

# Wakefield Warmup

## Preliminary Legislation

- A Bill to Lower Government Spending
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# **PRELIMINARY**

## **A Bill to Lower Government Spending**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1.** The age at which a citizen of the united states receives Social Security Benefits shall hereby be increased to 68 years of age to reflect the longer lifespan of Americans and Two years after the passage of this legislation the age at which a citizen receives Social Security benefits will be increased to 70 years of age

**SECTION 2.** “Social Security Benefits ” shall be defined as the “Social Security Benefits ” introduced in the *1935 Social Security Act*

**SECTION 3.** The United States Social Security Administration will be charged with the enforcement of this legislation

**SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect at the beginning of the next fiscal year .

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Senator Makai Henry of Nova High School*

## **PRELIMINARY**

### **A Bill to Halt Firearm Sales to Saudi Arabia**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- SECTION 1.** The United States shall halt all firearm sales to Saudi Arabia to promote peace in Yemen.
- SECTION 2.** Firearms shall be defined as any instrument used in combat for the purpose of killing, injuring, or defeating an enemy.
- SECTION 3.** The U.S Department of Defense shall oversee the enforcement of this legislation.
- SECTION 4.** The Legislation shall go into effect January 1st, 2021.
- SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Cypress Bay High School*

## **PRELIMINARY**

### **A Bill to Raise Minimum Wage to Fight Income Inequity**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States government will issue a \$22 an hour federal minimum  
3 wage.

4 **SECTION 2.** State governments can increase the minimum wage in their states from  
5 the federal minimum wage.

6 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Labor will oversee the enforcement of  
7 this law.

8 A. The federal minimum wage will remain the standard \$22 even if tips  
9 or commission are provided.

10 **SECTION 4.** After 12 months, all states must implement the new federal minimum  
11 wage.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Sarah Mumby of Cooper City High School*



## PRELIMINARY

### A Bill to Combat the Spread of COVID-19

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Facial coverings must be worn in all public places until the Director of the  
3 Centers for Disease Control declares the threat to public health by the  
4 COVID-19 pandemic to be over.

5 **SECTION 2.** Facial covering must cover both the mouth and nose at all times. Public  
6 places are any location generally open and accessible to any person and  
7 such places where people gather in groups of 10 or more.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Health and Human Services through the Centers for  
9 Disease Control shall enforce this legislation.

10 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect immediately upon being signed into  
11 law.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Wakefield Warmup tab room.*

# **PRELIMINARY**

## **A Resolution to Recognize Kurdistan as a Sovereign Nation**

- WHEREAS.** The Kurds are an independent ethnic group that make up the majority of the residents of Kurdistan, a region within Western Asia divided between Syria, Iraq, Iran and Turkey; and
- WHEREAS.** The Kurds have been suppressed by the regimes their ancestral lands fall under, and have suffered human rights abuses and been denied education due to ethnic conflict and discrimination; and
- WHEREAS.** Have shown interest in forming an independent democratic government in a region of autocratic regimes to escape suppression by regional governments; and
- WHEREAS,** The Kurdish Peshmerga has been instrumental in combating and defeating ISIS and other terror organizations and the spread of the Syrian autocracy; and
- WHEREAS,** The United States has informally dealt with Kurds as a separate nation, and has used their independent militias to further our agenda in the Middle East; now, therefore, be it,
- RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled that the United States of America recognize Kurdistan as a sovereign nation and support the development of a stable democratic government of Kurdistan through 50 million dollars in developmental and diplomatic aid.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Justin Gonzalez, West Broward High School*

# **PRELIMINARY**

## **A Bill to Restore Felons' Rights to Vote.**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1.** Select ex-felons shall regain the right to vote.

A. This bill shall be enforced on a federal level, notwithstanding states with similar or more restrictive covenants.

**SECTION 2.** Select ex-felons shall be defined as people with prior felony convictions who have completed their sentence, not including those convicted of murder or a felony sexual offense. A Sentence shall be defined as the period of imprisonment, parole and probation completed by a felon.

**SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice shall oversee this piece of legislation

**SECTION 4.** This bill shall be implemented by October 2020

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Sabrina Rapoport of Cooper City High School.*

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## Finals Legislation

- A Bill to Dispose of College Entry Exams
- A Bill to Enact a National All-Mail Voting System





## FINALS

# A Bill to Dispose of College Entry Exams to Promote and Create Fairness in the US Secondary Education System

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The SAT, ACT, and any other college admission exam will no longer be a  
3 deciding factor in college acceptance

4 **SECTION 2.** -SAT/ACT: standardized tests widely used for college admissions in the  
5 United States

6 **SECTION 3.** Federal Student Aid and Education Departments will oversee the  
7 implementation of this bill by ensuring that no college or university in  
8 America will accept or deny a student based on standardized test scores  
9 alone.

10 A. Standardized tests can be required for college class placement  
11 purposes only.

12 B. Standardized tests will not be considered in the admissions offices.

13 **SECTION 4.** This bill will begin implementation in January of 2021.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Desiree Kurtz of Cooper City High School*

# FINALS

## A Bill to Enact a National All-Mail Voting System

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1:** The United States shall adopt an All-Mail Voting system for the 2020 presidential election and all future elections.

**Section 2:** A Mail-In Voting System shall be defined as an election system in which registered voters have ballots mailed to their address before Election Day.

A. Voters can mail back their ballots or deposit them at a voting location or secure drop box by a certain time on and/or before Election Day.

B. Absentee ballots shall be defined as ballots requested by a registered voter who will be out of state at the time of the election.

**Section 3:** The United States Postal Service shall oversee the implementation of this legislation in conjunction with local and state elections offices.

**Section 4:** This bill shall go into effect immediately upon passing.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Nova High School*