

2017 Senate Assignments by District
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A Resolution Regarding Child Soldiers in Africa

1. Whereas, young boys are being targeted by terrorist organizations from Boko Haram to
2. the Janjaweed.
3. Whereas, many of these young boys are illiterate and do not have many opportunities for
4. earn money or support a family because they lack any formal schooling.
5. Whereas, militant groups prey on the faith these boys have such as Boko Haram's plan to
6. enlist young, illiterate, Muslim boys from across Africa.
7. Whereas, with education, these young men will have other opportunities than besides
8. becoming a militant.
9. THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, The congress here assembled allot 8 billion dollars in
10. humanitarian aid to fund for teachers, schools and other necessary materials for
11. a professional education.

Respectfully Submitted,
Preston Nouri
Fairview High School

District #2

Dist. 2 Senate Legislation

A BILL TO FACILITATE THE REMEDIATION OF PUBLIC WATER SYSTEMS

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania will require all public water systems to be tested for safety and stability. All systems found to be endangered by contaminants (lead, bacteria, particulates, etc) or by systemic problems (failing pipes, pumps, reservoirs, etc) will be required to submit a plan for permanent correction of those problems to the state Departments of Health and Environmental Protection. Once approved by those agencies, the correction plan will be put into effect.

SECTION 2. A public water system (PWS) is defined as a system which provides water to the public for human consumption, and that serves at least 15 service connections or at least 25 people daily for at least 60 days of the year. Pennsylvania has over 10,000 such public water systems.

SECTION 3. The Department of Environmental Protection shall be responsible for the regulation and verification of the correction plans.

A. Funding to pay for the correction plan will come from a combination of a temporary 1% income tax on the residents covered by the public water system and a 2% severance tax on the gross receipts of natural gas extracted from or produced in the commonwealth.

B. Public water systems that fail to comply with these provisions will have their operating permits suspended.

SECTION 4. This bill shall be implemented January 1, 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Fox Chapel Area High School

A RESOLUTION TO REQUIRE YEAR-ROUND SCHOOLING IN HIGH SCHOOL

Whereas: Schooling with a long summer break decreases retention of knowledge gained throughout the year

Whereas: Year-round schooling allows more civil restraints on adolescence which decreases juvenile delinquencies

Whereas: Year-round school will increase academic skills with more instructional time for students with lower test scores

Whereas: Schools should require regulated vacation time to be more evenly distributed throughout the year, giving students the opportunity to regenerate more frequently.

Whereas: Families who struggle to find childcare will benefit from year-round school.

Whereas: The United States school system would be more like that of other countries, providing students with the ability to have more of a global educational experience

THEREFORE, Be It Resolved That: The United States Education System will require year-round schooling for high schools starting in the 2017-2018 school year.

Respectfully Submitted,
West Allegheny High School

A Resolution to Eliminate Federal References to and Endorsements of Religion

1 **WHEREAS,** The United States government sponsors several clear references to religion
2 in the United States Code; and

3 **WHEREAS,** These references have been challenged and removed in the past,
4 establishing a precedent for the removal of religious references; and

5 **WHEREAS,** These references alienate persons who do not identify with the religious
6 faiths referenced in the United States Code; and

7 **WHEREAS,** The percentage of American citizens who do not affiliate themselves with
8 these religions exceeds 20 percent; and

9 **WHEREAS,** Several large organizations have been pressuring the government to
10 remove the existing references to and endorsements of religion for
11 decades; now, therefore, be it

12 **RESOLVED,** That the Student Congress here assembled recommend that federal
13 references to and endorsements of religion be eliminated.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Greensburg Salem High School

A Bill to Encourage Mexico to Secure the U.S. Southern Border by Ending All Foreign Aid to Mexico

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Until the United Mexican States proscribes security measures that will
3 secure their northern border with the United States of America, including
4 an effective barrier, border patrols, and other preventative measures,
5 The United States of America will end all foreign aid to the United
6 Mexican States.

7 **SECTION 2.** Foreign aid will be defined as any assistance given by the United States to
8 Mexico. The aid has traditionally been given through the U.S. Agency for
9 International and Peace Corps.

10 **SECTION 3.** The State Department will oversee the implementation of this legislation.

11 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect immediately after its passage.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Congressman Morgan James Morrison of West Shore Christian
Academy.*

**A BILL TO REORGANIZE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS TO PREVENT GERRYMANDERING
IN THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA**

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

2 **SECTION 1.** A nonpartisan commission shall be created to reorganize Pennsylvania's
3 18 congressional districts to prevent gerrymandering and better represent
4 the state population.

5 **SECTION 2.** Gerrymandering shall be defined as the dividing of a state or county into
6 election districts to give one political party a majority in many districts
7 while concentrating the voting strength of the other party into as few
8 districts as possible.

9 **SECTION 3.** The state legislature shall be responsible for the creation of the
10 nonpartisan commission. The commission shall then responsible for the
11 redrawing of state districts.

12 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect immediately after passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Rep. Cameron Hardy
Dallastown Area High School*

A Resolution against the Sale of Arms to Saudi Arabia

1. Whereas: The State Department announced the potential sale of Military arms to Saudi
2. Arabia
3. Whereas: and the sale of arms may harm innocent civilians and may fuel a regional arms
4. race and;
5. Whereas: The sale of arms may also contribute to the killing of innocent Yemen citizens,
6. as has occurred in the past and may be further perpetuated by an influx of weapons into
7. the region.
8. Therefore: Be it resolved by the Congress assembled today that this legislative body
9. vehemently disagrees with the proposed sale of weapons to the Saudi Arabian military by
10. the United States State Department.

Respectfully Submitted for Congressional Debate,

District #8

ROUND 2

Bill to Create a Safer Military

District 9 Bill
District 9 Senate Bill

Submitted by Danville Area High School

Section 1: The United States Military shall be tasked with the creation of computerized controllable machines capable of performing many necessary combat functions.

- A. Computerized controllable machines are defined as independently functioning unmanned combat vehicles that does not require direct human control.
- B. Computerized controllable machines does not include UAVs or RPAS.

Section 2: In order to perform this task, one-hundred million dollars will be granted to each of the five branches of the military to be used in the research and creation of these machines.

Section 3: These machines will be deployed worldwide in dangerous areas as well as battle fields that could result in the loss of human life.

Section 4: These machines will also be used in special operations where stealth is needed or where special tasks need to be performed.

PHSSL Congress Bill
Submitted by: Harriton High School

Redistricting Congress and the Legislature

1. **Whereas:** Congressional districts are determined by an act of the General Assembly
2. with no input by the public in any way.
3. **Whereas:** This arrangement has resulted in partisan gerrymandering where one party
4. controls both branches of the General Assembly and the governorship as was the case
5. when the current congressional districts were created after the 2010 census.
6. **Whereas:** While, this plan complied with the U.S. Supreme Court's "one person, one
7. vote rule, it ignored traditional redistricting criteria, including preservation of local
8. government boundaries.
9. **Whereas:** One small municipality was divided into four congressional districts, essen-
10. tially depriving it of real representation, and when this plan was appealed to the US
11. Supreme Court, it allowed the districts to stand, over strong opposition by the minority
12. in the 5-4 decision.
13. **Whereas:** Legislative districts are drawn by a bipartisan commission that has been so
14. dysfunctional the last 2 times that the legislative commission was unable to agree on the
15. selection of a non-partisan chair and one had to be appointed by the PA Supreme Court.
16. **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by this PHSSL Student Congress here assembled:
17. **That** The Pennsylvania Constitution will be amended to require an independent
18. commission comprised of individuals not currently employed by local, state, or federal
19. government, to redistrict both legislative and congressional districts.
20. **That** the agreed to standards are (in rank order): adhere to all Constitutional and Voting
21. Rights Act requirements; promote competitiveness and partisan fairness, respect politi-
22. subdivisions and communities of interest; encourage geographical compactness and
23. respect for natural geographical features and barriers.

A Bill to Counter Chinese Aggression in the South China Sea

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

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SECTION 1. The US Navy and Air Force shall deploy additional troops to the South China Sea and increase patrols near contested islands.

SECTION 2. The US shall give \$500,000,000 in combined economic and military aid each to Brunei, the Philippines, Vietnam, Malaysia, and Taiwan.

SECTION 3. The Department of Defense and USAID shall be responsible for this legislation's implementation.

A. The DoD is responsible for coordinating operations with the aforementioned nations.

B. USAID shall direct this aid to promote economic and military independence from China.

SECTION 4. This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Andrew Imredy of St. Joseph's Preparatory School.

A BILL TO END AGRICULTURAL SUBSIDIES

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. The current subsidies that are provided to approximately one million farmers, and which total about \$25 Billion, will be ended.

SECTION 2. Agricultural subsidies are defined as payments by the federal government to producers of agricultural products for the purpose of supplementing their incomes, and balancing the agricultural industry.

SECTION 3. This will be overseen by the Department of Agriculture. The surplus money will be invested in safer environmental practices, to be determined at the discretion of the Department of Agriculture.

SECTION 4. This legislation will go into effect in Fiscal Year 2019.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Pennsbury High School

A Bill to Raise the Federal Minimum Wage

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 (FLSA) shall be amended to
3 increase the minimum wage to \$10.10 US Dollars an hour and the federal
4 minimum wage for tipped employees to \$3.15 US Dollars an hour.

5 **SECTION 2.** Minimum wage is defined by the FLSA as the rate employers shall pay to
6 each of their employees who in any workweek is engaged in commerce or
7 in the production of goods for commerce, or is employed in an enterprise
8 engaged in commerce or in the production of goods for commerce.

9 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Labor shall oversee the implementation of this bill.

10 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall go into effect at the start of Fiscal Year 2018.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Unionville High School