

A Bill to Fund High-Speed Rail Development

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** The Department of Transportation shall allocate \$100 billion of funding for
2 the development and implementation of high-speed rail systems across the
3 United States.

4 **SECTION 2.** A High-Speed Rail System is defined as a rail network capable of sustained
5 speeds exceeding 150 miles per hour.

6 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Transportation shall work in collaboration with state
7 and local authorities to identify and prioritize high-speed rail corridors
8 based on factors such as population density, transportation demand, and
9 potential economic impact.

10 A. Funding will come from the Department of Defense budget.

11 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall go into effect immediately upon passage.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Aditya Rai of Ridge High School.

A Bill to Regulate Name, Image, and Likeness NIL for College Athletes

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** This bill will provide standards related to compensation for the the name, image,
3 and likeness rights of college athletes as just reward for their skills.

4 **SECTION 2.** Name - The term “name” with respect to a college athlete means a combination
5 of first, last , or unique name that identifies a college athlete; Image - The term
6 “image”, means a photograph, video, or computer generated image; Likeness -
7 The term “likeness”, means a jersey number, the jersey number associated with
8 an athlete in a particular sport and in a particular institution of higher learning
9 during their period of their enrollment.

10 **SECTION 3.** An institution of higher education, conference, or athletic association shall have
11 no power to determine or limit the amount of compensation provided by a third
12 party or endorsement contract with a college athlete except for those that might
13 violate state law.

15 **SECTION 4:** An institution of higher learning, conference, or athletic association may not
16 punish or prohibit the participation of a college athlete in a college athletic
17 event for having entered into a contract with an athletic representative or
18 certified agent.

19 **SECTION 5.** This bill will take effect on July 1, 2024.

20 **SECTION 6.** The Federal Trade Commission shall have the power to enforce this legislation.

21 **SECTION 7.** All other laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared hereby null and
22 void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by: Delbarton School

A Bill to Enhance Rare Earth Element Collaboration with Namibia

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall provide Namibia with annual economic aid of \$1
3 Billion, fostering mutually beneficial partnerships between U.S.
4 companies and local Namibian miners in the rare Earth element industry.

5 A. This collaboration aligns with the U.S. national security mission to
6 diversity its rare Earth elements supply chains and simultaneously
7 contribute to the economic development of Namibia.

8 **SECTION 2.** The economic aid shall be utilized to subsidize local Namibian businesses,
9 promoting grassroots economic stabilization initiatives. Additionally, a
10 portion of the aid will be allocated to infrastructure enhancement and
11 the construction of facilities.

12 A. In return, U.S. companies shall be granted priority access to
13 partnership opportunities with local miners, ensuring that contracts
14 offered by U.S. companies take precedence over those from other
15 foreign nations.

16 B. U.S. companies shall receive full approval from the Namibian
17 government to establish infrastructure for mining and processing
18 facilities on local land.

19 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Department of Defense and the U.S. Agency for International
20 Development will collaborate to implement this legislation.

21 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect in FY 2025. All laws in conflict with this
22 legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Elizabeth High School.