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# 101. A BILL TO SUPPORT POLICING IN SMALL TOWNS

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

1 SECTION 1. \$125 million shall be allocated to help establish and support police  
2 departments in small towns. This money will go towards establishing or  
3 maintaining local police departments in small towns lacking sufficient  
4 police resources.

5 SECTION 2. A “small town” is defined as an area with a population of 2,500 or fewer,  
6 and is more than 20 miles from any incorporated municipality. “Lacking  
7 sufficient police resources” is defined as any Law Enforcement Agency  
8 with insufficient funding, resources, or personnel to adequately handle  
9 crime that occurs in their jurisdiction.

10 SECTION 3. This bill shall go into effect July 1, 2024.

11 SECTION 4. The Department of Justice shall be tasked with enforcing this bill  
12 A. The Department of Justice shall create a board that will be tasked  
13 with reviewing crime statistics and extending funding offers to  
14 small towns.  
15 B. Small Towns may file a request for funds via the Department of  
16 Justice’s board.

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

Respectfully submitted,  
*Wellington Community High School*

## 102. A BILL TO REQUIRE THE U.S. TO RELY SOLELY ON NUCLEAR ENERGY BY 2050 TO PREVENT A FUTURE ENERGY CRISIS

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

- 1 SECTION 1. The United States will completely switch to nuclear power by the year  
2 2050. Energy companies will begin the planning phase by 2025, will start  
3 building nuclear power plants by 2030 and by 2050 they will completely  
4 switch to nuclear power. Oil reserves will run dry by 2050 creating an  
5 energy crisis as "green energy sources" are not suitable for powering the  
6 world and nuclear power is the cleanest, most efficient and most reliable  
7 energy source.
- 8 SECTION 2. Nuclear power is defined as energy derived from nuclear fission or  
9 fusion. An energy crisis is defined as a shortage of energy.
- 10 SECTION 3. The United States Energy Commission will enforce this legislation by  
11 issuing fines to energy companies that do not meet deadlines including  
12 to begin the planning phase by 2025 or begin building nuclear power  
13 plants by 2030.
- 14 SECTION 4. This legislation will take effect on January 1st, 2024.
- 15 SECTION 5. All other laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby null and void.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Rep. Jack A. Comber, Stuart Middle School*

## 103. A BILL TO RESTRICT THE USE OF TOBACCO TO SAVE OUR YOUTH FROM ADDICTION

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

1 SECTION 1. All people born after January 1st, 2006 shall be prohibited from the trade  
2 and consumption of tobacco and tobacco products. All born before  
3 January 1st, 2006 shall not be prohibited from continuing the trade and  
4 consumption of tobacco.

5 Following the passing of this legislation, State's must enact their own  
6 legislation that includes the following:

7 A. No consumption of tobacco and tobacco products

8 B. No buying or selling tobacco or their products

9 SECTION 2. Tobacco is defined as any nicotine product including, but not limited to  
10 cigarettes, E-cigarettes, vapes, and chewing tobacco.

11 SECTION 3. States must enact their own legislation following this bill's guidelines and  
12 City/county law enforcement agencies will enforce state law as directed  
13 by the federal mandate. The punishment for this crime will be from 2-20  
14 years in state prison depending on the quantity of tobacco.

15 SECTION 4. This legislation will take effect on FY January 1st, 2024.

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

Respectfully submitted,  
*Rep. John Morgan, Stuart Middle School*

## 104. A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION TO PROTECT MIRANDA RIGHTS

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1 **RESOLVED,** That the following article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United  
2 States, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when  
3 ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states within seven years from  
4 the date of its submission by the Congress:

5 **ARTICLE —**

6 **SECTION 1.** Any person being detained by law enforcement as a criminal suspect must be informed of  
7 their right to silence and protection from self-incrimination, popularly known as Miranda  
8 Rights, per the 1966 Supreme Court case *Miranda v. Arizona* and the 1984 Supreme Court  
9 case *Berkemer v. McCarty*.

10 **SECTION 2.** Any detainee or suspect whose rights are deprived of them through a law enforcement  
11 officer's failure to inform them explicitly of these rights in a timely manner may pursue  
12 legal action against the negligent officer, that officer's employer, or both.

13 **SECTION 3.** The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

Respectfully submitted,  
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## 105. A BILL TO STRENGTHEN THE ANTI-FRAUD MEASURES OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

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1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** The Social Security Administration (SSA) is directed to reimagine and redesign their systems  
3 for assigning and maintaining identification credentials, as well as the cards they provide as  
4 verification of those credentials, with the goal of preventing and addressing fraud.

5 **SECTION 2.** Congress shall apportion an extra \$500 million per year for the next five years to the SSA to  
6 support them in achieving this goal, with the expectation that they succeed in doing so no  
7 later than five years from the date this legislation takes effect.

8 **SECTION 3.** The SSA shall oversee this legislation, though they are directed to work with the  
9 Department of Justice (DOJ) to leverage that agency's expertise in preventing and  
10 addressing fraud.

11 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2024.

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

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## 106. A RESOLUTION TO APOLOGIZE FOR THE IRAQ WAR

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1   **WHEREAS** The Downing Street Memo and other sources that have become available in the last two  
2                   decades have provided a concerning amount of evidence that the United States’  
3                   motivations in going to war with Iraq were a severe breach of the country’s values; and  
4   **WHEREAS** The accusations the United States made concerning the Saddam Hussein regime’s secret  
5                   accumulation of weapons of mass destruction and collusion with the perpetrators of the  
6                   September 11 attacks have proven to be wholly unfounded and arguably even fabricated  
7                   by design; and  
8   **WHEREAS** This war resulted in incalculable damage, trauma, and hardship in the region, including the  
9                   deaths of thousands of U.S. soldiers and hundreds of thousands of Iraqis, as many of  
10                  200,000 of whom were civilians; now, therefore be it  
11   **RESOLVED** by the Congress here assembled that this body sincerely and humbly apologizes to the  
12                  Republic of Iraq and the Iraqi people for the immense pain and damage the United States  
13                  has caused them and the fact that no remotely ethical justification can be made for any of  
14                  it; and be it  
15   **FURTHER RESOLVED** that Congress further apologizes to the other nations and people of the region for  
16                  the chaos and violence that has erupted beyond the borders of Iraq owing to this conflict;  
17                  and be it  
18   **FURTHER RESOLVED** that Congress further apologizes to the remaining nations and peoples of the  
19                  world for the dishonesty that our government employed in attempting to establish a  
20                  coalition to join us in these atrocities, and for the damages and losses those who did join us  
21                  also incurred; and be it  
22   **FURTHER RESOLVED** that Congress apologizes to the people of the United States for the sacrifices they  
23                  were forced to endure to enable their government to wage this abominable war, and for  
24                  the doubt and disappointment these decisions sowed in the perspectives of U.S. citizens  
25                  toward their government; and be it  
26   **FURTHER RESOLVED** that from this day forward Congress commits to use its power to prevent actions  
27                  such as those expressed in the immorality of the Iraq War.

Respectfully submitted,  
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