

Florida Civics & Debate Initiative

FCDI #1 Congressional Debate Legislation

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SECTION 2. A. Ranked Choice voting (RCV) is a preferential system of voting.

B. If a candidate wins a majority of first-preference votes, he or she will be declared the winner of the election.

C. If no candidate wins a majority of first-preference votes, the candidate with the fewest first preference votes will be eliminated, lifting the second-preference choices indicated on those ballots.

D. A new tally will be conducted to determine if any candidate has won a majority of the adjusted votes.

E. The process will be repeated until a candidate has an outright majority.

SECTION 3. The Federal Election Committee will oversee implementation.

SECTION 4. This bill will go into effect for all federal elections after the year 2020.

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

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Christopher Columbus.



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A Bill to Convert to The Metric System to facilitate international cooperation

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- **SECTION 1**. The US would adopt the metric system and gradually phase out the imperial system.
- **SECTION 2.** "Gradually phase out" is defined as discontinuing use of imperial measurements within 3-5 years.

"Adopt" is defined as a full conversion to metric, with no contrasting use of imperial measurements within 3-5 years

- **SECTION 3.** The Weights and Measurements division of the Executive branch.
 - A. \$350 million of taxpayer funds will be allocated towards conversion
 - B. Noncompliant organizations will be taxed at an increasing rate beyond the 3-5 year window.
 - C. Organizations which switch early (1-2 years) will have access to tax breaks and government relief.
- **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect on January 1st 2026
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 Introduced for Congressional Debate by Christopher Columbus High School



Currency Optimization, Innovation, and National Savings

(COINS) Act of 2025

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- **SECTION 1**. The United States will suspend the minting of the penny
- **SECTION 2.** A penny shall be defined as a zinc and copper coin with a monetary value of 1 cent in US dollars.
- SECTION 3. The United States Mint shall be responsible for the end of penny manufacturing. The US Department of Treasury shall be in charge of recycling and selling metals originally purchased for penny minting, as well as enforcement of proper rounding on part of businesses.
 - A. Proceeds from the sale of surplus zinc and copper will be reallocated to the National Savings
 - B. Citizens may continue to exchange pennies or circulating coinage.
 - C. When pennies are unavailable, Places of purchase shall round all cash purchases ending in 1 and 2 cents down to 0, 3 and 4 cents up to 5, 6 and 7 down to 5, 8 and 9 up to 10.
- **SECTION 4.** This bill shall come into effect immediately upon passage.
- **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void. Introduced for Congressional Debate by Christopher Columbus Debate