

Cougar Clash Congress Docket
February 3, 2024 Round 1, Item 1

A Resolution to Remove States' Banned Books Lists in Public Education

- 1 **WHEREAS,** Banned book lists restrict students' liberty and the extent of their public
2 education opportunities; and
- 3 **WHEREAS,** Book bans impede on free expression rights and are consequently not
4 conducive of an open, inclusive, and democratic learning atmosphere for
5 American youth; and
- 6 **WHEREAS,** While the purpose of banning books is to protect children from explicit
7 material, state legislatures are increasingly influenced by outside groups
8 to stigmatize "undesirable" authors and subject matter; and
- 9 **WHEREAS,** Banned book lists pose a dangerous precedent for the future of public
10 education as it restricts students' education regarding civil rights
11 movements for historically marginalized people; now, therefore, be it
- 12 **RESOLVED,** That the UIL Congress here assembled make the following
13 recommendation to remove states' ability to create banned book lists
14 and give school librarians the authority and discretion to allocate their
15 school's budget.

Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by ESC 12.

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A Resolution to Refocus Public School Responses to Drug Abuse on Rehabilitation Instead of Punishment

1 **WHEREAS,** Drug addiction in teenage populations is rapidly increasing with
2 seemingly no viable solution; and

3 **WHEREAS,** Current public school reactions revolve around retribution instead of
4 rehabilitation, often forgoing any real solvency; and

5 **WHEREAS,** UCLA Health describes that adolescent drug addiction has risen
6 exponentially during the past few years; and

7 **WHEREAS,** The entrance of fentanyl in the drug market makes drug addiction in
8 teenagers even more dangerous; and

9 **WHEREAS,** Rehabilitation programs are substantially more effective than retribution
10 programs in curbing addiction; now, therefore be it

11 **RESOLVED,** That the UIL Congress here assembled work to refocus public school
12 responses to drug addiction on rehabilitation instead of punishment.

Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by ESC 11.

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A Bill to Make Women’s Healthcare More Equitable

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Amend SEC. 2713, Subsection 4 of the Affordable Care Act by inserting
3 the phrase “to include infertility treatments as prescribed or
4 recommended by a licensed physician” after the words “for purposes of
5 the paragraph”.

6 **SECTION 2.** Fertility treatment is a treatment women go through to induce ovulation
7 to assist in establishing a viable pregnancy.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Health Resources and Services Administration will administer this bill.

9 **SECTION 4.** This legislation takes effect July 1, 2024.

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

Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by ESC 19.

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A Bill to Legalize Euthanasia

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 Require Drivers to be Organ Donors

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Every adult who is issued a driver's license in a state or province will be
3 automatically registered as an organ donor to increase the number of
4 viable organs for transplants.

5 **SECTION 2.** Adult: An individual who is at least 18 years of age.

6 Organ Donor: An individual whose body or part is the subject of an
7 anatomical gift.

8 **SECTION 3.** Health Resources & Services Administration and the U.S. Department of
9 Transportation will be responsible for enforcing this bill.

L0 A. Those who wish to be excluded as an organ donor because of
L1 religious, personal, or medical objection to being an organ donor will
L2 be allowed to make such requests which will be screened by the U.S.
L3 Department of Health Resources & Services Administration who will
L4 be given an additional one hundred employees to facilitate this
L5 screening process.

L6 B. The U.S. Department of Transportation will be responsible for
L7 ensuring that all eligible adults are registered to be donors.

L8 **SECTION 4.** This bill will be put into effect by March 1st, 2024

L9 **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 Require the Release of All Police Body Camera
Footage to the Public to Create Better Transparency Within
Police**

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

2 **SECTION 1.** All federally funded law enforcement agencies will be required to release all
3 footage involving officer-involved shootings, deaths, and injuries from law
4 enforcement worn body cameras within 48 hours of footage being turned in. All
5 footage will be available to the public in an open-access public records database.
6 The footage will be unredacted besides personal identifiable information.

7 **SECTION 2.** Personal Identifiable information- will be defined as any representation of
8 information that permits the identity of an individual to whom the information
9 applies to be reasonably inferred by either direct or indirect means, including but
10 not limited to credit cards, medical records, and faces.

11 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Public Safety, in conjunction with the Department of
12 Homeland Security, will oversee implementing and enforcing this bill.

13 A. Failure to comply with this law will result in the reduction of federal funding
14 for the specific agency in violation.

15 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect starting January 15, 2025.

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

Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by ESC 10.

A Resolution to Change Uranium Fueled Reactors to Thorium Fueled Reactors

- 1 **WHEREAS,** Uranium reactors produce waste that impose risks of cardiovascular
2 disease, cataracts, cancer of the bone, liver, and lung; and
- 3 **WHEREAS,** The waste can be repurposed as weapons that are nearly untraceable
4 and can be used to illegally make explosives; and
- 5 **WHEREAS,** Thorium offers fissile materials which are relatively inert, easily traceable,
6 and produce an energy output 250 times stronger than uranium; now,
7 therefore, be it
- 8 **RESOLVED,** That the UIL Congress here assembled make the following
9 recommendation for solution, the US Department of Energy shall change
10 all uranium reactors to thorium reactors by 2030.

Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by ESC 9.

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A Resolution to Unveil All Alien Information

- 1 **WHEREAS,** For decades, the United States Federal Government has not been forthcoming
2 with the American people about information concerning alien life forms or
3 Unidentified Aerial Phenomena (UAP); and
- 4 **WHEREAS,** Since the government released information about the existence of non-human
5 life in the summer of 2023, it has proved that the Federal Government was lying
6 to the American people since the 1930s; however, by releasing all information
7 and evidence regarding non-human life and UAPs to the American people, the
8 government can start to reclaim its credibility; and
- 9 **WHEREAS,** The impact of continued distrust could lead to anarchy in an already fractured
10 political atmosphere in the United States, leaving our nation more vulnerable to
11 internal and external threats; and
- 12 **WHEREAS,** We must take all steps possible to rebuild trust between the government and
13 the people; now, therefore, be it
- 14 **RESOLVED,** That the UIL Congress here assembled make the following recommendation that
15 all information and evidence pertaining to the existence of alien life forms
16 and/or unidentified aerial phenomena be released to the American people
17 immediately.

Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by ESC 9.

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**A Bill to Legalize the Sale of Non-Vital Organs to
Promote Organ Transplants**

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The sale of non-vital organs will now be legal only at Mayo Clinic Care
3 Network (MCCN) hospitals to increase organ pools therefore lowering the
4 cost of transplantations to recipients.

5 **SECTION 2.** Non-vital organs are defined as any organ that can be transplanted
6 without the donor needing assistance to live through treatments and/or
7 medicine. MCCN is the highest-ranking transplant hospital network
8 nationwide therefore will oversee all non-vital organ transplants. Only
9 hospitals that are a part of the Mayo network may participate in the
10 procurement and transplanting of non-vital organs.

11 **SECTION 3.** The Health Resources and Services Administration will see that:

12 A. Anyone looking to give an organ will be spared the operation costs as
13 well as be compensated with \$10,000.

14 B. Any hospital who is not part of the Mayo Clinic Care Network that
15 performs a transplant of or sells a non-vital organ will be fined
16 \$100,000, doubling with each offense.

17 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into 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 ESC 11.

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A Bill to Make the Sale of Illicit Fentanyl Punishable by Life Without Parole

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The sale of illicit Fentanyl in any form will be punishable by life without
3 parole.

4 **SECTION 2.** Illicit Fentanyl is defined as a powerful synthetic opioid analgesic that is
5 similar to morphine but is 50 to 100 times more potent.

6 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Justice will oversee the enforcement of
7 this bill.

8 A. Department of Justice in all 50 states will implement this bill as a
9 Federal Mandate.

10 B. All Federal courts will adhere to the sentencing guideline of life
11 without parole.

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

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

Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by ESC 9.

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A Bill to End Legacy Preference in College Admissions

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

2 **SECTION 1.** All postsecondary institutions in the United States shall be prohibited
3 from affirmatively considering an applicant’s legacy status in
4 undergraduate admissions.

5 **SECTION 2.** Postsecondary institutions are defined as any public college or university,
6 or any private university that receives federal or state funding from
7 federal laws or research grants. Legacy status applies to applicants whose
8 parent(s) or family attended the institution to which they are applying.

9 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice shall enforce this legislation.

10 A. The Department of Justice shall investigate any instances in which
11 postsecondary institutions are accused of violating this legislation.

12 B. Postsecondary institutions found to be in violation of this legislation
13 may lose access to federal funds.

14 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall take effect beginning in the 2025-2026 academic year.

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

Introduced for UIL Congressional Debate by ESC 7.

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A Bill to Improve the Quality of Life of Native Americans Living on Reservations

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Native Americans shall have equal opportunity to pursue higher education,
3 accessible and affordable healthcare, and property ownership as a better
4 standard of living than what exists currently while living on reservations.

5 **SECTION 2.** Quality of life shall be defined as the standard of health, comfort, and
6 happiness experienced by an individual or family. Property ownership shall
7 be defined as owning and living in a comfortable, affordable single-family
8 dwelling.

9 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Department of Commerce through the division of Native American
10 Affairs shall collaborate with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban
11 Development, U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, and U.S.
12 Department of Education to form initiatives that oversee state programs.

13 A. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development shall
14 implement initiatives that result in land acquisitions through grants.

15 B. The U.S. Department of Health & Human Services shall extend universal
16 healthcare through Medicaid and Medicare programs.

17 C. The U.S. Department of Education shall provide paid post-secondary
18 education up through a 2-year community college degree program.

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

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