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## A Bill to Expedite the Control of Illegal Immigration

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In an effort to control the tsunami of immigration currently affecting the  
3 United States and especially its southern border, the following triggers  
4 will be mandated. Any month realizing a total in excess of 10,000  
5 undocumented immigrants crossing into the United States will require  
6 that the affected border segment(s) be closed until the U. S. Congress  
7 addresses the crisis by enacting appropriate and targeted legislation.

8 **SECTION 2.** Closing the border will mean a full closure of legal and illegal crossings via  
9 ports of entry and other points. This may include the use of the military if  
10 required. Enacted legislation will be given a three-month period to lower  
11 the illegal immigration below the threshold before subsequent iteration  
12 of the bill.

13 **SECTION 3.** The United States Border Patrol will be authorized to implement this  
14 policy upon reaching the threshold.

15 A. The Commissioner for U.S. Customs and Border Protection will be  
16 authorized to close any section of the U.S. border exhibiting the  
17 increase in illegal immigration.

18 B. Commerce may be exempted at the discretion of the President.

19 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect immediately upon passage.

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

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



## A Bill to Abolish Property Taxes

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Property taxes are one of the most significant annual costs for  
3 homeowners.

4 **SECTION 2.** Property tax-a tax paid on property owned by an individual or other legal  
5 entity

6 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Department of Treasury will implement this bill.

7 A. Property taxes are unequal and disproportionate.

8 **SECTION 4.** This bill will be implemented by January 2025.

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

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



## **A Bill to Restrict Pharmaceutical Companies' Influence on Lawmaking and Campaigning**

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A bill should be passed to prevent pharmaceutical companies from  
3 influencing lawmaking and campaigning.

4 **SECTION 2.** Pharmaceutical company- a commercial business licensed to research,  
5 develop, market and/or distribute drugs.  
6 Influence - the capacity to have an effect on the character, development,  
7 or behavior of someone or something, or the effect itself.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Federal Drug Administration will oversee the implementation.

9 A. Create a committee to oversee stricter laws concerning  
10 pharmaceutical companies.

11 B. Develop a checks and balances committee to oversee donations.

12 **SECTION 4.** This bill should be passed and implemented by January 2025.

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

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



## **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 RESOLVED,** That this endeavor is not restricted by a deadline for resolution  
17                  nor intended to be a permanent involvement.

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Borden County High School.*



## A Bill to Expand Access to Naloxone to Combat Opioid Crisis

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

2 **SECTION 1.** This bill seeks to address the national opioid crisis by implementing a  
3 multifaceted approach that includes prevention, treatment, hard  
4 reduction, and law enforcement to curb the opioid epidemic.

5 **SECTION 2. Opioid Crisis:** a public health emergency characterized by the widespread  
6 misuse and addiction to opioid substances.

7 **Harm reduction:** Strategies and programs designed to reduce the  
8 negative consequences of drug use.

9 **Treatment and Recovery Programs:** Programs/services aimed at helping  
10 individuals with opioid addiction receive treatment and counseling.

11 **Naloxone:** A medication that can rapidly reverse opioid effects.

12 **SECTION 3.** Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)  
13 will oversee the enforcement of the bill along with harm reduction and  
14 treatment and recovery programs.

15 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall go into effect January 1, 2025, with immediate  
16 implementation of naloxone distribution programs overseen by SAMHSA.

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

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



## **A Bill to Establish Age Restrictions for all Federal Government Positions to Ensure a More Diverse and Representative Government**

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Individuals will not be allowed to run for any government positions after  
3 they reach the age of sixty-five years old. The age limit restricts anyone  
4 above sixty-five to run or attempt to run for office.

5 **SECTION 2.** Government position shall be defined as a role or job within a  
6 government organization, encompassing elected and appointed officials  
7 responsible for governance and administration.

8 **SECTION 3.** This bill will be enforced by the Department of Justice. Individuals will  
9 automatically not be allowed to run for office and will be discarded from  
10 the system if not in accordance.

11 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will be implemented in January 2028.

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

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Denver City High School.*



## A Bill to Ban AI Humanoid Creation

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States federal government shall ban the creation of AI  
3 Humanoids.

4 **SECTION 2.** AI Humanoids is a non-human entity with human form or characteristics.

5 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Defense (DOD) shall oversee the  
6 enforcement of this legislation.

7 A. The DOD will monitor all creation of new AI technologies.

8 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect immediately upon passage.

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

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Lubbock Roosevelt High School.*





## A Bill to Require Open Primary Elections Throughout the Entire United States

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Primary elections will become unanimously open throughout the entire  
3 United States.

4 **SECTION 2.** Open primary elections are defined as a primary election where voters  
5 are not required to declare party affiliation.

6 **SECTION 3.** States that do not currently have this model of primary elections will  
7 adopt it under the advisement and regulation of the Federal Election  
8 Commission (FEC).

9 **SECTION 4.** This bill will be implemented during the next primary election after  
10 passing.

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

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Springlake-Earth High School.*



## A Bill to Establish Rehabilitation Instead of Incarceration

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

2 **SECTION 1.** All inmates or individuals who are convicted with charges of either  
3 alcohol abuse or drug possession will be placed into rehabilitation centers  
4 as substitution to incarceration.

5 **SECTION 2.** Incarceration is defined as the state of being confined in prison.  
6 Rehabilitation is defined as the action to restore someone to health or  
7 normal life through training and therapy.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Federal Sentencing Commission will oversee this legislation.  
9 A. The Federal Sentencing Commission will ensure that any individual  
10 convicted of either possession of narcotics, possession of  
11 paraphernalia, illegal use of a prescription drug, marijuana  
12 possession, DUI, DWI, minor in possession of alcohol, open container,  
13 and public intoxication will be given the opportunity to substitute  
14 incarceration for rehabilitation.

15 B. The Federal Sentencing Commission will ensure that if these  
16 individuals do not have said charges, then they will not be given the  
17 opportunity to use this legislation.

18 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will be implemented within two months of being passed.

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

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Springlake-Earth High School.*



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

1 BE IT ENACTED 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 Lubbock High School.*

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## A Bill to Disband the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA)

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

2 **SECTION 1.** This bill aims to disband the CIA and initiate a structured process for the  
3 termination of its functions and operations, while ensuring the protection  
4 of national security and the safeguarding of classified information.

5 **SECTION 2. CIA:** The Central Intelligence Agency, a federal agency responsible for  
6 intelligence and national security activities. **Disband:** the act of formally  
7 dissolving or terminating an organization or group, often by discontinuing  
8 its activities and operations. **Relevant Government Agencies:** Federal  
9 agencies, departments, or entities responsible for national security,  
10 intelligence, and foreign affairs.

11 **SECTION 3.** The disbandment and transition process will be as follows:  
12 A. The President shall appoint a bipartisan committee.  
13 B. The President shall issue an executive order detailing the transfer of  
14 functions and responsibilities to relevant government agencies.  
15 C. The President and Congress shall ensure that the transfer process  
16 does not compromise national security, intelligence capabilities, or  
17 the protection of classified information.

18 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall go into effect on January 1, 2024, with the disbandment  
19 process to be completed within two years.

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

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



## A Bill to Remove Stipulations on Federal Education Based Grants in the United States

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States will remove any stipulations for federal education-  
3 based grants.

4 **SECTION 2.** The United States federal government will remove any stipulation schools  
5 must adhere by to receive federal funding and base funding from  
6 individual populations of each school.

7 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Education will oversee this bill. The  
8 regulations on educational funds must adhere to the following:

9 A. Funding will be based on the number of students enrolled in school of  
10 each state.

11 B. A minimum of \$1,150 per student will be granted from the federal  
12 government.

13 C. Any school in the United States will no longer have to follow  
14 programs or rules set by the federal government in order to receive  
15 funding.

16 D. States will be granted funding from the federal government and will  
17 decide how the funds are allocated.

18 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will be implemented immediately upon passage.

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

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Springlake-Earth High School.*

## **A Resolution to Adopt the NCSS II Standards to Provide Enhanced Cyber Security for all Agencies of the U.S.**



## **A Bill to Enforce all Internet Applications and/or Programming with Picture Capabilities to Install Child Pornography Prevention Detection Software**

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The program that Microsoft Germany uses to detect/prevent child  
3 pornography should be expanded to the U.S. It should be mandatory that  
4 any app or site that can send pictures has the software installed.

5 **SECTION 2.** The software that will be used contains an AI algorithm that pre-sorts the  
6 deconstructed image files and accurately classifies them into four  
7 categories: images showing criminal depictions of child- or teen abuse,  
8 images of permitted adult pornography, or any other images. The  
9 definition of child pornography is as stated in Federal law [18 U.S.C.  
10 §2256(8)].

11 **SECTION 3.** The Federal Communications Commission will oversee the enforcement  
12 of this bill. The funding for this bill will come from the IIJA (The  
13 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act).

14 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect as soon as it is signed.

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

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



## **A Bill to Increase Funding for Federal Meat Inspectors to Combat Job Overload**

BE IT ENACTED BY THIS UIL CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1.** The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) will receive an additional \$750,000,000 to be added to the 2024 budget and allocated to the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) to increase the number of USDA inspectors hired for meat and poultry inspection programs.

**SECTION 2.** A. Food inspection program shall be defined as any action taken by FSIS to ensure the safety of meat and poultry product through the visual inspection of said products by USDA inspectors.

B. USDA inspectors can be defined as trained individuals contracted by the USDA through FSIS to visually inspect meat and poultry products and the environment in which they are processed.

**SECTION 3.** The USDA Office of Budget and Program Analysis will enforce this bill by recording the spending of allocated funds and providing an updated federal budget report.

A. FSIS will oversee the spending of the allocated funds within its meat and poultry inspection programs to hire inspectors and adjust salaries as necessary.

B. Funding will come from agricultural investment transaction taxes.

**SECTION 4.** This law will go into effect immediately upon passage.

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

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Borden County High School.*





## A Bill to Enforce Stricter Regulations for Welfare Benefits

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

2 **Section 1.** Families receiving welfare benefits must provide documentation and  
3 adhere to guidelines for benefits.

4 **Section 2.** Documentation: material that provides official information or evidence  
5 that serves as a record.

6 Evaluation: the making of a judgement about the amount, number, or  
7 value of something.

8 **SECTION 3.** Department of Health and Human Resources will oversee the  
9 enforcement of this bill.

10 A. Drug tests will be administered at local community centers weekly.

11 B. Welfare benefit recipients will be required to submit a work  
12 performance evaluation or documentation of job

13 applications/interviews at local community center monthly.

14 C. When applying for welfare benefits, recipients will provide a realistic  
15 timeline for necessary welfare benefits.

16 **SECTION 4.** Passage of this bill will be January 2025.

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

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



## A Bill to Establish a Supreme Court Ethics Panel to Increase Court Transparency

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The Judicial Conference of the United States shall issue a code of conduct: The  
3 code of conduct may include provisions that are only applicable to certain  
4 categories of justices or judges but must apply to all courts of the United States.

5 **SECTION 2.** Code of conduct: the ethical canons that apply to federal judges, providing  
6 guidance on their official duties in the Court and in a variety of outside activities.

7 **SECTION 3.** The Supreme Court of the United States shall fix the compensation of and  
8 appoint advisors to an Ethics Investigation Counsel. The Counsel shall adopt  
9 rules providing for the enforcement of the defined code of conduct, including a  
10 process to receive information from the public about potential violations of the  
11 code of conduct by the justices of the federal courts.

12 A. Term – The Ethics investigation Counsel members shall serve a term of 4  
13 years.

14 B. The Ethics Investigation Counsel may be removed by the Supreme Court.

15 C. The Ethics Investigation Counsel shall issue an annual public report  
16 describing the complaints described in section 3.

17 **SECTION 4.** Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this bill, the Judicial  
18 conference shall issue the code of conduct. Not later than 90 days after the  
19 code of conduct is issued the Supreme Court will establish the Ethics  
20 Investigation Council

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

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

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## A Bill to Require Supermarkets to Donate Unsold Food

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States federal government will require supermarkets to  
3 donate unsold food.

4 **SECTION 2.** The United States federal government will require supermarkets that are  
5 400 sq meters (4,305 sq ft) or above to sign donation contracts with  
6 charities or food banks or face a penalty of \$2,000.

7 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) shall oversee the  
8 enforcement of this legislation.

9 A. The FDA shall require CEOs/Presidents/Bosses of Supermarkets that  
10 are 400 sq meters (4,305 sq ft) or above to sign a donation contract  
11 with a charity or food bank of their choice.

12 B. Whatever charity or food bank they choose to sign with, they must  
13 donate excess/unsold food products to them.

14 C. Refusal to comply will result in a penalty of \$2,000.

15 **SECTION 4.** The bill will be implemented immediately upon passage.

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

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Lubbock Roosevelt High School.*



## A Bill to Reduce U.S. Funding to NATO

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States will reduce the contribution to NATO to the minimum  
3 commitment of 2% of the US GDP. The U.S. is currently spending over 3%  
4 of our GDP toward NATO. This funds 16.19% of NATO's annual budget.

5 **SECTION 2.** A. NATO is the North Atlantic Treaty Organization founded in 1949 with  
6 the goal protecting Western and European nations.

7 B. GDP is the Gross Domestic Product which measure monetary amounts  
8 of goods and services in a country.

9 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Defense will implement and regulate the amount  
10 spent to NATO.

11 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go in effect on October 1, 2024 which is the beginning of the  
12 U.S. fiscal year.

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

*Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by O'Donnell High School.*



## A Bill to Reduce Food Loss in United States Food Production

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States discards more food than any other country in the  
3 world, averaging 120 billion pounds per year.

4 **SECTION 2.** Food loss is the edible food that is available for human consumption but  
5 is not consumed.

6 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Agriculture will oversee and enforce  
7 this bill by fining food production and processing entities that contribute  
8 to major food loss.

9 A. For every 5% above 10% of food wasted by a food production or  
10 processing entity, a fine of \$10,000 per 5% will be imposed.

11 B. A fine may be imposed monthly per that month's food losses.

12 C. Fines will be used for funding more sustainable food production  
13 research and aiding citizens suffering from food insecurity.

14 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect as soon as it is passed.

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

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