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AM-1 A Bill to Halt Federal Funding for Offshore Wind Projects and Redirect Resources to Proven Renewable Energy Initiatives

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Federal funding/support for the development and implementation of
3 new offshore wind energy projects shall be halted, and the funds will be
4 redirected to other, more established renewable energy initiatives.

5 **SECTION 2.** "Offshore Wind Energy Projects" refers to any planned or ongoing
6 initiative to produce electricity through wind turbines located off the
7 coast of any body of water within the jurisdiction of the United States.
8 "Proven Renewable Energy Initiatives" include solar, hydroelectric, and
9 onshore wind energy projects.

10 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Energy (DOE) will oversee the enforcement of this bill.

11 A. The DOE will conduct an audit within 90 days of the enactment of this
12 legislation to identify and halt current federal financial commitments
13 to offshore wind energy projects.

14 B. Redirected funds shall be allocated towards established renewable
15 energy initiatives, as determined by the DOE, within 180 days of the
16 bill's enactment.

17 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2025.

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

Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by William P. Clements High School.

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AM-2 A Resolution to Sanction Pakistan to Halt Terrorist Aid

- 1 **WHEREAS,** The United States spent billions of tax payer dollars in the form of aid to
2 Pakistan in their fight towards terrorism that has remained
3 unsuccessful; and
- 4 **WHEREAS,** Said financial aid has been used to undermine United States diplomatic
5 measures. They have been said to have aided the Taliban operations
6 and diplomatic support; and
- 7 **WHEREAS,** The Taliban has been connected to 282 attacks in the past year alone in
8 which the United States' funding has been misused to operate; and
- 9 **WHEREAS,** Sanctions incentivize Pakistan to reform their use of U.S. aid; now,
10 therefore, be it
- 11 **RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled shall sanction Pakistan until terrorist
12 aid is halted.

Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Lawrence E. Elkins High School

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AM-3 The Promote Endurance and Columbian Equality (P.E.A.C.E.) Act

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The U.S. federal government shall disburse \$20 million to the agriculture sector
3 in Columbia.

4 A. All funding shall be disbursed to Colombian citizens via microloans through non-
5 governmental organizations (NGOs)

6 **SECTION 2.** Microloans are a small sum of money lent at low or no interest.

7 **SECTION 3.** USAID will be tasked in distributing the microloans to the NGOs.

8 A. The U.S. Ambassador to Colombia and USAID shall submit independent
9 quarterly reports on the impact the microloans have on violence in the
10 country.

11 B. The Inter-American Development Bank shall be tasked with awarding
12 contracts to the specific NGOs specified in Section 1.

13 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall take effect on the first day of the next fiscal year and all laws in
14 conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Katy Jordan High School.

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AM-4 A Bill to Increase U.S. Railway Safety

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. All railway companies utilizing U.S. railway systems will be required to implement the following additional safety measures:

A. Personnel standards

1. A minimum of 2-person crews will be required for all railway operations.
2. Staffing levels must be maintained to ensure that no individuals are required to work more than 48 hours per week.
3. All companies must provide a minimum of 3 days of paid sick leave per year for employees.

B. Safety standards

1. Electronically controlled pneumatic (ECP) brakes will be required on all trains transporting hazardous materials.
2. Maximum train length will be limited to 10,000 feet.
3. Participation in a unified, real-time, satellite (GPS) navigation system to monitor railway traffic will be required.

SECTION 2. The U.S. Department of Transportation will oversee the implementation of these requirements with enforcement through the Federal Railroad Administration.

A. The maximum fine for violation of safety regulations will be increased to \$1 million per incident.

B. The Department of Transportation will allocate \$10 million to develop a real-time GPS navigation application system for U.S. railways in conjunction with the U.S. technology sector.

SECTION 4. This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2025. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by James E Taylor High School.

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AM-5 A Bill to Provide Funding for Protection from Storm Surge Intrusion into Galveston Bay

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States federal government will provide funding of \$31 Billion
3 to construct a storm surge intrusion protection system, also known as the
4 Ike Dike, for Galveston Bay and communities. These funds will help
5 protect the communities and critical industries along the Houston-
6 Galveston area.

7 **SECTION 2.** Storm surge is defined by the National Hurricane Center as an abnormal
8 rise of water generated by the storm, over and above the predicted
9 astronomical tide.

10 **SECTION 3.** The Army Corps of Engineers will oversee the project and construct the
11 dike.

12 A. The project is named the "Ike Dike" because of the \$38 billion
13 damage and loss of life attributed to the storm surge of Hurricane Ike
14 in 2008.

15 B. Storm surge causes the most damage and greatest loss of life during a
16 hurricane and the Galveston Sea Wall does not offer protection for
17 Galveston Bay.

18 **SECTION 4.** Construction of the dike will begin as soon as funding is secured and will
19 take fifteen years to complete.

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

Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Paetow High School.

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AM-6 The Mission for Advancing NASA's Aerospace Science (MANAS) Act

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The National Aeronautics Space Administration (NASA) will redirect \$10 billion
3 dollars from private space corporations for fiscal year 2024 and each
4 subsequent fiscal year for the purpose of improving NASA's facilities and
5 infrastructure in support of the development and construction of a permanent
6 Moon base.

7 **SECTION 2.**

8 A. The term "Moon base" means a self-sustaining, habitable facility
9 constructed on the surface of the Moon, capable of supporting human life
10 and scientific research activities.

11 B. Private corporations shall be defined as companies such as SpaceX and Blue
12 Origin or space companies worth over \$30 billion dollars.

13 **SECTION 3.** NASA shall be tasked with the implementation of this legislation.

14 A. \$10 billion dollars shall be redirected from private corporations every year
15 to support the implementation.

16 B. Annual audits shall be carried out to ensure that research and development
17 is making significant progress.

18 C. If it is determined that after 10 years enough progress has not been made,
19 this legislation will be declared null and void.

20 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2025.

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

Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Seven Lakes High School

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AM-7 A Bill to End International Labor Exploitations

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

2 **SECTION 1.** All companies that are headquartered within the United States shall pay
3 international and immigrant workers at a set international wage standard
4 for the U.S.

5 **SECTION 2.** The international wage standard will be at 12 dollars an hour and shall be
6 adjusted to inflation every 5 years.

7 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Department of Commerce will oversee and enforce the
8 legislation.

9 A. Any company found to not comply can be fined up to 10,000 dollars per
10 worker.

11 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect in FY 2025.

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

Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Spring Woods High School.

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PM-1 A Bill to Implement AI to Aid in Congressional Redistricting to Prevent Gerrymandering

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

2 **SECTION 1.** State legislatures must consult independent “Artificial Intelligence” (AI)
3 firms when redistricting Congressional Districts. The AI drawn
4 Congressional District maps must be made public alongside the new
5 Congressional District maps.

6 **SECTION 2.**

7 A. AI will be defined as a computer system that uses human parameters to
8 analyze their environment, perceive information, and solve problems to
9 achieve specific goals.

10 B. Consult will be defined as seeking information, inspiration, or advice from.

11 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Census Bureau will oversee the implementation and
12 enforcement of this bill.

13 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take into effect upon the next congressional redistrict
14 after the 2030 census.

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

Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Clear Creek High School.

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PM-2 Save Somalia Act

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Department of State shall provide resources and assist
3 Somalia in consensus building to reconcile opposing factions and hold a
4 fair and transparent election for a new democratic government. Failure
5 to comply will result in the removal of all U.S. Armed Forces from Somalia
6 with the exception of those assigned to protect the US embassy in
7 Somalia.

8 **SECTION 2.** Consensus building shall be defined as a point of political agreement
9 between all factions to combat their lack of cohesion in government.

10 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of State will be in charge of the oversight
11 of this legislation.

12 A. They will be in charge of meeting with key Somali faction leaders, civil
13 society organizations, and political leaders to find common ground.

14 B. The Department of State will also be tasked with providing technical
15 expertise in drafting agreement and other documents that finalize the
16 outline the terms of consensus.

17 **SECTION 4.** The legislation shall go into effect on December 1st, 2024.

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

Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Lawrence E Elkins High School

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PM-3 A Bill to End the Syrian Drug Trade

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** In stipulation that Syria end their inter-country narcotics trade, the United States shall
3 hereby repeal the Caesar Syria Civilian Protection Act of 2019.

4 **SECTION 2.** The Caesar Syria Civilian Protection Act of 2019 shall be defined as the act that put
5 sanctions on all Syrian trade and barred them from participating in global trade,
6 effectively collapsing the Syrian economy. Infrastructure recovery aid shall be defined as
7 aid for building roads, solar panels, public schools, and water irrigation systems.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Department of State in cooperation with USAID shall be responsible for allocating
9 the aid given under this legislation.

10 A. At the time of implementation, the United States will give the Syrian Arab Republic
11 \$500 million in infrastructure recovery aid.

12 B. After a 6-month period, a comprehensive audit of the Syrian government's
13 utilization of the aid will take place. If it is deemed, they use the aid effectively, the
14 Syrian government shall be given \$1 billion each year for a 10-year term thereafter.

15 C. USAID will measure the progress made by the Syrian Government in ending the
16 drug trade. USAID shall submit requirements the Syrian government must fulfill to
17 receive aid to the Senate for ratification for approval.

18 D. The Department of Foreign Affairs shall conduct a bi-yearly audit of the utilization
19 of the aid.

20 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2024. All laws in conflict with this legislation
21 are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Katy Jordan High School.

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PM-4 A Bill to Codify U.S. Supreme Court Ethical Standards

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Members of the United States Supreme Court will be required to adhere to
3 prescribed judicial codes of conduct governing other federal court systems.

4 **SECTION 2.** Under this Code of Conduct Justices will

5 A. File a public financial disclosure report that includes investments by
6 members of the Justice's immediate family.

7 B. Perform the duties of office fairly, impartially, and diligently.

8 C. Recuse from cases in which there is an appearance of impropriety.

9 D. Refrain from political activity.

10 E. Avoid extrajudicial activities that would be inconsistent with the obligations
11 of office.

12 **SECTION 3.** The Administrative Office of the US Courts will oversee enforcement of these
13 standards.

14 A. Violations of these standards may be reported to the Administration Office
15 (AO) for investigation.

16 B. Justices found in violation of these standards may be subject to any or all of
17 the following:

18 1. Mandatory recusal from any participation in cases in question.

19 2. Suspension of duties for a specified period of time.

20 3. Referral to Congress with recommendation for impeachment.

21 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect immediately upon passage. All laws in conflict
22 with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by James E. Taylor High School.

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PM-5 A Resolution to Prevent Bills Being Filed to Eliminate the Electoral College

- 1 **WHEREAS,** The Electoral College was established in Article II, Section 1, Clause 3 of
2 the United States Constitution by our Found Fathers; and
- 3 **WHEREAS,** It was established as a compromise between the election of the President
4 of the United States by a vote in Congress and by popular vote; and
- 5 **WHEREAS,** The United States Constitution is the law of the land and cannot be
6 changed by passage of a legislative bill; and
- 7 **WHEREAS,** The United States Constitution is absolute and can only be amended by
8 ratification by two-thirds of the states,
- 9 **RESOLVED,** That the UIL Congress here assembled will no longer allow bills
10 eliminating the Electoral College through legislative action be filed.
- 11 **FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the UIL Congress here assembled will only accept actions on
12 elimination of the Electoral College through the amendment process.

Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Paetow High School.

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PM-6 The Pakistani Aid Revocation to Target the Haqqani Network (P.A.R.T.H. N.) ACT

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A. The United States shall suspend all existing aid programs currently
3 earmarked or allocated to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

4 B. Aid will be redirected to the Department of Defense (DOD) and USAID
5 for the purposes of pursuing Anti-Terrorism and providing humanitarian
6 assistance respectively to those affected by terror in Pakistan.

7 **SECTION 2.** “Aid” shall be defined as any money being sent to Pakistan by the United
8 States government. It shall exclude private sector trade.

9 **SECTION 3.** The US Department of State (DOS) in conjunction with the Department of
10 Defense (DOD) will oversee the implementation of this legislation.

11 A. 50% of aid revoked will be redirected to the DOD for the purposes of
12 increasing anti-terrorism initiatives and campaigns in Pakistan to quell
13 terrorist insurgency.

14 B. The remaining 50% of aid will be redirected to the United States
15 Agency for International Development (USAID) for the purposes of
16 providing humanitarian assistance for those afflicted by terrorism in
17 Pakistan and surrounding regions.

18 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect at the start of FY 2025.

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

Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by Seven Lakes High School.

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PM-7 A Bill to Give Central America Corruption Aid

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States federal government shall give a billion dollars in
3 financial aid to Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) inside of
4 Honduras, El Salvador, and Guatemala to put an end to corruption, and
5 improve critical infrastructure in Central America.

6 **SECTION 2.** Financial Aid will include but is not limited to economic assistance and
7 the funding of resources to help terminate corruption in the region.

8 Critical infrastructure will be defined as assets that are essential to the
9 functioning of a society and economy such as election buildings,
10 government buildings, etc.

11 **SECTION 3.** The Organization of American States (OAS) will oversee the enforcement
12 and implementation of this legislation and ensure that 500 million dollars
13 will go towards NGOs.

14 A. This bill will also fund and reestablish the International Commission
15 against Impunity in Guatemala (CICIG) and the Mission to Support the
16 Fight against Corruption and Impunity in Honduras (MACCIH)

17 B. The USAID will receive 500 million dollars to share with Central
18 American governments to improve critical infrastructure.

19 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go in effect FY 2024.

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

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