

A Bill for the Gradual Abolishment of Social Security

BE IT ENACTED by the PHSSL State Student Congress here assembled that:

1. Section 1: The United States Social Security Administration will undergo a
2. gradual abolishment.
3. Section 2: All new members of the American workforce will be exempt from
4. the Social Security System starting with their first paid job.
5. Upon retirement, all workers who have contributed to the Social
6. Security fund shall be compensated based on their contributions to
7. the fund. Americans currently receiving Social Security subsidies
8. will continue collecting their current level of benefits.
9. Section 3: This bill will go into effect beginning on January 1, 2016.
10. Section 4: This act shall be enforced by the Department of the Treasury and
11. the Internal Revenue Service.
12. Section 5 All other laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared
13. null and void.

Respectfully Submitted,

Somerset Area School District

**A BILL TO REDUCE U.S. STUDENT LOAN RATES TO
INCENTIVIZE HIGHER EDUCATION**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Interest rates for student loans in the United States shall be reduced as follows,
3 and all rates are to be fixed for the life of the loan(s):

4 A. Direct Subsidized Loan rates will be reduced to 2.33%

5 B. Direct Unsubsidized Loan rates will be reduced to 2.33% for undergraduate
6 students and to 3.1% for graduate and professional students.

7 C. Direct PLUS Loan rates will be reduced to 3.61%.

8 D. Perkins Loan rates will be reduced to 2.5%.

9 **SECTION 2.** For the purposes of the new interest rates, the first disbursement date will take
10 effect July 1st, 2016.

11 **SECTION 3.** To compensate for the loss in government revenue associated with the decrease in
12 loan interest rates, the federal government shall reduce spending in the U.S.
13 military by \$25 billion.

14 A. The reduction in spending will be based on revenue losses in the Department
15 of Education, and may be adjusted annually based upon student loan revenue.

16 B. Spending cuts will take place within the base budget of the Department of
17 Defense.

18 C. The spending cut will be implemented upon passage of the U.S. Federal
19 Budget for Fiscal Year 2015.

20 **SECTION 4.** The U.S. Department of Education shall oversee the reduction in student loan
21 rates, and the U.S. Department of Defense shall oversee the reduction in military
22 spending.

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

Abington Heights High School

A Resolution To Increase Funding For Research For Renewable Energy
Submitted by Mercer Area Middle-High School

1. WHEREAS: By 2040 world oil production will be at 20% of current consumption
2. WHEREAS: The use of oil contributes to global warming, a serious issue in the coming
3. years, and it is destroying the environment
4. WHEREAS: Renewable energy will provide job opportunities across the globe and increase
5. development of countries
6. WHEREAS: The costs of oil extraction and management continue to rise and increase
7. dependence of countries on others
8. THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the PHSSL State Student Congress here assembled
9. that the United States and developed nations should implement policies to increase pursuits
10. of renewable energy to set examples for less developed nations to remove dependence on
11. nonrenewable resources and to further protect humans and the environment.

A Resolution to Increase Funding for Pediatric Cancer Research

1	Whereas: Only 3.8% of all cancer research funding allotted by the United States
2	Federal Government is direct toward Pediatric Cancer; and
3	Whereas: Cancer is the leading cause of death for children under the age of 15 in
4	the United States; and
5	Whereas: In the United States the incidence of cancer among adolescents and
6	young adults is increasing at a greater rate than any other age group; and
7	Whereas: Current pediatric treatments are so harsh that 74% of survivors
8	develop chronic health conditions; therefore
9	Be It Resolved by this Congress here assembled that the National Cancer
10	Institute (NCI) be directed to reallocate its existing federal funding to increase
11	the funding of pediatric cancer to 7% of total cancer research.
12	Be It Further Resolved that the National Cancer Institute (NCI) budget for FY
13	2015 be increased to bring pediatric cancer research funding to 10% of total
14	cancer research.

Respectfully Submitted by Gwynedd Mercy Academy

A Resolution to Remove Congressional Pay

- 1 **WHEREAS,** currently, politicians make Government office a career, inhibiting
2 progress as the founding fathers intended, and
- 3 **WHEREAS,** Congressmen receive an annual salary of between \$174,000 and
4 \$223,000, far more than they would receive in a normal job outside of
5 office; and
- 6 **WHEREAS,** this funding creates a further burden on the U.S. economy and increases
7 the national debt; and
- 8 **WHEREAS,** if instead of being paid a salary, they would instead receive compensation
9 for salary they will not receive because they are in office, they would no
10 longer be in congress for the pay, but instead to actually make a change
11 to the policy of the nation; now, therefore, be it
- 12 **RESOLVED,** that the Congress here assembled Remove the any and all salary for
13 congress, and elected officials will instead receive just compensation;
14 and, be it
- 15 **FURTHER RESOLVED,** That, upon passage, in accordance with the 27th amendment to
16 the US constitution, this bill shall be enforced on the election of new
17 congressmen.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Moon Area High School.