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Docket A: Economic Resolution 1895

Be it resolved,

A resolution to lessen veteran unemployment rates

1. Whereas: The unemployment rate of veterans is
2. increasing at an alarming rate and;
3. Whereas: Veterans have worked too hard protecting the
4. US to be unemployed and;
5. Whereas: Most veterans have a range of disabilities
6. making it harder to keep a job;
7. Therefore: Be it resolved by this congress that we
8. increase tax breaks for companies hiring 3 or
9. more veterans by 4.5 to 6 percent

Respectfully Submitted By:

Senator Collin Mason

Spotsylvania High School

on 3/1/2012 4:14:10 PM

Docket A: Domestic Resolution 5632

Be it resolved,

1 Whereas: The United States prides itself as a "melting pot"

2 society, it has an influx of peoples from all

3 around the world with different cultures and

4 backgrounds residing within its borders; and

5 Whereas: The United States currently does not have an

6 official language; and

7 Whereas: The United States would significantly limit itself

8 both economically and socially if public

9 officials were required to learn a

10 specific language.

11 Therefore: Be it resolved by this student congress here

12 assembled that, public officials not be

13 required to learn any specific language.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Leslie King

Courtland High School

on 3/14/2012 2:49:34 PM

Docket A: International Resolution 473

Be it resolved,

1 Whereas: Free passage through the Strait of Hormuz is vital

2 to United States oil markets; and

3 Whereas: Iran has both the mine and antiship cruise missile

4 capabilities to threaten free passage through the

5 strait; and

6 Whereas: The United States already has the capability to

7 defend the strait.

8 Therefore:Be it resolved by this student congress here

9 assembled that, the United States implements

10 standby mine countermeasure forces in the event

11 it becomes necessary to defend the Strait of

12 Hormuz.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Lauren Leupold

Courtland High School

on 3/14/2012 2:53:03 PM

Docket A: Virginia Resolution 6735

Be it resolved,

1. Whereas: There is a moratorium on the ability
2. to mine for Uranium in Virginia
3. Whereas: With oil being harder to obtain
4. we need Uranium as another form of energy
5. Whereas: There is little pollution associated with
6. Uranium as other forms of energy
7. Whereas: The time between the moratorium being lifted
8. and the start of the mining would allow the
9. Virginia government to put health
10. regulations in place
11. Therefore; Be it resolved by the student congress here
12. assembled that we lift the moratorium in on
13. Uranium mining in Virginia

Respectfully Submitted By:
Representative Emily Hybl
Courtland High School
on 3/14/2012 3:04:35 PM

Docket A: Domestic Resolution 6239

Please select one,

1. Whereas; Internet Piracy Prevention can shutdown
2. popular or useful websites, and
3. Whereas; Internet Piracy Prevention can hinder
4. technological advancements, and
5. Whereas; The invasion of privacy from Internet Piracy
6. Prevention can be found unconstitutional,
7. Therefore; Be it resolved that this student congress
8. here assembled that: Internet Piracy
9. Prevention is not implanted any further
10. than the guidelines previously established.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Representative Haley Archie
Courtland High School
on 3/14/2012 3:12:11 PM

Docket A: Virginia Resolution 2914

Be it resolved,

Line 01: WHEREAS, the existing minimal regulations regarding firearms

Line 02: have failed to prevent the violent, malicious use of the weapon

Line 03: within colleges and universities in the state of Virginia; and

Line 04: WHEREAS, at least two shootings have occurred unexpectedly

Line 05: in Virginia colleges or universities within the last 5 years; and

Line 06: WHEREAS, the fatalities resulting from firearm use on Virginia

Line 07: college campuses has exceeded 35

Line 08: innocent students killed within the last 5 years; now, therefore, be

Line 09: it

Line 10: RESOLVED, By the Student Congress here assembled that:

Line 11: firearm possession will be prohibited on college campuses in the

Line 12: state of Virginia, unless a student or employee passes a

Line 13: psychological evaluation test and is deemed mentally stable to

Line 14: handle a firearm, so as to promote the rights of the 'disarmed

Line 15: victim' that must use self-defense on campus; and, be it

Line 16: FURTHER RESOLVED, that students, if deemed psychologically

Line 17: stable, conceal weapons that are carried on campus for the

Line 18: purpose of public peace and safety.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Senator Nick D'Addio

Courtland High School

on 3/16/2012 3:54:13 PM

Docket A: Domestic Resolution 1826

Be it resolved,

Line 01: Whereas: The primary language of the U.S. is

Line 02: English; and

Line 03: Whereas: English is taught in our schools; and

Line 04: Whereas: Most people speak English.

Line 05: Therefore: Be it resolved by this Student Congress

Line 06: here assembled that: All public officials

Line 07: should be able to speak and read English

Line 08: in order to be able to communicate with

Line 09: their constituents.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Christen Green

King George High School

on 3/20/2012 8:45:04 PM

Docket A: Virginia Resolution 8844

Be it resolved,

Line 01: A Resolution to Retain the Sanctity of Individual Determination of Personhood.

Line 02: WHEREAS: There is no scientific standard for the beginning of life.

Line 03: WHEREAS: The definition of the beginning of life should not be

Line 04: regulated by the government.

Line 05: WHEREAS: Each individual should rely on individual values to

Line 06: determine when life begins.

Line 07: THEREFORE: Be It Resolved by This Student Congress Here

Line 08: Assembled That the state of Virginia should not establish a

Line 09: legal definition of Personhood.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Chelsie Townsend

Prince Edward

on 3/22/2012 9:45:08 AM

Docket A: Virginia Bill 6271

Be it enacted,

Article I: Uranium mining in Virginia will be allowed to proceed if harmful byproducts are dealt with in a safe manner.

Article II: It shall be legal to mine uranium if it can be determined that little or no damage will be incurred by the environment of Virginia.

Article III: The Virginia Departments of Energy and Environmental Quality shall regulate adherence to the terms of this bill.

Article IV: This bill shall be enacted in Fiscal Year 2013.

Article V: All other laws in conflict with this bill are null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Senator Izaak Janowski

Prince Edward

on 3/22/2012 10:08:57 AM

Docket A: Virginia Resolution 3562

Be it resolved,

Line 01: WHEREAS: Scores of students are attacked or killed each year on college campuses.

Line 02: WHEREAS: Several hundred college campuses allow regulated gun possession.

Line 03: WHEREAS: Requiring licenses for guns on campus could help to

Line 04: regulate the possession of illegal weapons.

Line 05: WHEREAS: Individuals who possess a permit would not risk arrest

Line 06: for being on campus with a weapon.

Line 07: WHEREAS: Statistics and have not shown an increase in campus

Line 08: crimes when students are allowed to carry guns.

Line 09: THEREFORE: Be It Resolved by This Student Congress That

Line 10: licensed gun owners should be permitted to carry guns on Virginia campuses.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Roneisha Stewart

Prince Edward

on 3/22/2012 10:27:12 AM

Docket A: Domestic Resolution 1177

Be it resolved,

Line 01: WHEREAS: Members of the entertainment industry make billions of

Line 02: dollars from all forms of entertainment.

Line 03: WHEREAS: American consumers are necessary to make the

Line 04: entertainment industry so wealthy.

Line 05: WHEREAS: Internet piracy falls under the Constitutional area of

Line 06: freedom of expression.

Line 07: WHEREAS: Well-known authors and other entertainment figures

Line 08: have publicly proclaimed that internet piracy has actually

Line 09: increased their financial gains.

Line 10: THEREFORE: be it resolved that internet piracy shall not be outlawed.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Senator Joel Weyel

Prince Edward

on 3/22/2012 10:39:34 AM

Docket A: Domestic Resolution 8628

Be it resolved,

Line 01: WHEREAS: English is the predominant language of the United States.

Line 02: WHEREAS: United States laws are written in English.

Line 03: WHEREAS: Public officials of the U.S. represent the people, who

Line 04: are predominantly speakers of English.

Line 05: THEREFORE: Be It Resolved That This Student Congress pass a

Line 06: resolution that all citizens of the U.S. who run for or hold a public

Line 07: office should speak and write English proficiently.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Senator Lauren Morgan

Prince Edward

on 3/22/2012 11:35:24 AM

Docket A: International Resolution 3123

Be it resolved,

Line 01: Whereas: Iran has made several unofficial threats throughout the

Line 02: year 2011 to block all trade, including oil, through the Strait of

Line 03 Hormuz, and

Line 04: Whereas: closure of the Strait would have devastating effects on

Line 05: world trade because two-thirds of the world's oil reserves are located

Line 06: in the Middle East, and

Line 07: Whereas: Iran has ownership rights of the Strait of Hormuz,

Line 08: Therefore, be it resolved by the Student Congress here assembled

Line 09: that the United States reduce its defenses in and around the Strait of Hormuz.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Kelly Stronach

Smithfield High School

on 3/22/2012 1:33:10 PM

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Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Kelly Stronach

Smithfield High School

on 3/22/2012 1:33:30 PM

Docket A: Virginia Resolution 4534

Be it resolved,

Line 01: WHEREAS: uranium mining in other states such as Colorado, has

Line 02: led to dangerous leaks and contamination of the soil, water, and air, and

Line 03: WHEREAS: the effects of uranium mining in Virginia have not been

Line 04: tested and could danger us by infiltrating the water system and

Line 05: damaging our livelihood and economy, and

Line 06: WHEREAS: even with all of these dangers in uranium mining,

Line 07: Virginia's economy will not benefit from mining,

Line 08: Therefore, BE IT RESOLVED by the Student Congress here

Line 09: assembled that the ban on uranium mining in Virginia will continue.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Zach Rosen

Smithfield High School

on 3/22/2012 1:38:58 PM

Docket A: Domestic Bill 3458

Be it enacted,

Line 01: Article 1: The United States government will instate a mandatory

Line 02: high school level English proficiency test that must be passed for all

Line 03: citizens becoming public office holders.

Line 04: Article 2: Proficiency shall be defined as a high degree of ability or skill.

Line 05: Article 3: All public office holders who are elected without this test

Line 06: after the bill is enacted shall lose their position immediately.

Line 07: Article 4: This test will be funded, applied and overseen by United

Line 08: States Department of Education.

Line 09: Article 5: This bill will be enacted on January 1, 2013.

Line 10: Article 6: All laws in conflict with this bill are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Mason Miles

Smithfield High School

on 3/22/2012 1:49:01 PM

Docket A: Economic Resolution 7634

Be it resolved,

Line 01: A Resolution to Reduce Student Loan Relief

Line 02: Whereas: 70% of all Americans are in debt upon college, and

Line 03: Whereas: The cost of a college education continues to rise, and

Line 04: Whereas: College students are not receiving a proficient education,

Line 05: Therefore: be it resolved by the Congress here assembled, that

Line 06: Student Loan Relief will be greatly reduced for all current and former college students in the United States.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Sabrina MacAllister

Smithfield High School

on 3/22/2012 2:01:06 PM

Docket A: International Resolution 6534

Be it resolved,

Line 01: A Resolution to stop U.S. aid to Syria

Line 02: Whereas recent violence in Syria has created conditions unstable

Line 03: and unsafe for the United States and,

Line 04: Whereas an estimated 164 civilians and military personnel are killed

Line 05: on average each day in Syria and,

Line 06: Whereas the risks of losing American troops in the act of aiding

Line 07: Syria is too great of a risk for the United States to take and,

Line 08: Whereas the U.S. Department of Defense has estimated that if the

Line 09: U.S. were to aid Syria, it would cost over \$1.6 million dollars a month,

Line 10: Therefore be it resolved by the Student Congress here assembled

Line 11: that the U.S. will no longer provide any type of foreign aid to Syria.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Xavier Sivals

Smithfield High School

on 3/22/2012 2:08:16 PM

Docket A: International Resolution 7711

Be it resolved,

Line 01: WHEREAS: Syria is an extremely unstable nation.

Line 02: WHEREAS: A Syrian civil war would threaten U.S.

Line 03: interests in the area.

Line 04: WHEREAS: Syrian leader Assad is killing thousands of

Line 05: his own citizens.

Line 06: WHEREAS: The U.S. has provided military assistance

Line 07: to other Middle East nations.

Line 08: THEREFORE: Be It Resolved by This Student Congress

Line 09: Assembled that the United States should provide

Line 10: military intervention in Syria.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Charneice Allen

Prince Edward

on 3/23/2012 8:46:17 AM

Docket A: Virginia Resolution 2012

Be it resolved,

Line 01: College Gun Restriction

Line 02: Resolution #2012

Line 03: Be it resolved by the student congress here assembled that;

Line 04: Whereas, some colleges still allow students with a license to

Line 05: carry a concealed weapon on your person to have said weapon

Line 06: on campus; and

Line 07: Whereas, the safety of other students is being compromised; and

Line 08: Whereas, there has been several school shootings by students

Line 09: with the license to own a weapon in the past fifty years.

Line 10: Be it resolved, any person attending a college in The United

Line 11: States of America will not be permitted to carry a weapon on

Line 12: campus.

Respectfully submitted,

Juliana M. Irace

Respectfully Submitted By:

Senator Juliana Irace

King George High School

on 3/23/2012 7:26:25 PM

Docket A: Economic Resolution 3012

Be it resolved,

Line 01: Be it resolved by the United States Congress that:

Line 02: Whereas, the United States unemployment rate for veterans has

Line 03: risen greatly in the past decade

Line 04: Whereas, job location is currently difficult

Line 05: Whereas, these veterans are unable to support for their families

Line 06: at home

Line 07: Whereas, job location is a lengthy process

Line 08: Be it resolved that:

Line 09: Any United States veteran looking for a job should be offered

Line 10: unemployment compensation based on experience level and

Line 11: length of time on active duty.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Senator Amelia Howell

King George High School

on 3/23/2012 8:07:07 PM

Docket A: Virginia Resolution 1182

Be it resolved,

line 01.A RESOLUTION to loiwere the overall cost of uranium and use

Line 02. deposits within Virginia.

Line 03. WHEREAS, Uranium is one of the worlds most important energy minerals.

Line 04. WHEREAS, Uranium is highly affective energy source and accessible .

Line 05. WHEREAS, All of Virginias uranium comes from different countries.

Line 06. WHEREAS, There is seven billion dollars worth of uranium in Virginia.

Line 07. RESOLVED, That the student congress here assembled start mining the natural uranium

Line 08. located in Virginia

Respectfully Submitted By:

Senator David Hennessey

King George High School

on 3/23/2012 8:11:11 PM

Docket A: Virginia Resolution 3092

Be it resolved,

Line 01: Whereas, Uranium mining in Virginia is harmful to the

Line 02: environment including the Roanoke River watershed.

Line 03:

Line 04: Whereas, Virginia can receive uranium from other places where

Line 05: mining for uranium isn't as harmful.

Line 06:

Line 07: Whereas the federal government has virtually no experience

Line 08: regulating uranium mining in a wet climate.

Line 09:

Line 10: Be it resolved that the Uranium Mining ban of 1982 holds until the

Line 11: year 2021.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Senator Kayleigh Stevenson

King George

on 3/23/2012 8:28:17 PM

Docket B: Domestic Resolution 5338

Be it resolved,

Line 01: WHEREAS: Planned Parenthood is not an organization of the

Line 02: United States government.

Line 03: WHEREAS: The U.S. government currently funds over 300 million

Line 04: dollars for Planned Parenthood.

Line 05: WHEREAS: The U.S. government has trillions of dollars of debt.

Line 06: WHEREAS: Other non-government programs could demand equal

Line 07: funding.

Line 08: THEREFORE: Be It Resolved That This Student Congress pass a

Line 09: resolution that the United States government shall cease funding for

Line 10: Planned Parenthood.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Senator Izaak Janowski

Prince Edward

on 3/22/2012 10:52:27 AM

Docket B: International Resolution 1177

Be it resolved,

Line 01: WHEREAS: Syria is becoming increasingly unstable.

Line 02: WHEREAS: A Syrian civil war would harm U.S.

Line 03: interests in the region.

Line 04: WHEREAS: Syrian leader Assad is killing thousands of

Line 05: Syrian citizens.

Line 06: WHEREAS: The United States has assisted in other

Line 07: Middle East nations.

Line 08: THEREFORE: Be It Resolved by This Student Congress

Line 09: Assembled that the U.S. should provide military

Line 10: intervention in Syria.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Senator Joel Weyel

Prince Edward

on 3/23/2012 9:27:17 AM

Docket B: International Bill 1331

Be it enacted,

SECTION 1. The Strait of Hormuz will now be defended from foreign countries and the United States will keep oil passing through the strait

SECTION 2. The United States will defend the strait from countries trying to take over blockade or do harm to the strait

SECTION 3. The DOD and Navy will oversee the enforcement of this legislation.

SECTION 4. This law will be implemented on June 20, 2012

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

Respectfully Submitted By:

Senator Victoria Mason

King George High School

on 3/23/2012 5:56:10 PM

Super Session: Domestic Resolution 2672

Be it resolved,

1 Whereas: There is a desparate need for affordable and

2 discrete OBGYN services; and

3 Whereas: Planned Parenthood respects an individual's right

4 to privacy; and

5 Whereas: Planned Parenthood offers free gynecological

6 information and services.

7 Therefore: Be it resolved by this student congress here

8 assembled that, the United States continue to fund

9 Planned Parenthood.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Courtland High School

Courtland High School

on 3/14/2012 3:22:56 PM

Super Session: Domestic Resolution 4892

Be it resolved,

A resolution to continue funding Planned Parenthood

1. Whereas: Planned Parenthood offers women more services
2. than just abortions and birth control and;
3. Whereas: Some low and middle income women can't afford the
4. services offered by hospitals and;
5. Whereas: Planned Parenthood educates others on uneasy
6. topics like sexuality;
7. Therefore: Be it resolved by the student congress that federal
8. funding to Planned Parenthood be continued for their
9. healthcare services, economic opportunities, and
10. educational initiative.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Senator Collin Mason

Spotsylvania High School

on 3/21/2012 3:19:27 PM

Super Session: Virginia Resolution 1675

Be it resolved,

Line 01: Whereas: Our country was founded on freedom and the

Line 02: ability to choose; and

Line 03: Whereas: Everyone deserves the right to choose what

Line 04: happens in his or her life; and

Line 05: Whereas: There are certain times when a choice is

Line 06: necessary for a woman to make for the

Line 07: safety of her life.

Line 08: Therefore: Be it resolved by this Student Congress

Line 09: here assembled that: Personhood rights

Line 10: should not be extended to allow life to be

Line 11: defined as beginning at conception.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Christen Green

King George High School

on 3/22/2012 8:44:06 PM

Super Session: Domestic Resolution 3091

Be it resolved,

Line 01: Whereas, Planned Parenthood's resources are dedicated

Line 02: primarily to preventing unplanned pregnancies rather than

Line 03: abortions.

Line 04:

Line 05: Whereas, Planned Parenthood gives women many options.

Line 06:

Line 07: Whereas, it's the taxpayers' money being put towards helping

Line 08: other taxpayers.

Line 09:

Line 10: Be it resolved that the federal government should put \$350

Line 11: million of taxpayers' money into funding Planned Parenthood

Line 12: annually.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Senator Kayleigh Stevenson

King George

on 3/23/2012 8:51:31 PM

Super Session: International Bill 6457

Be it enacted,

Line 01 A bill to implement TETs in Afghanistan

Line 02 Article 1: The United States will require the annual deployments of

Line 03 a dozen Tribal Engagement Teams(TETs) to various tribes throughout Afghanistan.

Line 04 Article 2: TETs are defined as small, highly trained and motivated

Line 05 teams that will live full-time in the Afghan villages with the tribes in

Line 06 order to lead, assist, train, supply, and help organize Tribal

Line 07 Security Forces (TSFs.)

Line 08 Article 3: The United States Army special forces will oversee the

Line 09 actions of each TET.

Line 10 Article 4: This bill will be enacted on September 6, 2012.

Line 11 Article 5: All bills contradicting this piece of legislation is hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Representative Kelly Stronach, Sabrina MacAllister, Zack Rosen, Mason Miles, Xavier Sivals

Smithfield High School

on 3/23/2012 9:49:29 PM