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P-1

A Bill to Monetize Living Organ Donation

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

2. **SECTION 1.** The National Organ Transplant Act will hereby be amended to allow the sale of organs
3. from living donors. Once a person decides to sell their organs, they will be placed on the
4. transplant center's registry of live donors. These sales will only happen with the approval
5. of the transplant hospital where the donation will occur and an independent donor
6. advocate. The amount of monetary compensation will be decided by the independent
7. donor advocate.

8. **SECTION 2.** Organs that can be donated from living donors will be one kidney, one lobe from one
9. lung, part of the liver, pancreas, and intestine. Monetary compensation must, at
10. minimum, cover the costs of the procedure and amount of lost wages during recovery.

11. **SECTION 3.** The Health Resources and Services Administration will oversee the implementation of
12. this bill.

13. A. The Health Resources and Services Administration will be allocated an annual
14. \$80 million in funding to update the Organ Procurement and Transplantation
15. Network to the terms of this legislation

16. B. Any transplant center that is found to be undercompensating donors who wish to
17. be paid for their donation will be moved off of the Organ Procurement and
18. Transplantation Network.

19. **SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect on January 1st, 2028.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Akron District

Delivering Reliable and Inexpensive Vehicles for Everyone (DRIVE) Act

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

2. **SECTION 1.** The Department of Transportation shall hereby be directed to establish an Office of
3. Automotive Affordability (OAA) to be tasked with halting predatory financing practices,
4. overseeing the refinancing of existing loans, and directly assisting consumers with the
5. purchase of hybrid and electric vehicles.

6. **SECTION 2.** Additionally, Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) standards shall be amended to
7. eliminate the “Light Truck” category and reclassify pickup trucks and SUVs as passenger
8. vehicles. A new “Commercial Vehicle” category shall be created for all vehicles with a
9. footprint larger than 41 square feet that are purpose-built for commercial activity,
10. including but not limited to delivery vehicles and heavy trucks.

11. **SECTION 3.** The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) shall be directed to oversee
12. implementation of new CAFE standards and the reclassification of vehicles currently for
13. sale in the United States. The Department of Transportation shall oversee and
14. administer the Office of Automotive Affordability.

15. A. The Office of Automotive Affordability shall be granted an annual budget of \$25
16. billion dollars for administrative costs, the creation and funding of financial
17. assistance programs, and the refinancing of predatory loans.

18. **SECTION 4.** The legislation shall take effect January 1st, 2028.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Canton District

P-3

A Resolution to Withdraw from the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2. **WHEREAS,** The United States' membership in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) has led
3. to an excessive economic and political burden; and
4. **WHEREAS,** The United States currently contributes billions dollars annually to support NATO and its
5. operations, which diverts resources from domestic and foreign issues; and
6. **WHEREAS,** U.S. involvement in NATO often entangles the nation in foreign conflicts and political
7. disputes that do not directly serve American interests, increasing the risk of military
8. escalation and international tension now, therefore, be it
9. **RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled, that the United States of America shall formally and
10. fully withdraw from NATO by invoking Article 13 of the NATO Treaty.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Cleveland District

A Bill to Prohibit Algorithmic Price Discrimination

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

2. **SECTION 1.** Businesses operating in interstate commerce shall be prohibited from using algorithmic
3. systems to charge different prices to consumers for identical goods or services based on
4. personal consumer data.

5. **SECTION 2.** For the purposes of this legislation:

6. A. “Algorithmic systems” shall be defined as automated or artificial
7. intelligence–based technologies used to set or adjust prices without direct
8. human input.

9. B. “Personal consumer data” shall include, but not be limited to, browsing history,
10. purchase history, geolocation data, device type, or inferred demographic
11. information.

12. C. “Identical goods or services” shall be defined as products or services that do not
13. materially differ in quality, quantity, or function.

14. **SECTION 3.** The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) shall oversee the enforcement of this legislation by
15. regulating unfair and deceptive pricing practices.

16. A. The FTC shall be authorized to investigate and audit algorithmic pricing systems
17. upon reasonable suspicion of noncompliance.

18. B. Businesses found in violation of this legislation shall be subject to civil penalties
19. including repayment of excess profits generated through algorithmic price
20. discrimination and a civil fine not exceeding 2 percent of the gross profits derived
21. from the affected goods or services during the fiscal year.

22. **SECTION 4.** Nothing in this legislation shall prevent price changes that are applied equally to all
23. consumers, including sales, bulk discounts, or price changes caused by general supply
24. and demand.

25. **SECTION 5.** This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2027.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Columbus District

P-5

A Bill to Prohibit the Sale and Possession of Energy Drinks in Public Schools

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2. **SECTION 1.** Energy drinks shall be prohibited from being sold, distributed, or possessed by students
3. during the school day on public K–12 school campuses.
4. **SECTION 2.** For the purposes of this legislation, an “energy drink” is defined as any beverage
5. containing more than 100 milligrams of caffeine per serving and marketed for energy
6. enhancement, alertness, or performance. This does not include coffee, tea, or medically
7. prescribed substances.
8. **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Department of Education, in coordination with state and local school districts,
9. shall oversee enforcement of this policy. Enforcement shall occur through school
10. disciplinary codes and restrictions on vending machine and cafeteria sales. Schools may
11. confiscate prohibited beverages without further penalty.
12. **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect at the beginning of the first academic semester following
13. its passage.
14. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the GMV District

P-6

A Bill to Extend EV Incentives

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2. **SECTION 1.** As of the passing of this legislation, the federal electric vehicle tax credit from the 2022
3. Inflation Reduction Act will be extended until the fiscal year 2030.
4. **SECTION 2.** An electric vehicle (EV) is defined under 15 U.S. Code § 2502.
5. **SECTION 3.** The Department of Energy will implement this legislation.
6. A. In addition to extending the tax credit, any qualifying PHEV (plug-in hybrid
7. electric vehicle) and hybrid vehicles will be subject to a \$3750 tax credit.
8. B. This legislation shall be funded through a 5% increase in internal combustion
9. automobile tariffs.
10. **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be implemented upon its passing.
11. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Toledo District

A Bill to Limit SuperPAC Spending in Federal Elections

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

2. **SECTION 1.** Super Political Action Committees (SuperPACs) shall be prohibited from spending more
3. than \$5,000,000 in independent expenditures in support of or in opposition to any single
4. federal candidate in any single election cycle.

5. **SECTION 2.** A Super Political Action Committee shall be defined as any
6. independent-expenditure-only political committee permitted to raise unlimited funds
7. under federal law.

8. Independent expenditure shall be defined as any advocacy for the election or defeat of a
9. federal candidate that is not coordinated with said candidate or their respective political
10. party. Expenditure includes but is not limited to: digital and mail advertising, opposition
11. research, voter targeting, lobbying, etc.

12. Election cycle shall be defined as the period beginning the day after a federal general
13. election and ending on the day of the next federal general election.

14. **SECTION 3.** The Federal Election Commission (FEC) shall enforce this legislation by requiring
15. SuperPACs to file monthly expenditure reports.

16. A. Any SuperPAC found to exceed Section 1's spending limit shall be fined an
17. amount equal to 200% of the excess amount.

18. B. Repeated violations may result in the suspension of the committee's registration
19. for the remainder of the election cycle.

20. **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect beginning with the first federal election cycle occurring
21. at least one year after passage.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Youngstown District

S-1

A Bill to Kill the Shadow Docket

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:
2. **SECTION 1.** The Supreme Court of the United States is hereby prohibited from making motions and
3. issuing orders on the shadow docket. All motions and orders must henceforth be made
4. with the utmost transparency and respect for procedure.
5. **SECTION 2.** The shadow docket refers to those motions and orders that are made outside of
6. ordinary procedure, specifically without having reached final judgment, decision on
7. appeal, and/or oral arguments.
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.

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S-2

A Bill to Ensure Competency in the Department of Education

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2. **SECTION 1.** No individual shall serve in any decision-making role within the Department of Education
3. without having attained a bare minimum of experience as an educator within the United
4. States and its territories.

5. **SECTION 2.** A decision-making role shall be defined as any role that empowers the individual holding
6. it to affect education policy in any way whatsoever, however minute. A bare minimum of
7. experience as an educator shall be defined as at least thirty (30) cumulative days within
8. a six-month period spent as a classroom teacher, including substitute teaching, with no
9. statute of limitations on this requirement.

10. **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall not apply to any persons currently working for the Department of
11. Education but only to all future appointees and hires.

12. **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be overseen by the Department of Education.

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

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

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S-3

A Bill to Invest in Meteorite Prevention

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:
2. **SECTION 1.** The Department of Defense is hereby directed to utilize their resources to make
3. meteorite prevention a priority. Congress shall expect within five years a comprehensive
4. report from the Department of Defense detailing a variety of protocols they have made
5. ready to engage against approaching meteorites of all shapes and sizes.
6. **SECTION 2.** Congress encourages the Department of Defense to spearhead and engage consistently
7. in international collaboration in pursuit of these goals.
8. **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall be overseen by the Department of Defense.
9. **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.
10. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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S-4

A Bill to Halt Construction of the White House Ballroom

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2. **SECTION 1.** Congress hereby orders all construction on the White House Ballroom to be immediately
3. halted.

4. **SECTION 2.** Construction may only recommence if the Executive submits full and detailed plans to
5. the National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC) and only then once the NCPC has
6. approved those plans.

7. **SECTION 3.** Prior to any continuation of construction, the NCPC is instructed to work in conjunction
8. with the Smithsonian Institution to assess the destruction wrought upon the historic
9. East Wing, to do whatever possible to preserve the priceless elements and artifacts that
10. remain that may be salvaged from that wing, and to see how the planned Ballroom
11. might incorporate those elements and artifacts in a tasteful and meaningful manner.
12. Those elements and artifacts that cannot be incorporated into the Ballroom shall be
13. turned over to the Smithsonian Institution to be preserved for posterity.

14. **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be overseen by the NCPC.

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

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

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F-1

A Bill to Update Maps

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:
2. **SECTION 1.** The use of the Mercator Projection shall be eliminated in maps within all agencies and
3. offices of the federal government, particularly those maps that are on display. These
4. maps shall be replaced with ones that utilize the Gall-Peters Projection or, where
5. practicable, globes.
6. **SECTION 2.** Only when necessary for navigational purposes shall the continued use of the Mercator
7. Projection be permitted.
8. **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall be overseen by the U.S. Geological Survey.
9. **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2027.
10. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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F-2

The AI Manhattan Project Act (AIMPA)

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:
2. **SECTION 1.** Congress shall apportion \$30 billion to the Department of Defense and the Department
3. of Energy for the immediate initiation of the AI Manhattan Project.
4. **SECTION 2.** The term AI Manhattan Project shall refer to the government consolidation of all
5. relevant private and public sector resources to develop Artificial General Intelligence
6. capabilities as soon as possible. As a matter of national defense, such a project would
7. receive top priority and be executed with the strictest confidentiality to protect against
8. foreign espionage.
9. **SECTION 3.** The Congressional Budget Office shall be tasked with bringing about the economic
10. feasibility of such an expensive undertaking. All funding options shall be open for
11. consideration, including significant reallocation of the current budgets of the
12. Department of Defense and the Department of Energy.
13. **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be jointly overseen by the Department of Defense and the
14. Department of Energy.
15. **SECTION 5.** This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.
16. **SECTION 6.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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F-3

A Bill to Ban Pharmaceutical Ads from Television and Streaming Services

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:
2. **SECTION 1.** Television stations and streaming services are henceforth prohibited from running
3. advertisements for medications where they may be viewed by consumers in the United
4. States and its territories.
5. **SECTION 2.** Any television station or streaming service found to be in violation of this legislation
6. shall
7. be fined \$10,000 for each second of runtime during which pharmaceuticals were
8. advertised on their station or service. Should any station or service accrue more than
9. \$10 million in fines within the space of one year, their license to broadcast shall be
10. suspended for a period of one (1) year.
11. **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall be overseen and enforced by the Federal Communications
12. Commission (FCC).
13. **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2027.
14. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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F-4

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Enfranchise the Incarcerated

1. **RESOLVED,** That the following article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the
2. United States, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution
3. when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states within seven years
4. from the date of its submission by the Congress:

5. **ARTICLE —**

6. **SECTION 1.** The right of those who are incarcerated to vote shall not be infringed at any point
7. leading up to, during, or after their sentence, regardless of the details or scope of their
8. crime or punishment.

9. **SECTION 2.** It is the affirmative duty of states and territories to ensure that the incarcerated face no
10. undue barriers impeding them in the free exercise of this right.

11. **SECTION 3.** The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

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