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Congressional Debate Docket

Round 1

1 A Bill to Establish a National Standard for Public School Dress Codes

2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

3 1. All public schools shall adopt a standardized dress-code policy prohibiting clothing that is
4 excessively revealing, including garments that expose the chest, buttocks, or
5 undergarments.

6 2. Dress codes may not discriminate based on gender, race, religion, or cultural expression.

7 3. Violations shall result in non-punitive measures such as a warning or request to change
8 clothing, rather than suspension or expulsion.

9 4. The Department of Education shall publish model guidelines for schools to implement.

10 5. All laws in conflict with this bill are declared null and void

11 A Bill to Establish a Federal Tax on Single-Use Plastic Products

12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

13 1. A federal excise tax of 10 cents shall be imposed on each single-use plastic bag, cup,
14 container, and food-service utensil sold in the United States.

15 2. Products certified as reusable or containing at least 75% recycled material shall be exempt.

16 3. Revenue shall fund recycling infrastructure and plastic-pollution cleanup programs.

17 4. The tax shall be reviewed after five years to determine its environmental and economic
18 effects.

19 5. All laws in conflict with this bill are declared null and void

20 A Bill to Establish a Federal Basic Banking Access Program

21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

22 1. All federally insured banks with more than \$10 billion in assets shall offer a basic checking
23 account with no monthly maintenance fee.

24 2. The account shall have no overdraft fees for transactions below \$50.

25 3. Banks may not require a minimum balance for these accounts.

26 4. The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau shall oversee compliance.

27 5. All laws in conflict with this bill are declared null and void

Round 2

28 A Bill to Restrict Individual Stock Trading by Members of Congress

29 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 30 1. Members of Congress, their spouses, and dependent children may not purchase individual
31 stocks while the member holds federal office.
- 32 2. Existing individual-stock holdings may be retained but may only be sold with 7 days'
33 advance public notice.
- 34 3. Members may continue investing in diversified mutual funds, ETFs, U.S. Treasury securities,
35 and similar broadly diversified assets.
- 36 4. Violations shall result in a civil penalty equal to the greater of \$2,000 or 40% of the
37 transaction value, plus disgorgement of profits.
- 38 5. All laws in conflict with this bill are declared null and void

39 A Bill to Expand Federal Tuition Assistance for Low-Income Students

40 BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 41 1. The federal government shall provide additional Pell Grant funding to students from
42 households below 200% of the federal poverty level.
- 43 2. Eligible students attending public colleges shall receive grants covering up to 75% of
44 demonstrated unmet tuition costs.
- 45 3. Funding shall be reduced proportionally for students whose household income exceeds the
46 threshold.
- 47 4. The program shall be funded through a 1% federal tax on annual income exceeding \$1
48 million.
- 49 5. All laws in conflict with this bill are declared null and void

50 A Bill to Reform Federal Water Rights in Drought-Affected States

51 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 52 1. During federally declared severe droughts, states receiving water from interstate rivers must
53 reduce agricultural, industrial, and municipal withdrawals according to federally
54 established conservation targets.
- 55 2. Essential household drinking water shall receive priority over agricultural and industrial
56 uses.
- 57 3. The Bureau of Reclamation shall establish minimum reservoir levels for federally managed
58 water systems.
- 59 4. States failing to meet conservation targets shall lose eligibility for certain federal water
60 infrastructure grants.
- 61 5. All laws in conflict with this bill are declared null and void