



## **EAST Championship Legislation 2023 - 2024**

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# SESSION 1: A Bill to Replenish Blood Banks

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Any individual over the age of 16 years old that is eligible to donate blood  
3 will receive a federal tax credit for the calendar year they donate.

4 **SECTION 2.** Individuals that donate must meet the standards to safely donate  
5 outlined by the Red Cross Administration.

6 **SECTION 3.** The National Institute of Health will jointly assist the IRS to enforce this  
7 bill.

8 A. The tax credit for the first pint donated every year will be granted a 5%  
9 federal tax deduction for the current tax year and will receive an  
10 additional 1% tax credit for every pint donated in succession.

11 B. The IRS and National Institute of Health will uphold this legislation until  
12 they deem that the country is no longer in a national blood shortage.

13 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect beginning immediately following passage.

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

15 *Introduced for Congressional Debate.*

# SESSION 1: A Bill to Improve Public Transportation

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States will expand and improve public transportation  
3 networks across the nation, including the funding for new bus and rail  
4 lines and the introduction of environmentally friendly transportation  
5 options.

6 **SECTION 2.** For the purposes of this Act:

7 A. Public transportation networks include bus, rail, and other forms of  
8 mass transit available to the public.

9 B. Environmentally friendly transportation options refer to transportation  
10 means that significantly reduce or eliminate emissions, such as electric  
11 buses.

12 C. Infrastructure improvements encompass upgrades to existing  
13 transportation facilities, construction of new routes and stations, and  
14 enhancements to ensure accessibility and efficiency.

15 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Department of the Office of Management and Budget will  
16 oversee implementation of this legislation.

17 A. During a government shutdown, furloughed government employees  
18 are prohibited from even checking their e-mail from home. Many  
19 agencies require employees to return their government-issued electronic  
20 devices for the duration of the shutdown.

21 B. The Department of Transportation (DoT) shall oversee the  
22 enforcement and implementation of this bill.

23 1. The DoT will decide the allocation of federal grants, oversee  
24 infrastructure projects, and conduct regular audits to ensure the  
25 effective use of funds.

26 2. The DoT will coordinate with state and local governments to  
27 identify critical areas for public transportation expansion and  
28 improvement.

29 **SECTION 4.** This Act shall take effect beginning on July 1, 2024. The DoT will develop  
30 a detailed implementation schedule within six months of the Act's  
31 passage, prioritizing areas with the greatest need for public  
32 transportation improvements.

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

34 *Introduced for Congressional Debate*

# SESSION 2: A Bill to Require Schools to Start at No Earlier Than 10AM

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All K-12 public schools within United States territory will be required to begin  
3 school no earlier than ten o'clock in the morning on Monday through Friday,  
4 except on national holidays and other days off. Schools will be permitted to  
5 extend their daily schedules to ensure that the same amount of time is  
6 allocated to classroom learning. Schools will also be permitted to postpone  
7 after school activities or transfer them to the before school hours.

8 **SECTION 2.** A "public school" is a school that is maintained at public expense for the  
9 education of the children of a community or district and that constitutes  
10 a part of a system of free public education commonly including primary  
11 and secondary schools.

12 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Education (DOE) will provide enforcement for this bill  
13 by reducing funding to any schools who do not conform to the new bill.

14 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will be enacted immediately upon passage.

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

17 *Introduced for Congressional Debate*

## SESSION 2: Teacher Diversity and Retention Act

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Competitive grants shall be awarded to institutions of higher education which  
3 have a teacher or school leader preparation program and serve predominantly  
4 racially diverse, socioeconomically diverse, or gender diverse populations.

5 A. These grants will establish Augustus F. Hawkins Centers of Excellence at these  
6 institutions for the purposes of recruitment, training, and retention of diverse  
7 candidates into the teaching profession.

8 **SECTION 2.** Grants shall be provided to each state department of education, and the  
9 institutions described in Section 1 for the development of social and emotional  
10 learning training.

11 A. All states shall require certification in social and emotional learning as part of  
12 their full teacher certification. All teacher preparation programs must include  
13 social and emotional learning as a requirement for graduation. Failure to do so  
14 will result in the forfeiture of future grant funding.

15 **SECTION 3.** The Secretary of Education will oversee the development of these programs and  
16 shall annually report to Congress as to their effectiveness.

17 A. The programs shall receive an appropriation of \$100,000,000 for each of the  
18 next five fiscal years.

19 **SECTION 4.** This shall take effect at the start of the 2024-2025 school year.

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

21 *Introduced for Congressional Debate.*

## **SESSION 3: Swedish F.I.S.H. (Federal Institutes for Societal Healing)**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT

2 **Section 1:** Federal prisons shall reform based upon the following guidelines.

3 A. Prison workers shall henceforth serve a dual purpose of enforcer and social  
4 worker.

5 B. Rehabilitation services shall be provided at every federal prison.

6 C. Federal prisons shall follow Sweden's example of security levels, and over time  
7 prisoners shall be reassigned and infrastructure shall be updated to fit  
8 requirements to meet and adhere to the security level system.

9 D. Prisoners shall have access to educational services while serving

10 **Section 2:** Prison workers and enforcers shall be defined as correctional officers or other  
11 guarding. personnel who interact with inmates. Social workers shall be defined  
12 as those who aid inmates with preparation for re-entry into society.

13 A. The aforementioned security levels are defined as a system in which prisoners  
14 shall be assigned to specific prison facilities based on their assessed risk.

15 B. Specifics shall be defined by the actors of this bill.

16 C. Anything not specifically defined is assumed under the First Step Act. 17.

17 **Section 3:** This legislation shall be enforced by the Federal Bureau of Prisons (BOP) in  
18 combination with the Department of Justice (DOJ).

19 A. The DOJ shall create a 5% income tax on private prisons.

20 B. \$50 million per year shall be provided under Program Changes in The Salaries  
21 and Expenses (S&E) appropriation.

- 1 **Section 4:** This legislation shall be effective immediately upon passing. Completion of
- 2 infrastructure changes shall be required by January 1st, 2026.
- 3 **Section 5:** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby null and void.
- 4 *Introduced for Congressional Debate.*

## SESSION 3: A Bill to Protect the Youth's Access to Higher Education

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT

2 **Section 1:** Federal student loans will no longer be distributed to students who attend a  
3 college or university that increases their annual fees more than the  
4 consumer price index as an incentive to lower tuition prices.

5 **Section 2:** The following terms are defined as:

6 A. "Federal student loans" shall be defined as money borrowed by students and  
7 parents/guardians from the federal government to help pay for one's higher  
8 education, that must be repaid with interest.

9 B. "Annual fees" shall be defined as the total yearly cost of a college or university  
10 education including the total cost of yearly tuition and any other fees the  
11 campus may charge with respect to parking, activity center use, or any other  
12 school-sponsored activity including sporting events.

13 C. "Consumer price index" shall be defined as a measure of the average change  
14 in prices over time in a fixed market basket of goods and services.

15 **Section 3:** The U.S. Department of Education shall oversee the implementation of this bill.

16 **Section 4:** This legislation will take effect on July 1, 2025.

17 **Section 5:** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby null and void.

18 *Introduced for Congressional Debate.*