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Preliminary Legislation

A Bill to Ban Fluoridation of Public Water

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** The addition of fluoride to public water supplies is hereby banned throughout the United
3 States and its territories.

4 **SECTION 2.** Any jurisdiction found in violation of this legislation shall lose all federal funding until
5 compliance is reached.

6 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall be overseen by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

7 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect 90 days from the date of passage.

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

A Bill to End Pretextual Traffic Stops

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** Law enforcement officers throughout the United States and its territories are henceforth
3 prohibited from conducting pretextual traffic stops.

4 **SECTION 2.** A pretextual traffic stop is defined as the detainment and investigation of a motorist for an
5 offense that does not present a clear and present danger to those on or near the roadway
6 or which is conducted primarily to pursue suspicion of a more serious crime.

7 **SECTION 3.** Any law enforcement agency found to be in violation of this legislation shall lose federal
8 funding until such time as compliance is reached. Any officer found to be in repeated
9 violation of this legislation shall be disciplined up to and including termination.

10 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be overseen by the Department of Justice.

11 **SECTION 5.** This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.

12 **SECTION 6.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

A Bill to Limit Tourism in National Parks

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** In order to better enable the National Park Service (NPS) to achieve its mission, the number
3 of visitors allowed in National Park Areas shall be limited.

4 **SECTION 2.** The NPS is instructed to evaluate an environmentally and logistically sustainable capacity
5 for each of its parks and park areas and to set limits accordingly. The NPS shall have full
6 discretion over the parameters and details of these restrictions, but they are directed to
7 keep matters of equity and accessibility in mind when determining which visitors gain
8 access.

9 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall be overseen by the NPS.

10 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2026.

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

A Bill to Protect Children from Social Media

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** No social media platform shall permit citizens of the United States under the age of 16 to
3 sign up for or maintain an account on their service. It shall be the responsibility of social
4 media platforms to monitor and ensure the ages of their users in order to comply with this
5 legislation.

6 **SECTION 2.** The 42 USC § 1862w(a)(2) definition of a social media platform shall be utilized: “a website
7 or internet medium that— (A) permits a person to become a registered user, establish an
8 account, or create a profile for the purpose of allowing users to create, share, and view
9 user-generated content through such an account or profile; (B) enables 1 or more users to
10 generate content that can be viewed by other users of the medium; and (C) primarily
11 serves as a medium for users to interact with content generated by other users of the
12 medium.”

13 **SECTION 3.** Any domestic social media platform that violates this legislation shall be fined \$5000 for
14 each underaged user found to be registered and/or maintaining an account on their
15 service. Any domestic platform with more than 10 violations in a 365-day period shall be
16 banned from conducting business for a period of at least 5 years. Any foreign social media
17 platform that violates this legislation shall be immediately and permanently blocked from
18 all United States’ web servers and devices.

19 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be overseen by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

20 **SECTION 5.** This legislation shall take effect on January 19, 2026.

21 **SECTION 6.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

A Bill to Provide Full Funding for NPR

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** Congress shall henceforth provide total funding for the operations of National Public Radio
3 (NPR). NPR shall be barred from seeking and obtaining funding through corporate
4 sponsorships, member donations, or any other means.

5 **SECTION 2.** This legislation shall be overseen by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

6 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall take effect at the start of the next legislative fiscal year.

7 **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 RESOLVED** that Congress calls upon universities to refrain from discouraging or disbanding
- 10 peaceful protests, lest our nation's most prized values be compromised.



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.** The twenty-second article of amendment to the Constitution of the United States is hereby
7 repealed.

8 **SECTION 2.** Henceforth, no person shall be limited in the number of times they may be elected to the
9 office of President.

10 **SECTION 3.** This article shall apply to all future persons elected to the office of President, as well as to
11 whoever holds the office at the time of ratification.

12 **SECTION 4.** The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.



1 **WHEREAS** Successful international maritime commerce and marine activities require shared values,
2 goals, and standards; and

3 **WHEREAS** The failure of our nation to join with and support the international community in the United
4 Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) amounts to an unfair abuse of our
5 unparalleled power on the global stage and limits our neighbors from meeting their own
6 economic potential; and

7 **WHEREAS** Becoming party to UNCLOS would also serve to benefit national security and better position
8 us to collaborate with our neighbors to protect ocean ecosystems; now, therefore be it

9 **RESOLVED** by the Congress here assembled that the President is called upon to sign onto UNCLOS and
10 so at long last to affirm our nation's commitment to equitable and fair maritime commerce
11 and marine activities between nations; and be it

12 **FURTHER RESOLVED** that, should the President answer this call, Congress as a whole implores all
13 Senators to vote to ratify UNCLOS.

A Resolution to Encourage the Recognition of Western Sahara

1 **WHEREAS** Principles of self-determination and democracy, which we in the United States claim to hold
2 dear, demand that we support Indigenous peoples seeking self-government, as the Sahrawi
3 people have long been attempting to do with the state of the Sahrawi Arab Democratic
4 Republic, commonly referred to as Western Sahara; and

5 **WHEREAS** International law and cooperation similarly demands that we respect and uphold the 1975
6 International Court of Justice Advisory Opinion on Western Sahara which found that
7 Morocco has no right to rule over Western Sahara if the Sahrawi wish to govern
8 themselves; and

9 **WHEREAS** Recognition of Western Sahara would have positive consequences in terms of
10 humanitarianism and local geopolitical stability, while also opening up strategic economic
11 and defense opportunities for the United States in the region; now, therefore be it

12 **RESOLVED** by the Congress here assembled that the Executive Branch is strongly encouraged to
13 recognize the Sahrawi Arab Democratic Republic and to establish an embassy in El Aaiún as
14 soon as is practicable; and be it

15 **FURTHER RESOLVED** that Congress encourages the rest of the international community to make haste
16 in following suit.

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Semifinal Legislation

A Bill to Block AI in Schools

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** All schools and universities throughout the United States are ordered to enact firewalls
3 blocking student access to websites and applications that enable users to leverage artificial
4 intelligence (AI) in any way that could potentially facilitate academic dishonesty.

5 **SECTION 2.** Any school or university found to be in violation of this legislation shall lose access to
6 federal funding until such time as compliance is reached.

7 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall be overseen by the Department of Education and the Federal
8 Communications Commission (FCC). In addition to monitoring and enforcing
9 implementation, these agencies shall be responsible for producing a list of websites and
10 applications that must be banned, publishing and proliferating that list at least 30 days
11 prior to the date of implementation, and maintaining that list regularly and transparently.

12 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect on July 1, 2025.

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

A Bill to Extend Veterans' Benefits to Returned Peace Corps Volunteers

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** All veterans' benefits are hereby extended to Returned Peace Corps Volunteers (RPCVs)
3 who have successfully completed their service.

4 **SECTION 2.** This legislation shall be overseen by the Peace Corps in conjunction with the Department of
5 Veteran Affairs.

6 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2025, and apply retroactively to all living
7 RPCVs.

8 **SECTION 4.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

A Resolution to Defend the Right of Ukraine to Join NATO

1 **WHEREAS** It ought to be the sole choice of each sovereign nation which treaties they want to sign and
2 to which intergovernmental organizations they wish to become party; and
3 **WHEREAS** Ukraine's ties with the nations of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) are more
4 than strong enough to justify its own admission into this alliance; and
5 **WHEREAS** Any one nation's efforts to sway the diplomatic foreign policy of another nation through
6 military force must be condemned; now, therefore be it
7 **RESOLVED** by the Congress here assembled that the right of Ukraine to join NATO is roundly and
8 eternally defended; and be it
9 **FURTHER RESOLVED** that Congress commits to considering the use of diplomatic, economic, and even
10 military means to counteract the efforts of any other nation to dissuade or prevent Ukraine
11 from joining NATO.

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Final Legislation

A Bill to Fund Brush Clearance in California and Other Wildfire Prone Areas

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** Congress shall allocate an additional \$1 billion per year to the United States Department of
3 Agriculture Forest Service (USFS) for the express purpose of funding brush clearance in
4 forests in California and other areas prone to wildfire.

5 **SECTION 2.** This legislation shall be overseen by the USFS, which shall be tasked, among other things,
6 with determining which areas to focus on for brush clearance and how best to delegate this
7 work.

8 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.

9 **SECTION 4.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

A Bill to Make Our Skies Safer

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** The Department of Defense shall conduct no airborne training exercises anywhere within
3 25 miles of an airport engaged in commercial passenger air travel.

4 **SECTION 2.** For the purposes of this legislation, “an airport engaged in commercial passenger air travel”
5 shall be defined as an airport at which a commercial passenger airplane is expected to land
6 or depart at any time within the next two hours. Therefore, military airborne training
7 exercises may be conducted around such airports whenever there is an extended span of
8 time during which commercial passenger air travel is not occurring.

9 **SECTION 3.** Congress directs the Department of Defense to court-martial any service members who
10 violate the terms of this legislation, and further to determine for themselves a range of
11 consequences that are appropriate for such violations.

12 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be jointly overseen by the Department of Defense and the Federal
13 Aviation Administration (FAA).

14 **SECTION 5.** This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.

15 **SECTION 6.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

A Resolution to Invigorate the Greenlandic Independence Movement

1 **WHEREAS** Greenland is a proud nation with a distinct and unique cultural and geopolitical identity that
2 is in danger of being diluted by foreign influences; and

3 **WHEREAS** Connections between Greenland and Denmark have long been tenuous and are only
4 becoming weaker as time goes on, making Denmark's control of Greenland increasingly
5 absurd and indefensible; and

6 **WHEREAS** It is a contravention of our nation's most deeply cherished values to stand by as this
7 shamefully antiquated vestige of European colonialism persists well into the 21st century;
8 now, therefore be it

9 **RESOLVED** by the Congress here assembled that movements among Greenlanders to attain total
10 independence and sovereignty are strongly endorsed and encouraged; and be it

11 **FURTHER RESOLVED** that Congress shall consider legislative action to support Greenlanders in their
12 fight for independence and to respect and facilitate Greenlanders in realizing their post- colonial
13 ambitions, whatever form those may take.