

# CONGRESSIONAL DEBATE

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# A Bill to Bypass the Electoral College

1	BE IT ENACTED BY	THE CONGRESS H	IERE ASSEMBLED:

- 2 **SECTION 1.** Congress hereby invokes the powers vested in it by the Compact Clause (Article One,
- 3 Clause Three) of the Constitution to provide preemptive consent for the National Popular
- 4 Vote Interstate Compact (NPVIC).
- 5 **SECTION 2.** Congress encourages additional states to pass legislation signing on to the NPVIC so that it may take effect and democratic values may be elevated to their rightful place in our nation.
- 7 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.
- 8 **SECTION 4.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.



#### A Bill for an Efficient Secret Service

1	BE IT	ENACTED	BY THE	CONGRESS	HERE ASSEME	3LED

- 2 **SECTION 1.** The budget for the Secret Service shall be reduced by 50%.
- 3 **SECTION 2.** Congress instructs the leadership of the Secret Service to reassess the agency's
- 4 expenditures and procedures to ensure they can keep the nation's leaders safe without
- 5 wasteful spending or complacency.
- 6 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall be overseen by the Department of Homeland Security.
- 7 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect at the start of the 2025 fiscal year.
- 8 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.



### A Bill to End the Military Presence in Hawaii

- 1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:
- SECTION 1. Congress directs the Department of Defense to permanently close all military bases
   currently operating in the state of Hawaii within five years of the passage of this legislation.
- 4 **SECTION 2.** Also within five years of the passage of this legislation, all land owned by the Department of Defense within the State of Hawaii shall be turned over to the Office of Hawaiian Affairs.
- 6 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall be overseen by the Department of Defense.
- 7 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.
- 8 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.



# A Bill to Establish an Al Energy Tax

1	BE IT ENACT	ED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:
2	SECTION 1.	Any energy costs incurred by a technological enterprise in order to provide artificial
3		intelligence (AI) services shall be taxed at a rate of 25% each month.
4	SECTION 2.	Such technological enterprises shall be wholly responsible for faithfully reporting to their
5		energy providers how much of their energy costs result from AI services each month.
6		Failure to report accurately shall result in a fine equal to ten times the amount of the
7		underreported energy costs.
8	SECTION 3.	Funds raised through these taxes shall be used to support and, if possible, expand the
9		Department of Energy's renewable energy subsidies.
10	SECTION 4.	This legislation shall be overseen by the Department of Energy, and this agency shall be
11		responsible for monitoring compliance.
12	SECTION 5.	This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2026.
13	SECTION 6.	All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.



# A Bill to Promote and Fund Canada Geese Population Control

1	BE IT ENACT	ED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:
2	SECTION 1.	For each of the five years following implementation of this legislation, Congress shall
3		allocate \$100 million to the Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) to be divided among states and
4		territories in order to pay cash-prize bounties for the lawful hunting of Canada geese
5		(Branta canadensis).
6	SECTION 2.	Each state and territory that participates may determine the amount of the individual
7		bounties, as well as the parameters and procedures for hunting the geese and claiming the
8		cash prizes.
9	SECTION 3.	After five years, Congress shall reevaluate the situation to determine whether further
10		legislation is merited.
11	SECTION 4.	This legislation shall be overseen by the Fish and Wildlife Service
12	SECTION 5.	This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2025.
13	SECTION 6.	All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.



# A Bill to Enable Student Debt to Be Unconditionally Discharged Through Bankruptcy

1	BE IT ENACT	ED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:
2	SECTION 1.	No longer shall a debtor be required to show "undue hardship" (section 523(a)(8) of the
3		Bankruptcy Code) in order to discharge student debt via bankruptcy. Student debt shall
4		henceforth be indistinguishable from other forms of debt as far as bankruptcy law is
5		concerned.
6	SECTION 2.	This legislation shall be overseen by the United States Trustee Program, a component of
7		the Department of Justice.
8	SECTION 3.	This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2025.
۵	SECTION 4	All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and yold



# A Bill to Reduce the De Minimis Tax Exemption

- 1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:
- 2 **SECTION 1.** Items imported into the United States shall be subject to duty if their value exceeds \$200
- 3 (USD).
- 4 **SECTION 2.** This legislation shall be overseen by Customs and Border Protection.
- 5 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2025.
- 6 **SECTION 4.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.



# A Resolution to Affirm the Right to Protest on College Campuses

1	WHEREAS	Students are a primary source of income for their universities; and
2	WHEREAS	This reality should make universities very sensitive to students' political and ethical
3		concerns; and
4	WHEREAS	Rhetoric around college protesters has become increasingly vitriolic and is consequently
5		serving to marginalize and suppress the voices of these students who seek to exercise their
6		democratic rights; now, therefore be it
7	RESOLVED	by the Congress here assembled that college students who choose to engage in peaceful
8		protest to express their political perspectives are celebrated for doing so; and be it
9	FURTHER R	<b>ESOLVED</b> that Congress calls upon universities to refrain from discouraging or disbanding
10		peaceful protests, lest our nation's most prized values be compromised.



# A Resolution to Promote Lawn Liberty

1	WHEREAS	Many ordinances regarding lawn maintenance are rooted in a very narrow and aesthetic
2		vision; and
3	WHEREAS	To infringe upon the choice of how to tend (or if to tend) one's lawn is, at its core, a fairly
4		basic violation of this nation's core value of liberty; and
5	WHEREAS	Lawn maintenance as required by many states and municipalities leads to wasteful water
6		usage and destroys potential habitats for pollinators; now, therefore be it
7	RESOLVED	by the Congress here assembled that states, districts, territories, and municipalities are
8		strongly discouraged from making any law circumscribing how homeowners may maintain
9		their lawns; and be it
10	FURTHER R	<b>ESOLVED</b> that Congress encourages homeowners to cultivate their lawns in ways that
11		conserve water, promote habitats for pollinators, and otherwise support environmental
12		sustainability.



# A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Establish Federal Ballot Measures

	States, which shall be valid to all intents and numbers as part of the Constitution when
	States, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when
	ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states within seven years from
	the date of its submission by the Congress:
	ARTICLE —
SECTION 1.	Congress shall make no law abridging the right of the people to call for and vote on ballot
	measures, namely initiatives and referendums, at the federal level.
SECTION 2.	In order to be placed on the ballot, initiated federal statutes shall require a number of
	signatures from registered voters equal to 10% of the number of votes cast in the most
	recent general election, while initiated constitutional amendments shall require a number
	of signatures from registered voters equal to 15% of the number of votes cast in the most
	recent general election. In all cases, signatures must be submitted at least 180 days prior to
	the day of the election in which the initiative will be voted on.
SECTION 3.	Up until 90 days prior to the day of an election, Congress may put forth federal
	referendums by a simple majority vote, regardless of whether that referendum would
	amount to a constitutional amendment. Congress may put forth referendums either in
	conjunction with initiatives or independently.
SECTION 4.	It shall be the responsibility of the Vice President to oversee ballot measures once
	submitted and to approve or deny them for inclusion on the ballot. This decision must be
	based solely on procedure and constitutionality, and must be made free of political bias.
	The Supreme Court shall have the power to overturn the Vice President's decision if a
	majority deems it to be politically motivated.
SECTION 5.	To gain the force of law, a ballot measure that seeks to enact a federal statute shall require
	a simple majority of the popular vote, while a ballot measure that seeks to amend the
	Constitution shall require a two-thirds majority of the popular vote.
SECTION 6.	The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.
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