

# CCHS December After School Congress Docket, Item #1

## A Bill to Eliminate Crude Oil Subsidies

1. **BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:**
2. **SECTION 1.** The Internal Revenue Code (i.e., the “U.S. Tax Code”) is amended to repeal
3. all subsidies related to the exploration, drilling, production, transportation and storage of
4. crude oil.
5. **Section 2.** Definitions: The term “crude oil” encompasses oil in all of its naturally occurring
6. forms including condensates, natural gas, any bitumen or bituminous mixture, any oil
7. derived from tar sands, and any oil derived from oil shale.
8. **Section 3.** This legislation shall go into effect immediately upon passage.
9. **Section 4.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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# CCHS December After School Congress Docket, Item #2

## A Resolution of Support for Public Defenders

1. **WHEREAS**, There are essentially two criminal justice systems in the sense that rich
2. individuals can often escape the harshest implications of retribution through paying high
3. bails and hiring well-trained, expensive lawyers, while poorer defendants rely on over-
4. worked public defenders provided to them by the state, decreasing their chances of
5. shortening or eliminating their sentences; and
6. **WHEREAS**, Estimates find that 88% of criminal defendants represented by a public
7. defender received a criminal sentence, compared to 77% of criminal defendants receiving as
8. sentence who were represented by a private attorney, and those represented by the state also
9. have much longer wait times to acquire legal counsel itself; and
10. **WHEREAS**, A criminal sentence can permanently impede an individual's ability to find
11. work, and the opportunity cost of being imprisoned is that an individual loses time to build
12. on their own career, while simultaneously undergoing the psychological harms associated
13. with being in the prison system; and
14. **WHEREAS**, Most criminal defense trials take place at the state level; now, therefore, be it
15. **RESOLVED**, That the Congress here assembled urge state legislatures to engage in
16. criminal justice reform through significantly increasing funding for public defenders.

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# CCHS December After School Congress Docket, Item #3

## A Bill to Legalize and Tax Marijuana

1. **BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:**
2. **Section 1.** The U.S. Attorney General shall remove marijuana from the government’s list of
3. controlled substances, so that manufacturing, distribution, or possession of marijuana or
4. marijuana-infused products no longer warrants criminal penalties.
5. **Section 2.** The Internal Revenue Code (i.e., the “U.S. Tax Code”) is amended to establish a
6. 5% sales tax to be collected on all marijuana and marijuana-infused products in the same
7. manner as certain tobacco products, and deposited in a new trust fund — the “Opportunity
8. Trust Fund” — to be administered by the U.S. Small Business Administration.
9. **Section 3.** The Small Business Administration shall use the Opportunity Trust Fund to
10. establish loans and services for marijuana-related legitimate businesses or service providers.
11. **Section 4.** This law will go into effect no later than 180 days after passage of this Act.
12. **Section 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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# CCHS December After School Congress Docket, Item #4

## A Bill to Close Guantanamo Bay

1. **BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:**
2. **SECTION 1.** The detention center at Guantanamo holding individuals the Federal
3. government has deemed to be enemies of the State will be immediately closed.
4. **SECTION 2.** The following considerations will apply:
  5. A. Guantanamo Bay, located in southeast Cuba, serves as the site of an American
  6. naval base used as a detainment camp for suspected al-Qaeda and Taliban affiliates.
  7. B. A board will be established to organize the transportation of prisoners back to the
  8. United States where they will be granted due process and a full legal trial.
9. **Section 3.** The Department of Defense will oversee the enforcement of this legislation:
  10. A. The Department of Defense will be in charge of the transfer of prisoners and the closure
  11. of the detention center.
  12. B. The Department of Defense will allocate \$3 billion of its budget toward the
  13. organization of expedient trials.
14. **Section 4.** This legislation shall go into effect immediately upon passage.
15. **Section 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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## Docket, Item #5

### A Bill to Tax Sugar

1. **BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:**
2. **SECTION 1.** A tax will be implemented on all beverages containing 5 or more grams of
3. sugar per 100 milliliters.
4. **SECTION 2.** The following definitions will apply:
5. A. A sugar tax will be defined as \$.25 per liter of beverage containing sugar.
6. B. The revenue from the tax will be allocated to address obesity, diabetes, and
7. related health conditions.
8. **SECTION 3.** The Food and Drug Administration and the Internal Revenue Service
9. will oversee the enforcement of this legislation.
10. **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go into effect immediately upon passage.
11. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this bill are hereby declared null and void.

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# CCHS December After School Congress Docket, Item #6

## A Resolution to Ban Sororities & Fraternities

1. **WHEREAS**, A lack of accountability has allowed sororities and fraternities to cause
2. significant harm to student bodies through hazing practices, while also providing
3. minimal responses to instances of sexual assault and racism; and
4. **WHEREAS**, Approximately 55% of students involved in organizations report they
5. have experienced hazing and, to date, there have been over 100 hazing-related deaths,
6. and studies conclude that fraternal parties are especially dangerous for women, as
7. members of fraternities are found to be 3 times more likely to commit sexual assault
8. than a male not in a fraternity; and
9. **WHEREAS**, The structure of sorority and fraternity life prevents victims from
10. reporting out of fear of retaliation from the organization, as individuals in leadership
11. positions tend to be relatively influential and have significant power on college and
12. university campuses; and
13. **WHEREAS**, Private funding from donors and claims from colleges and universities
14. stating that they do not have control over the actions of individual organizations
15. prevents any level of external accountability, meaning administrative reform to
16. sororities and fraternities is nearly impossible; now, therefore, be it
17. **RESOLVED**, That the Congress here assembled make the following recommendation
18. to eliminate sororities and fraternities at colleges and universities.

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