	SECTION 2.	The National Institute of Justice defines recidivism as a person's relapse into
5		criminal behavior. Rehabilitation programs are designed to reduce recidivism
6		among adults who have been convicted of an offense by improving their
7		behaviors, skills, mental health, social functioning, and access to education and
8		employment.
9	SECTION 3.	The Federal Bureau of Prisons will enforce the law.
10		A. Grants will be allocated to local and state prisons for the implementation of
11		rehabilitation programs as well as if their incarcerated population
12		decreases.
13		B. Rehabilitation programs will include cognitive behavioral therapy, substance
14		abuse therapy, education programs, and anger management.
15	SECTION 4.	This will go into effect in August of 2024.
16	SECTION 5.	All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
	Introduced for	UIL Congressional Debate by ESC 10.

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A Bill to Change the Assumed Non-Consent of Organ Procurement

1	BE IT ENACTE	ED BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2	SECTION 1.	The United States federal government should change the presumed non-
3		consent of organ procurement to presumed consent unless expressed
4		otherwise.
5	SECTION 2.	Presumed consent is where citizens over the age of 18 must place their
6		name on a national opt-out register, otherwise their consent for donating
7		their organs will be presumed. The United States' system for organ
8		procurement operates under a model of expressed consent. This means
9		that an individual will not be an organ donor unless he or she explicitly
10		states otherwise.
11	SECTION 3.	The United States Department of Health and Human Services will oversee
12		the implementation of this bill in cooperation with the Health Resources
13		and Services Administration (HRSA).
14		A. The Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network (OPTN) will still
15		be responsible for organ recovery and transplantation.
16		B. The HRSA will still provide oversight of the OPTN.
17	SECTION 4.	This legislation will go into effect immediately upon passing.
18	SECTION 5.	All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
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A Bill to Decrease the Standard Work Week Requirements to 32 Hours a Week

1	BE IT ENACTE	D BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2	SECTION 1.	Amend the Fair Standards of Labor Act to define a full-time employee as
3		one who works at least 32 hours per week and lower the minimum hours
4		a week needed for overtime to 32 hours for non-exempt employees.
5	SECTION 2.	Work week shall be defined as a nationally held standard for and
6		expectation thereof; full-time employment.
7	SECTION 3.	The Department of Labor will oversee the implementation and
8		enforcement of this bill.
9		A. Any employer found in violation of this bill will be liable to a civil
10		penalty not to exceed \$10,000 per employee per week they are in
11		violation of this bill.
12		B. Violators may lose eligibility for public sector grants and funding
13		avenues.
14	SECTION 4.	This legislation will go into effect starting at the beginning of fiscal year
15		2024.
16	SECTION 5.	All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
	Introduced for	UIL Congressional Debate by ESC 7 .



A Bill to Restrict Candidacy for Congressional Candidates Exceeding the Age of 65 at Any Time of their Desired Term

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

- ² **SECTION 1**. Any congressional candidate shall not exceed the age of 65 by the end of
- their congressional term for the seat they are running for.
- ⁴ **SECTION 2**. The term "Congressional candidate" shall be defined as an individual
- running for a seat in the U.S. House of Representatives or U.S. Senate.
- 6 **SECTION 3.** The Federal Election Commission will oversee and enforce the
- 7 implementation of this bill.
- A. The Federal Election Commission will start the enforcement of this bill
- 9 the second election following the implementation of the bill for each
- seat.
- 11 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect beginning on January 1, 2024.
- SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

 Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by ESC 4.



A Bill to Provide Paid Maternity Leave for Pregnant Individuals to Ensure Their Well-being

1	BE IT ENACTE	D BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2	SECTION 1.	Pregnancy often comes with an array of negative health effects that
3		often leave individuals bedridden and in danger of severe economic
4		impacts due to a loss of income. To combat this issue, all businesses must
5		provide pregnant individuals with 20 weeks of paid, job-protected
6		maternity leave.
7	SECTION 2.	Negative health effects are defined as any adverse, possibly life-
8		threatening health issues one may face due to or contributed to as a
9		result of pregnancy.
10	SECTION 3.	The U.S. Department of Labor will oversee the enforcement of this
11		legislation.
12		A. Eligible employees will earn 50% of their paycheck or salary.
13		B. Paid leave can be utilized during the pregnancy and postpartum care
14		within 3 months of the baby's birth.
15	SECTION 4.	This law will take effect on January 1, 2025.
16	SECTION 5.	All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
	Introduced f	or UIL Congressional Debate by ESC 5.



A Bill to Ban Praeger U Materials in Public Schools to Stop the Indoctrination of America's Youth

1	BE IT ENACTE	D BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2	SECTION 1.	Public schools in the United States will be prohibited from purchasing,
3		distributing, or using Praeger U. educational materials in any form.
4	SECTION 2.	Praeger U educational materials shall be defined as any electronic, video,
5		or printed material that is written for the purpose of classroom
6		instruction.
7	SECTION 3.	The United States Department of Education will oversee the enforcement
8		of this legislation. Schools in violation of this bill will lose $\ensuremath{\mathcal{V}}_2$ of all federal
9		funding for a period of 1 year.
10		A. Repeated violations of this legislation will result in an additional 1%
11		decrease in federal funding each year.
12	SECTION 4.	This legislation will go into effect in July of 2024.
13	SECTION 5.	All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
	Introduced for	UIL Congressional Debate by ESC 6.



A Resolution to Deny Legacy and Donor Admissions to College

1	WHEREAS,	College admissions have been embroiled in scandals and legal challenges: and
2	WHEREAS,	A survey of adults in the United States revealed that nearly 75% view legacy
3		admissions as unfair; and
4	WHEREAS,	First generation college and economically disadvantaged students are less likely
5		to be admitted to top tier universities; and
6	WHEREAS,	The Supreme Court of the United States has widened the gap for minority
7		students; now, therefore, be it
8	RESOLVED,	That the UIL Congress here disallow colleges and universities affiliated with the
9		United States from considering family legacy and institutional donors as a part of
10		its admission process.

Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by ESC 12.



A Resolution to Support the United States' Involvement and Funding of Ukraine Defense against Russia

1	WHEREAS,	Russia has attacked Ukraine without being provoked; and
2	WHEREAS,	Ukraine is a sovereign independent country separate from Russia and a member
3		of the United Nations (UN) requesting support against the invasion; and
4	WHEREAS,	Ukraine and other Eastern European countries do not have the resources and
5		power to defend themselves against a country like Russia; and
6	WHEREAS,	If the United States does not support Ukraine along with the Western European
7		countries in this war, Russia will continue to try to resort to more invasions for
8		expansion of other Eastern European countries, resulting in complete chaos in
9		Europe; now, therefore, be it
10	RESOLVED,	That the UIL Congress here assembled make the following recommendation to
11		commit to fully support Ukraine and Eastern European countries as long as
12		necessary to keep Russia from taking over other independent countries.

Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by State Clerk.



A Bill to Fund the Development of the Lithium-Ion Battery Industry

1	BE IT ENACTE	D BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2	SECTION 1.	Congress will increase the Department of Energy's budget by 10%, or
3		about \$15 billion dollars. That budget increase will be allocated to the
4		research and development of lithium-ion batteries, with the intention of
5		providing a cleaner and more reliable source of power.
6	SECTION 2.	Lithium-ion batteries may be defined as rechargeable batteries which use
7		lithium ions to store energy.
8	SECTION 3.	This UIL Congress shall oversee the re-budgeting and the Department of
9		Energy shall be responsible for the organization of lithium-ion research
10		and development.
11		A. Lithium-ion batteries may be developed by grants to private
12		companies and/or by government research at the discretion of the
13		Department of Energy.
14		B. In all areas of fabrication, future production methods will adapt to
15		new battery chemistries and technologies.
16	SECTION 4.	This legislation shall go into effect on January 1, 2025.
17	SECTION 5.	All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
	Introduced for	UIL Congressional Debate by ESC 2 .



A Bill to Develop Desalination Plants in the Southwest United States to Combat Water Insecurity

1	BE IT ENACTE	D BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2	SECTION 1.	The United States will reduce financial barriers to the research and development of
3		new Desalination facilities and technologies, localizing efforts to the Southwest U.S.
4	SECTION 2.	Southwest United States shall include the Southwestern States of California and Texas
5		considering their proximity to the sea and their lack of freshwater security.
6		Desalination facilities that use chemical and physical processes to reduce/recover salt
7		concentration from water supplies.
8	SECTION 3.	The Department of Energy and the Department of Urban Development will
9		collaborate in the enforcement of Desalination efforts alongside state governments.
10		A. The U.S. federal government will provide a \$20 billion categorical grant to the
11		state governments of Texas and California per year for 5 years.
12		B. The U.S. Executive Department will create production and management
13		guidelines that state governments must follow in order to continue receiving
14		funding. If the state governments fail to meet quotas of growth set by the U.S.
15		Executive Departments, they will stop receiving funding.
16	SECTION 4.	This shall be implemented at the beginning of the next year fiscal year after the bill is
17		passed, and the bill will expire after the 5 th fiscal year.
18	SECTION 5.	All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by **ESC 13.**



A Bill to Reinvigorate Education

1	BE IT ENACTED BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:	
2	SECTION 1.	Congress finds that education unequivocally constitutes an activity that
3		substantially affects interstate commerce, holds that an educated society
4		is requisite for promoting the general welfare of the United States, and
5		thus mandates that private elementary and secondary schools be subject
6		to federal regulation as outlined in Section 3 of this Bill.
7	SECTION 2.	A private school is defined as a private business or nonprofit entity that
8		offers or conducts full-time instruction at the primary and/or secondary
9		level.
10	SECTION 3.	The Department of Education shall enforce this bill, and ensure that
11		private schools are in full compliance with:
12		A. The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).
13		B. Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX).
14		C. All previous exemptions for private schools under IDEA and Title IX
15		are hereby abolished.
16		D. Schools that are found to be in violation of IDEA and/or Title IX shall
17		be fined \$50,000 per violation.
18		E. States shall adopt policies to ensure private schools administer state
19		required examinations for elementary and secondary students. States
20		that fail to comply will have federal education funds reduced by 10%
21		for the following fiscal year.
22	SECTION 4.	This bill shall take effect October 1, 2024.
23	SECTION 5.	All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by **ESC 16.**



A Bill to Support the Development of Nuclear Power Technologies to Reduce U.S. use of Fossil Fuels

1	BE II ENACIE	D BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2	SECTION 1.	The United States federal government will provide tax subsidies to aid
3		the building of Nuclear Power Plants and research of nuclear energy
4		technologies.
5	SECTION 2.	A "nuclear power plant" shall be defined as a thermal power station that
6		uses a nuclear reactor as a heat source and produces a significant amount
7		of power for the grid.
8	SECTION 3.	The United States Department of Energy will oversee the implementation
9		of the bill.
10		A. Any nuclear energy company can request tax subsidies at the start of
11		construction of the reactor. Every month the construction site will be
12		checked to ensure that everything is up to code.
13		B. Nuclear energy research facilities will be able to request subsidies in
14		order to assist funding research that will possibly increase the
15		efficiency and decrease the cost of nuclear energy production.
16		C. Upon receiving tax subsidies Nuclear energy companies will receive a
17		10% tax cut.
18	SECTION 4.	This legislation will go into effect the fiscal year of 2024 and last until
19		2044.
20	SECTION 5.	All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
	Introduced for	UIL Congressional Debate by ESC 3 .
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1	BE IT ENACTED	BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2	SECTION 1.	Physicians will be able to administer medically assisted death to their terminally
3		and chronically ill patients upon request.
4		A. Patients must be twenty-one years of age or older to request Euthanasia and must
5		participate in three counseling sessions and a full informational session after
6		request is made.
7		B. Patients have the choice between Active and Passive Euthanasia.
8		C. Two medical physicians and two licensed psychiatrists must separately assess that
9		the patient is in a stable mental state and that their illness is deemed irrecoverable
10		(mentally or physically).
11		D. There is no consequence for any healthcare staff who does not want to take part in
12		euthanasia, and they are allowed to opt out at any given time.
13	SECTION 2.	This bill defines a chronic illness as lasting two or more years, with no chance of
14		recovery/no found cure, stripping away the ability to perform daily tasks and live
15		a "life worth living".
16		Active euthanasia means killing a patient by active means, for example, injecting
17		a patient with a lethal dose of a drug.
18		Passive euthanasia refers to intentionally letting a patient die by withholding
19		artificial life support such as a ventilator or feeding tube.
20		An illness is deemed irrecoverable when it is either a fatal illness or an illness
21		causing the patient to live a low or no quality life.
22	SECTION 3.	This bill will be enforced by The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services'
23		(HHS) Office of the Inspector General (OIG).
24	SECTION 4.	This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2025.
25	SECTION 5.	All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
	Introduced for	Congressional Debate by ESC 20 .

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A Bill to Remove the tie of Attendance to Public School Funding

1	BE IT ENACTE	D BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2	SECTION 1.	Student attendance will no longer be a primary determining factor that
3		determines the amount of government funding a public school shall
4		receive.
5	SECTION 2.	Attendance shall be defined as students who are marked present during
6		the school day.
7	SECTION 3.	The Department of Education shall oversee the implementation of this
8		bill by:
9		A. Allowing school districts to determine their own measuring system
LO		that is education based and shows educational growth in their
l1		population, and
12		B. Approving each campus' individualized plan of measurement to
13		determine funding,
L4	SECTION 4.	Upon passage, schools will be given a one-year span to develop and
L5		present their growth plan.
L6	SECTION 5.	All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
	Introduced for	UIL Congressional Debate by ESC 19.



A Bill to Allow Gender Affirming Care for Children aged 14 and Older

2	SECTION 1.	The United States federal government will allow any individual over the
3		age of 14 to receive any and all gender affirming care without parental or
4		guardian permission.
5	SECTION 2.	Gender Affirming care is any social, medical, surgical and/or legal step
6		that affirms an individual's gender identity.
7	SECTION 3.	The Department of Health and Human Services will oversee the
8		implementation of this bill. The HHS Department will guarantee gender
9		identity and sexual orientation protection for individuals over the age of

BE IT ENACTED BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 4. This bill will be enacted by June 1, 2024.

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

Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by ESC 1.

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A Bill to Raise the Minimum Wage to \$17 to Adjust for Inflation

1	BE IT ENACTE	D BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2	SECTION 1.	The United States shall establish the federal minimum wage as \$17 an
3		hour by 2026 to adjust for increased inflation.
4		A. The current federal minimum wage of \$7.25 an hour shall increase by
5		\$3.25 increments every year, reaching \$17 by 2026.
6		B. The Federal Government shall increase the investment income and
7		individual income taxes placed on households with yearly incomes of \$1
8		million or more by 5%.
9	SECTION 2.	Federal minimum wage shall be defined as the lowest wage per hour that
LO		a worker may be paid in all US states. Investment income shall be defined
l1		as the profit made through any investment type, including but not limited
12		to sale of stocks, capital gains, dividends, etc. Individual income shall be
L3		defined as individual money earned through businesses or other work.
L4	SECTION 3.	The Department of Labor (DOL) and The Department of Labor's Wage
L5		and Hour Division (WHD), as well as the Internal Revenue Service (IRS)
L6		shall be tasked with implementing this legislation.
L7	SECTION 4.	This legislation shall go into effect on January 1st, 2024.
L8	SECTION 5.	All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
	Introduced for	UIL Congressional Debate by ESC 11.



A Bill to Ban Arms Sales to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

1	BE IT ENACTE	D BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2	SECTION 1.	This bill bans the United States Federal Government from selling and providing
3		military aid in the form of Foreign Military Sales and Direct Commercial Sales to
4		the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, hereafter referred to as Saudi Arabia. This bill is
5		introduced to remedy continued humans' rights abuses in Saudi Arabia.
6	SECTION 2.	A. Foreign Military Sales (FMS)- A U.S. Government program for transferring
7		defense articles, services, and training to our international partners and
8		international organizations.
9		B. Direct Commercial Sales (DCS)-When U.S. companies obtain commercial
10		export licenses, allowing them to directly negotiate and sell defense articles and
11		services to foreign nations.
12	SECTION 3.	The Department of Defense, in cooperation with the Department of State, will
13		oversee the implementation and enforcement of this bill.
14		A. The Department of Defense will suspend all Foreign Military Sales.
15		B. The Department of State will suspend all Direct Commercial Sales licenses.
16		C. All sales in effect past January 1 st , 2024, will be canceled, and any company
17		found violating this law will have all DCS licenses suspended indefinitely and
18		fined an amount not exceeding 100 million dollars.
19		D. The Department of State will give bi-annual reports on the state of human
20		rights abuses in Saudi Arabia to the House Foreign Affairs Committee and
21		the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.
22	SECTION 4.	This Bill will go into effect on January 1, 2025.
23	SECTION 5.	All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
	Introduced for	UIL Congressional Debate by State Clerk.



A Resolution to Recommend a Joint U.S./Canadian/U.N. Presence in Haiti to Facilitate the Reestablishment of a Legitimate Government

1	WHEREAS,	The nation of Haiti has been in a power vacuum since the assassination of
2		its president in 2021 resulting in unprecedented chaos; and
3	WHEREAS,	The terms of Haiti's last 10 remaining senators officially expired in
4		January 2023, leaving the Caribbean country without a single elected
5		government official; and
6	WHEREAS,	The nation is now controlled by the G9 gang coalition with Haiti
7		devastated by a set of intersecting catastrophes: famine, cholera,
8		rampant drug trading through the international community, devastating
9		gang violence, fuel shortages, and economic collapse; and
10	WHEREAS,	The joint mission to bring order and peace in Haiti would include
11		diplomatic, military, economic, and humanitarian restoration efforts;
12		now, therefore, be it
13	RESOLVED,	That the UIL Congress here assembled make the following
14		recommendation for a multi-lateral mission among the U.S., Canada, and
15		the U.N. and, be it
16	FURTHER RES	OLVED, That this endeavor is not restricted by a deadline for resolution
17		nor intended to be a permanent involvement.
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