

# RMN 2025 Docket

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# The Climate Change Mitigation and Economic Transition Act

1. **SECTION 1:** To address the climate crisis by implementing green energy initiatives,
2. reducing carbon emissions, and ensuring a just economic transition for workers and
3. communities affected by environmental policies. A Green Energy Fund (GEF) will be
4. established under the Department of Energy (DOE) to finance renewable energy projects
5. such as solar, wind, and hydropower in underserved regions. The fund will be allocated
6. an initial \$500 billion over the next 5 years, with subsequent yearly evaluations for
7. further funding needs. Priority will be given to low-income communities, tribal nations,
8. and rural areas to ensure equitable energy access.
9. **SECTION 2:** The United States will aim to reduce carbon emissions by 50% by the year
10. 2035, compared to 2020 levels. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will oversee
11. the establishment of regional emission reduction plans for all states and local
12. governments. Incentives, including tax breaks and grants, will be given to companies and
13. municipalities that meet their emission reduction targets ahead of schedule.
14. **SECTION 3:** Workers in fossil fuel industries such as coal, oil, and natural gas will be
15. given access to retraining programs, job placement services, and financial support during
16. their transition to green energy careers. A Transition Assistance Program (TAP) will be
17. created to offer short-term financial assistance to displaced workers for up to two years
18. while they retrain for new roles in renewable energy sectors. A National Clean Energy
19. Job Corps will be established to help build a diverse workforce for the clean energy
20. economy.
21. **SECTION 4:** A Climate Action Accountability Board (CAAB) will be formed to
22. evaluate the effectiveness of the Green Energy Fund and carbon emissions reductions,
23. publishing an annual report. An independent auditor will be appointed to oversee the
24. equitable distribution of funds and ensure transparency.
25. **SECTION 5:** This act shall take effect on January 1, 2026, with the initial fund
26. allocations and emission targets to be enforced beginning in fiscal year 2027.
27. **SECTION 6:** Any and all laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
28. and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Thompson Valley High School*

# A Bill to Increase Federal Investment in Affordable Housing Development

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1   **SECTION 1.**   The federal government shall increase investment in the development of  
2                   affordable housing through expanded funding, tax incentives, and  
3                   public-private partnerships. This investment shall prioritize urban and rural  
4                   communities facing severe housing shortages.
- 5   **SECTION 2.**   A. "Affordable housing" shall be defined as housing that costs no more  
6                   than 30% of a household's gross income, as determined by the U.S.  
7                   Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).  
8                   B. "Investment" shall be defined as direct federal funding, tax credits, and  
9                   low-interest loans provided to developers, non-profits, and state/local  
10                  governments to encourage affordable housing construction and  
11                  rehabilitation.  
12                  C. "Severe housing shortages" shall be defined as areas where at least 40%  
13                  of renters or homeowners are cost-burdened, meaning they pay more than  
14                  30% of their income toward housing.  
15                  D. Public-private partnerships shall be defined as collaborations between  
16                  government agencies and private developers or organizations to build or  
17                  renovate affordable housing units.
- 18   **SECTION 3.**   The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) shall oversee  
19                   the implementation and enforcement of this bill in coordination with the  
20                   Department of the Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).  
21                  A. The Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) program shall be expanded  
22                  by 30% to incentivize private sector investment in affordable housing  
23                  projects.  
24                  B. A \$50 billion Affordable Housing Development Fund shall be  
25                  established to provide grants and low-interest loans to state and local  
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28 governments, non-profit housing organizations, and qualified  
29 developers

30 a. At least 35% of these funds shall be allocated to rural  
31 communities experiencing housing shortages.

32 b. 50% of the funding shall be used for new construction, while  
33 50% shall go toward the rehabilitation of existing, deteriorating  
34 housing stock.

35 C. The Department of the Treasury shall provide interest-free federal loans  
36 for developers who commit to building at least 20% of their units as  
37 affordable housing for a minimum of 20 years.

38 D. A National Housing Oversight Committee shall be established to  
39 prevent fraud, track effectiveness, and ensure transparency in the  
40 allocation and use of funds. This committee shall issue annual reports  
41 to Congress detailing the progress of federally funded affordable  
42 housing initiatives.

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44 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect on October 1, 2025, with the National  
45 Housing Oversight Committee formed within six months of passage. All  
46 laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Resurrection Christian School.*

## **A Bill to Standardize the Castle Doctrine**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1       **Section One:** To increase protection for Americans in their homes, the federal
- 2       government will work to standardize the “Castle Doctrine” between all fifty states.
- 3       **Section Two:** The Castle Doctrine is defined as a legal principle that people have
- 4       the right to “absolute safety” in their homes.
- 5       The Castle Doctrine adopted under standardization will mimic the Make My Day
- 6       law in Colorado.
- 7       Standardization will be defined as making all versions of this law the same
- 8       throughout the entire United States
- 9       **Section Three:** This bill will be overseen by the United States Congress
- 10       **A.** Any state in violation of this bill will lose up to 50% of all federal funding
- 11       **Section Four:** The bill will be implemented on January 1 of 2026
- 12       **Section Five:** All laws in conflict will be declared null and void.
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*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Rocky Mountain Highschool*

# A Bill to BAN THE USE OF ANIMAL EXPERIMENTATION IN THE COSMETIC INDUSTRY

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1     **SECTION 1.**   The use of animal experimentation in the development and testing of  
2                   cosmetics is hereby banned. Laboratories and manufacturers are mandated  
3                   to adopt and implement alternative testing methods.

4     **SECTION 2.**     Animal experimentation is defined as: procedures performed on living  
5                             animals for purposes of research into basic biology and diseases, assessing  
6                             the effectiveness of new medicinal products, and testing the human health  
7                             and/or environmental safety of consumer and industry products such as  
8                             cosmetics, household cleaners, food additives, pharmaceuticals and  
9                             industrial/agro-chemicals.

10 An FDA user fee is defined as: payments made by companies to the Food  
11 and Drug Administration in exchange for the FDA to review their products.  
12 Debarment and disqualification prohibit the person or organization from  
13 engaging in the type of activity in which the violation occurred.

14 **SECTION 3.** This mandate will be enforced by the Food and Drug Administration

15           **A.** The funding for this mandate would come from the companies that  
16           make and market FDA-regulated products. The funding would come  
17           from the FDA’s “user fees”. Federal law authorizes the FDA to collect  
18           user fees to supplement the annual funding that Congress provides for  
19           the agency.

B. Failure to comply with the new FDA regulations will result in a fine of \$10,000 to \$20,000 per violation, and the organization may be debarred and disqualified after receiving three violations. Debarment and disqualification prohibit the person or organization from engaging in the type of activity in which the violation occurred.

25 C. A debarred organization can apply to be readmitted into the FDA after a  
26 period of no less than ten years following debarment.

27 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2027. All laws in conflict with  
28 this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

# A Bill to Ban Cryptocurrency Mining

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1   **SECTION 1.**   Cryptocurrency mining will no longer be legal within the United States.  
2                   Forms of cryptocurrency will no longer be accepted as a payment
- 3   **SECTION 2.**   Cryptocurrency shall be defined as an alternative payment in digital form  
4                   created by using encryption algorithms.  
5                   Mining shall be defined as the usage of hardware to complete a sequences  
6                   of blockchain networks and equations to create digital currency.
- 7   **SECTION 3.**   The Securities and Exchange Commission will oversee the enactment of  
8                   this regulation.
- 9                   A.   The IRS will administer taxes on all cryptocurrencies under violation  
10                   after passage. A 20% tax will be administered after the first violation,  
11                   50% after the second violation, and 75% tax on the the third.
- 12                   B.   **This** legislation will take effect on March, 1, 2025. All laws in conflict  
13                   with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.  
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*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Lilie Kamakele from Loveland High School.*



# A Bill to Increase Small Business Cybersecurity Protection

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1   **SECTION 1.**   The federal government shall establish a cybersecurity protection initiative  
2                   to support small businesses in safeguarding against cyber threats, reducing  
3                   financial losses, and strengthening national economic security.
- 4   **SECTION 2.**   "Small businesses" shall be defined as businesses with fewer than 500  
5                   employees, in accordance with the Small Business Administration (SBA)  
6                   standards.  
7                   "Cybersecurity protection" shall include: Financial assistance for  
8                   cybersecurity software and infrastructure upgrades. Free or low-cost  
9                   cybersecurity training programs for small business owners and employees.  
10                  The creation of a Small Business Cybersecurity Response Team (SBCRT)  
11                  within the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to provide emergency  
12                  support in the event of cyberattacks.
- 13   **SECTION 3.**   The Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), in partnership  
14                   with the Small Business Administration (SBA), shall oversee the  
15                   implementation of this bill.
- 16                  A. A Cybersecurity Grant Program (CGP) will be created, allocating \$2  
17                   billion annually to help small businesses invest in cybersecurity  
18                   defenses.
- 19                  B. Businesses that meet federal cybersecurity standards will receive tax  
20                   credits to incentivize proactive protection.
- 21                  C. A National Cybersecurity Hotline for Small Businesses will be  
22                   established to provide real-time assistance for businesses experiencing  
23                   cyber threats.
- 24   **SECTION 4.**   This legislation shall take effect on October 1, 2025. All laws in conflict with  
25                   this legislation are hereby declared null and void.  
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*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Resurrection Christian School.*

## A Bill to Increase Military Readiness with Updated Technology and Equipment

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1     **SECTION 1.**   This bill would replace outdated equipment, incorporate new technologies  
2                   such as AI and surveillance technology, and continue research to help  
3                   develop the military more in the future.

4 **SECTION 2.** Military readiness: The military's capacity to engage in combat and fulfill  
5 assigned missions and tasks.

6 Technology: Machinery and equipment developed from the application of  
7 scientific knowledge.

8 Equipment: The set of articles or physical resources serving to equip  
9 a person or thing.

10 **SECTION 3.** The Defense Innovation Unit will oversee the implementation of this bill by  
11 reallocating funds and by producing and enforcing technological  
12 advancements.

13 A. \$85 million will be provided to construct technology research centers to  
14 further continue technological advancements for the military.

15           B. Any misuse of the funds allocated for this bill will result in the  
16           termination of the agreements made and hinder future government  
17           agreements.

18 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1st, 2026. All laws in conflict with  
19 this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

# A Bill to Ban Crypto Trading

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1   **SECTION 1.**   Crypto trading shall be banned and any applications supporting the trading  
2                   of crypto shall be removed from any app stores.
- 3   **SECTION 2.**   Crypto trading shall be defined as the exchange and ownership of crypto or  
4                   stock invested within a coin. Any application allowing the trading of crypto  
5                   after the implementation of this legislation shall be removed from any app  
6                   store. Any withdrawal or investment into crypto after the implementation  
7                   of this legislation shall be seen as possessing contraband.
- 8   **SECTION 3.**   The Department of Justice shall oversee the implementation of this bill  
9        A. 1 billion shall be allocated by the US Treasury for the implementation of this bill.  
10       and 250 million shall be allocated annually.
- 11   **SECTION 4.**   This legislation will take effect on [July 1, 2027]. All laws in conflict with this  
12                   legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Rahzel Buffington from Loveland High School.*

# A Bill to Implement the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights (TABOR) Federally

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1   **SECTION 1.**   The federal government shall implement a Taxpayer's Bill of Rights  
2                   (TABOR), modeled after the State of Colorado's system, to encourage  
3                   responsible revenue growth and require voter approval for tax increases.  
4                   The following provisions shall apply:
- 5       A. Federal government revenue growth will be capped at the combined rate of  
6           inflation and population growth. Any revenue collected above this limit must be  
7           refunded to taxpayers.
- 8       B. Any proposed federal tax increase or new tax must receive direct approval from  
9           United States voters via a national referendum.
- 10   **SECTION 2.**   The following definitions apply:
- 11       A) *Revenue Growth Cap*: The maximum allowable increase in federal revenue, based  
12           on inflation and population growth.
- 13       B) *National Referendum*: A direct vote by the public on proposed tax increases.
- 14   **SECTION 3.** In the event of a national emergency or war, Congress may override the  
15           revenue cap for two years at a time with a two-thirds majority vote in both  
16           chambers.
- 17       A. Congress will have to re-vote on the revenue cap every two years if conditions  
18           persist.
- 19       B. Funds allocated for emergency federal disaster relief shall not be subject to the  
20           revenue growth cap outlined in this legislation.
- 21   **SECTION 4.**   The United States Treasury shall oversee the implementation and  
22           enforcement of this bill.
- 23       A. A budget of \$500 million shall be allocated to ensure implementation,  
24           compliance, and administration of required referendums.
- 25   **SECTION 5.**   This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2027. All laws in conflict with  
26           this legislation are hereby declared null and void.  
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# A Bill to Protect Children From Screens

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1   **SECTION 1.**    Social media platforms and games, shall set in-app time limits for children  
2                           under the age of 16.

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

5   a) *Social media platforms* are defined as online services that enable users to create and  
6   share content or participate in social networking, including but not limited to Facebook,  
7   Instagram, TikTok, Snapchat, and X (formerly Twitter).

8   b) *Games* refer to interactive digital entertainment applications, including mobile,  
9   computer, and console-based games, that incorporate multiplayer, in-app purchases, or  
10   online engagement features.

11   c) *In-app time limits* are restrictions set by the platform or application that limit the  
12   duration of usage within a given timeframe, whether daily, weekly, or otherwise.

13   **SECTION 3.**

14   a) The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) shall oversee the enforcement of this legislation.

15   b) Platforms and game developers found in violation shall be subject to a fine of up to  
16   \$50,000 per instance of noncompliance.

17   c) The FTC shall conduct annual audits of major social media and gaming companies to  
18   ensure compliance and shall provide a public report of violations.

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20   **SECTION 4.**    This legislation will take effect on May 1, 2025. All laws in conflict with this  
21                           legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Fairview High School.*

## A Resolution to Sign the AI Action Statement

- 1   **WHEREAS,**   Artificial intelligence is a rapidly advancing, and largely unregulated  
2                   technology; and
- 3   **WHEREAS,**   This technology, if left unchecked, has the potential to spark devastating  
4                   societal consequences; and
- 5   **WHEREAS,**   By delaying action, the United States places it's people and the world's  
6                   people in harm's way; and
- 7   **WHEREAS,**   In February 2025, the Paris AI action summit was held, in which the U.S was  
8                   presented with the AI Action Statement, however
- 9   **WHEREAS,**   The U.S made the ill advised decision to not sign onto this agreement, thus
- 10 **RESOLVED,**   That the United States should sign onto the AI Action Statement at the next  
11                  available opportunity, and encourage its allies to do so.

# A Bill to Provide Financial Equity for Small Businesses to Combat Corporate Monopolization and Expand Economic Innovation

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1   **SECTION 1.**       The federal government shall establish a **Small Business Financial Equity Program** in order  
2                           to provide funding, tax incentives, and regulatory protections for small businesses that are  
3                           facing monopolistic barriers.
- 4   **SECTION 2.**
- 5                           A.   The term “**Small Business**” shall be defined as a business with fewer than 500  
6                               employees
- 7                           B.   The term “**Monopolistic Barriers**” shall be defined as anti-competitive practices such  
8                               as price manipulation, supply chain restrictions, predatory acquisitions, or  
9                               exclusionary contracts used by large corporations to suppress smaller competitors. To  
10                              be flagged for causing such barriers, companies must control 40% or more of the  
11                              market share in a given industry based on a market share analysis conducted by the  
12                              FTC.
- 13   **SECTION 3.**
- 14                           A.   The **Small Business Administration (SBA)** shall expand its existing loan programs,  
15                               reallocating a portion of unused federal business development funds rather than  
16                               increasing government spending.
- 17                           B.   The **Federal Trade Commission (FTC)** shall strengthen antitrust enforcement,  
18                               prioritizing investigations into industries where small businesses face high barriers to  
19                               entry. They will have the responsibility of finding monopolistic barriers and punishing  
20                               companies that choose to engage in them. They will have a \$100 million dollar  
21                               increase to their budget annually in order to accomplish this goal, which may include,  
22                               but not be limited to: technological improvements, investigations, and covering  
23                               staffing.
- 24                           C.   The **Department of the Treasury** shall implement tax incentives for financial  
25                               institutions that prioritize lending to small businesses under this program. The funding  
26                               allocated to this initiative shall be \$2 billion dollars annually.
- 27                           D.   The **Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC)** shall create a publicly accessible  
28                               database tracking corporate acquisitions of small businesses to increase transparency  
                                 and prevent predatory buyouts. They shall cooperate with the FTC and DOJ, who  
                                 already oversee pre-merger notifications in the status quo. They will receive a \$50  
                                 million dollar increase annually to their budget in order to accomplish this goal.
- E.   A bipartisan oversight committee shall be established to ensure accountability and  
                                 prevent fraud, with annual reporting requirements to Congress.
- SECTION 4.**       This legislation will take effect on FY 2026. All laws in conflict with this legislation are  
                                 hereby declared null and void.