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*Legislation Packet*

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## 101. A BILL TO INCREASE THE FUNDING OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE RESEARCH

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

- 1 SECTION 1. This bill will increase the funding of Artificial Intelligence.
- 2 SECTION 2. Artificial Intelligence can be defined in this case as the ability of a digital
- 3 computer or computer-controlled robot to perform tasks commonly
- 3 associated with intelligent beings.
- 4 SECTION 3. The Federal government will increase the funding of the NIST (National
- 5 Institute of Standards and Technology) for Artificial Intelligence by
- 6 increasing the funding of the NIST by 15%.
- 7 SECTION 4. This will be implemented starting October 1st, 2023.
- 8 SECTION 5. All other laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby null and void.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Rep. Rohdert, Fort Walton Beach High School*

## 102. A BILL TO BAN TACKLING IN FOOTBALL AND RUGBY

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

- 1 SECTION 1. Tackling is hereby prohibited in public elementary, middle, and secondary  
2 education sports in football, rugby, and any other activities where  
3 SECTION 2. tackling is standard practice within the sport. The use of flags as a  
4 stand-in for tackling shall remain legal, and public and private leagues at  
5 SECTION 3. all levels are encouraged to embrace this humane adaptation.  
6 Tackling is defined as the intentional use of physical contact and force to  
7 arrest another player's movement, bring that player to the ground,  
8 and/or compel that player to lose possession of the ball.  
9 Any public school found to be allowing tackling sports without penalty  
10 shall be fined \$1,000 for each violation.  
11 This legislation shall be jointly overseen by the Department of Health and  
12 Human Services and the Department of Education.  
13 SECTION 4. This legislation shall take effect on August 1, 2025.  
SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,  
*NSDA January Congress Legislation*

## 103. A RESOLUTION TO DISCOURAGE SOCIAL MEDIA USE AMONG ELECTED OFFICIALS

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

1	WHEREAS,	Politicians at all levels have become over reliant on social media
2		to argue and communicate policy proposals online to niche
3		audiences and platforms; and
3	WHEREAS,	Disruption in the social media space among Twitter, Facebook,
4		TikTok, and other prominent social media platforms has made
5		credibility and trust a matter of public concern; and
6	WHEREAS,	The lack of fact-checking and mediation among nearly all social
7		media platforms have become inconsistent with the virtues of
8		open communication with the public; and
9	WHEREAS,	Political figures of all types spend disproportionate time on
10		social media platforms, either by themselves or their
11		designees, time that could be better spent governing and
12	WHEREAS,	communicating through other channels; and
13		Members of this Congress have proposed to ban TikTok from all
14	RESOLVED,	government phones due to concerns over data privacy;
15		therefore be it
16	FURTHER RESOLVED,	by the Congress here assembled that all holders of political
17		office (federal, state, county, municipal, and local) remove
18		social media apps from their phones; and that Congressional
19		and other political leaders will vow to discontinue their use of
20		public social media accounts so that public deliberation, policy
21		implementation, and enforcement no longer take place online
22		but are a part of public debate on the floors of their respective
23		legislative bodies only.

Respectfully submitted,  
*NSDA January Congress Legislation*

## 104. A BILL TO ALLOW ALL FEDERAL EMPLOYEES THE RIGHT TO UNIONIZE

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

- 1   SECTION 1.   All full-time employees of the United States Federal Government shall  
2                   have the right to unionize.
- 3   SECTION 2.   A. The right to unionize shall be defined as an employee's right “to  
3                   organize and bargain collectively with their employers, and to engage  
4                   in other protected concerted activity.”
- 5                   B. A federal employee is defined as a current employee of an agency,  
6                   including but not limited to current members of the Armed Forces or  
7                   a Reserve of the Armed Forces (Reserves), employees of the United  
8                   States Postal Service, and seasonal and temporary employees.
- 9   SECTION 3.   The Department of Labor will oversee enforcement along with the  
10                  National Labor Relations Board.
- 11   SECTION 4.   This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2023.
- 12   SECTION 5.   All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,  
*NSDA January Congress Legislation*

## 105. A BILL TO INVEST IN THE TRANS-AFRICAN HIGHWAY

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

- 1    SECTION 1.    Congress shall deliver \$10 billion to the African Development Bank  
2                    (AfDB), the African Union (AU), and the United Nations Economic  
3                    Commission for Africa (UNECA) to support the completion of the  
4                    Trans-African Highway network.
- 4    SECTION 2.    Congress directs the Department of State to work actively and  
5                    aggressively to facilitate cooperation among the nations involved in the  
6                    construction of these highways so that they may be completed as quickly  
7                    and efficiently as possible.
- 8    SECTION 3.    Funding for this legislation shall be diverted from the Department of  
9                    Defense budget.
- 10                   This legislation shall be overseen by the US Agency for International  
11                   Development (USAID).
- 12   SECTION 4.    This legislation shall take effect at the start of the next fiscal year.
- 13   SECTION 5.    All other laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby null and void.

Respectfully submitted,  
*NSDA January Congress Legislation*