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Docket A: International Resolution 1010
US ambassadors for Bolivia

Be it resolved,

Docket: Docket A
Legislation: Resolution
Area: Virginia
Number: 1010
Leg_Title: US ambassadors for Bolivia
Line00: Be it resolved
Line01:
Line02: that whereas
Line03: There only been one US ambassador in Bolivia and he was expelled in 2008 by
Line04: the Morales socialist party
Line 05:
Line06: WHEREAS that ambassador was accused of helping organizing protests against the
Line07: rule of the Morales socialist party
Line08:
Line09: WHEREAS the Morales party blames the US for orchestrating coup d'état which led
Line10: to his exile
Line11:
Line12: THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by this student congress
Line13: that as long as the US is in alliance with Bolivia they will send 4 US ambassadors to
Line14: Bolivia to help with the regulation of checks and balances and promotion of democracy
Lines15: and reduce corruption. And at the end of a 60 year period Bolivia will hold a referendum
Line16: to decide if the Bolivian government will remove all 4 US ambassadors.

SubmitTitle: Representative
Submitted_By:
School: ***
Date: 2/25/2020

Respectfully Submitted By:
Representative Camila Albornoz Fuentes
Brooke Point
on 2/25/2020 6:14:11 PM
Docket A: International Bill 2156

US Increase Spending on Military Training Agreements

Be it enacted,

Be it enacted:

Line 01: 
Line 02: Article I: The United States Federal Government shall enact this bill in which the
Line 03: United States will raise spending on Foreign military training agreements by 5%
Line 04: 
Line 05: Article II: The United States shall increase spending on Foreign military training
Line 06: agreements by 5% to continue American involvement in promoting stability in
Line 07: other countries and to help prepare foreign armies to fight against terrorism and
Line 08: violent uprisings. An increase on military spending would make the United States
Line 09: a key component in maintaining order in war torn countries, which is beneficial
Line 10: for the world economy and reduces emigration.
Line 11: 
Line 12: Article III: This bill shall be administered by the United States Department of
Line 13: Defense
Line 14: 
Line 15: Article IV: This bill shall be implemented on March 7, 2020 in United States
Line 16: 
Line 17: Article V: All laws and policies in conflict with new law are hereby deemed null
Line 18: and void.

Respectfully Submitted by:
Senator Alexander Branscom
Patrick Henry High School

Respectfully Submitted By:
Senator Alexander Branscom
Patrick Henry Roanoke
on 2/26/2020 10:05:49 AM
Docket A: Domestic Resolution 1464

Bat Population

Be it resolved,

VHSL Student Congress:
Docket: Docket A
Legislation: Resolution
Area: Virginia
Number: 424
Leg_Title: Bat Population
Line00: Be it resolved,
Line01:
Line02: that whereas bats shall be protected and conserved within Virginia;
Line03:
Line05: WHEREAS bats are dying due to interference with wind turbines at low wind speeds;
Line08:
Line09: WHEREAS the blades of wind turbines are especially dangerous to bats due to the spinning
Line10: of the blades
Line11:
Line12: WHEREAS the organs of bats are unable to cope with the massive decrease of air pressure
Line13: that occurs near the blades of turbines to the point that it causes bleeding within the lungs;
Line14:
Line15: WHEREAS wind turbines are the leading cause of deaths among bats worldwide during low
Line16: wind seasons, where bats are most active;
Line17:
Line18: WHEREAS \( \frac{3}{4} \) of the turbine fatalities among bats in the United States are exclusively found
Line19: within tree bats, one of two categories of bats found within Virginia
Line20:
Line21: WHEREAS wind turbines interfere with seasonal migration and mating patterns within
Line22: several types of bats;
Line23:
Line24: THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by this student congress that there will be a plead to
Line25: limit the amount of active wind turbines during low-wind seasons; in an effort to decrease
Line26: the number of fatalities among the bat population; for which bats are an important and integral
Line27: part of Virginia due to their nature of pollinating plants and eating insects, so that the
Line28: favorable outcome of the fate of these deciduous bats shall be ensured through a
Line29: joint agreement that would allow for these animals the ability to prosper.

SubmitTitle: Representative
Submitted_By: Eric McGowan
School: Brooke Point High School
Date: 24 Feb 2020
Time: 

Respectfully Submitted By:
Representative Eric McGowan
Brooke Point High School
on 2/26/2020 6:52:52 PM
Docket A: Virginia Resolution 1228

Year Round Model

Be it resolved,

Docket: Docket A
Legislation: Resolution
Area: Virginia
Number: 1228
Leg_Title: Year Round Model
Line00: Be it resolved
Line01:
Line02: that whereas summer vacation was first established so that
Line03: children could contribute to their family's farms;
Line04:
Line05: WHEREAS valued classroom time is being used for extensive
Line06: review due to the fact that students don't retain the information
Line07: after long periods of time such as a summer vacation;
Line08:
Line09: WHEREAS when the the students are given half days the teachers
Line10: are forced to comprise their lessons and give them information in
Line11: a very rushed manner;
Line12:
Line13: THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by this student congress that
Line14: summer vacation shall be shortened to a two week break;
Line15: keep spring and winter break; add an
Line16: autumn break that shall consist of one week along with the
Line17: changes to the break schedule; eliminate all half days,
Line18: and establish a year round model.
SubmitTitle: Representative
Submitted_By: Samuel Lerner
School: Brooke Point High School
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Respectfully Submitted By:
Representative Samuel Lerner
Brooke Point High School
on 2/27/2020 1:40:04 PM
Docket A: Economic Resolution 1125

The effect of monopolies on small businesses

Be it resolved,

VHSL Student Congress: Corporate Resolution
Docket:Docket A
Legislation:Resolution
Area:Virginia
Number:1125
Leg_Title:The effect of monopolies of small businesses
Line00:Be it resolved
Line01:
Line02: WHEREAS when a union of two or
Line03: more corporations in one corporate
Line04: body whereby their properties or
Line05: powers forming a monopoly can hurt
Line06: small businesses economically.
Line07:
Line08: WHEREAS Corporate Consolidation
Line09: affects producers and service workers
Line10: such as workers who produce products
Line11: for mass consumption, such as farmers
Line12: livestock production workers.
Line13:
Line14: WHEREAS corporate small businesses
Line15: are put at risk due to the companies
Line16: monopolizing the industry and makes it
Line17: harder to make a profit and set up
Line18: a local stable business.
Line19:
Line20: THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by
Line21: this students Congress companies shall
Line22: be limited to merging in local areas
Line23: under smaller economies to allow small
Line24: businesses to prosper.A policy will be
Line25: established that allows small businesses
Line26: to gain accommodations to help with
Line27: their economic growth therefore
Line28: weakening monopolies and making a
Line29: more even playing field for more
Line30: all businesses in the economy.
SubmitTitle: Representative
Submitted_By: ***
School: ***Date:Time:
Respectfully Submitted By:
Representative Emmanuel Yibass
Brooke Point High School
on 2/27/2020 6:26:25 PM
Docket A: International Resolution 6936

US-Philippine Training Agreement

Be it resolved,

Docket: A
Legislation: Resolution
Area: Virginia
Number: 6936
Leg_Title: US-Philippine Training Agreement
Line00: Be it resolved
Line01:  
Line02: that whereas
Line03: The Philipinian government wants to
Line04: terminate the US security pact
Line05: in order to gain more sovereignty and
Line06: expand its overall military
Line07:  
Line08: WHEREAS the current Philippine
Line09: president has stated that he no longer
Line10: supports the current treaty.
Line11: Due to the US still holding political
Line12: influence over the Philippines after they
Line13: have been granted their
Line14: independence.
Line15:  
Line16: WHEREAS the Philippines looks down
Line17: on the US security policies
Line18: Although the Philippines favors
Line19: Russian and Chinese policies,
Line20: therefore they are less likely to continue
Line21: an alliance with the US
Line22:  
Line23: THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by
Line24: this student congress I presuppose to
Line25: abolish the old treaty and renegotiate a
Line26: new treaty between the two nations.
Line27: A five to seven month grace period to
Line28: Negotiate a new treaty, and using the
Line29: current treaty as a guideline.
Line30: The new treaty can add a more
Line31: modern approach to these two
Line32: countries and fix the outdated
Line33: issues and create more favorable
Line34: diplomatic approach can be taken in
Line35: order to benefit US foreign policy, and
Line36: halting china’s expansion into the
Line37: pacific, preventing chinese influence in
Line38: the Philippines and creating a
Line39: communist state between US and its
Line39: allies
Line40:
SubmitTitle: Representative
Submitted_By:

Respectfully Submitted By:
Representative Owen Rush
Brooke Point High School
on 2/27/2020 9:54:12 PM
Docket A: Domestic Resolution 839

Food and Drug Administration Approvals

Be it resolved,

01 Whereas: The public will be safer knowing a trusted organization
02 is ensuring the safety of their products, and
03
04 Whereas: The FDA needs time to thoroughly look for dangerous
05 and long-term side effects, and
06
07 Whereas: It is far worse to have dangerous drugs on the market
08 that indiscriminately kill innocent people, than to have
09 limited drug availability.
10
11 Therefore: Be it resolved by this Student Congress here assembled:
12 that the approval time deemed necessary for new drugs
13 remain in the hands of the FDA to decide without outside
14 pressure for elected officials.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Representative Selah Porter
North Stafford High School
on 2/28/2020 4:59:52 AM
Docket A: International Resolution 840

Training Foreign Militaries Protects the US

Be it resolved,

01 Whereas: Training the military members of foreign nations will
02 allow the United States to positively influence other
03 nations as to our policies and objectives, and
04
05 Whereas: The relationships established during these mutual
06 training ventures can create sustained allies, and
07
08 Whereas: Having strong armies amongst our allies can keep
09 the battlelines away from our shores.
10
11 Therefore Be it resolved by this Student Congress here assembled
12 that, US and Foreign Military Training Agreements be
13 not only maintained, but encouraged.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Representative Abby Stevens
North Stafford High School
on 2/28/2020 5:22:19 AM
Docket A: Virginia Resolution 841
School Calendars Should Return to Post Labor Day Openings

Be it resolved,

01 Whereas: Opening public schools in mid-August causes fall sports programs to begin during July which is the hottest part of the year, and
03
04 Whereas: Opening public schools in mid-August or earlier causes teachers to return to school even earlier and does not allow them proper preparation for the coming year, and
06
08 Whereas: Opening public schools in mid-August or earlier prevents students from holding summer jobs through Labor Day, the traditional end of summer.
11
12 Therefore Be it resolved by this Student Congress here assembled that Virginia public schools return to a post Labor Day opening of school.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Representative Isabella Micallef
North Stafford High School
on 2/28/2020 5:39:56 AM
Docket A: International Resolution 842

Aid For Bolivia

Be it resolved,

01 Whereas: The United States should send observers to Bolivia to
02 ensure that there is no violence against
03 pro-Morales protesters, and
04
05 Whereas: We should continue to provide aid to the interim
06 government that has formed since Morales' resignation, and
07
08 09 Whereas: We should send diplomats to the country to maintain
10 as strong trade ties as possible.
11
12 Therefore Be it resolved by this Student Congress here assembled
13 that the United States should not only do the suggested
14 actions provided above, but do so as quickly as possible.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Representative Trevor Niles
North Stafford High School
on 2/28/2020 5:53:36 AM
Docket A: Economic Resolution 843
Corporate Consolidation Should Be Discouraged

Be it resolved,

01 Whereas: Corporate mergers eliminate healthy competition, and
02
03 Whereas: Competition is key to a strong capitalist economy which
04 is the desirable economic structure that the United States
05 seeks to maintain, and
06
07 Whereas: Small businesses employ massive numbers of Americans
08 and support the American ideal of individual enterprise and
09 entrepreneurship.
10
11 Therefore Be it resolved by this Student Congress here assembled
12 that corporate consolidation should be definitely
13 discouraged by our federal government.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Representative Ethan Villa
North Stafford High School
on 2/28/2020 6:01:28 AM
Docket A: Domestic Resolution 0

Improved FDA Regulations

Be it resolved,

1. Whereas; the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) relieves nearly seventy five percent of 2. its funding from pharmaceutical companies, and,

3. Whereas; pharmaceutical companies can send in manipulated tests, and,

5. Whereas; the FDA allows for the expedited approval of certain drugs, and,

9. Therefore, be it resolved, by this student congress here assembled, that the FDA receive 10. a new budget and change its regulations and standards to be better equipped to fight 11. loopholes and dangerous drugs.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Representative Jay-Ani Thomas
Brooke Point High School
on 2/28/2020 2:06:38 PM
Docket A: Virginia Resolution 0
Virginia School Calendars resolution Resolution

Be it enacted,

01: Whereas, the amount of information retained decreases with a 2 month summer break, and
02: Whereas, the stress levels of students rise when little breaks are given, and
03: Whereas, the performance of students increases when more frequent breaks are distributed
04: Whereas, the lack of summer break decreases the amount of remediation needed and summer school
05: Therefore, the distribution of year long school should be enacted in all Virginia counties

Respectfully Submitted By:
Representative Elizabeth Steenhoven
Mountain View
on 2/28/2020 2:46:17 PM
Docket A: Domestic Bill 5694
Government Interference with Endangered Species Bill

Be it enacted,

Line 01: No member of the government may enact legislation which harms endangered animals
Line 02: Any member of the national government who violates this law will be fined $250,000
Line 03: Any state or local government member who violates this law will be fined $200,000
Line 04: There is a potential 180 day sentence after leaving office for violation of the law
Line 05: All fines collected will go to bodies engaged in protecting endangered animals

Respectfully Submitted By:
Representative Riley Bowling
Mountain View High School
on 2/28/2020 2:46:40 PM
Docket A: Economic Resolution 4763

Resolution Regarding Corporate Consolidation

Be it resolved,

Line 00: Be it resolved
Line 01:
Line 02: that whereas, corporate consolidation is used as a way for
Line 03: two corporations to consolidate resources for the purpose of
Line 04: Gaining a competitive advantage in the industry, or the
Line 05: survival of the corporations, and,
Line 06:
Line 07: Whereas, some consolidations are considered acquisitions, in
Line 08: which a corporation acquires a majority share of another,
Line 09: whilst the other maintains its corporate identity, and,
Line 10:
Line 11: Whereas, some consolidations are considered true
Line 12: consolidations, in which a two corporations merge together in
Line 13: an equal split, creating a new entity entirely, and,
Line 14:
Line 15: Whereas, the consolidation of corporations in which the sole
Line 16: purpose of is limiting competition and increasing gains has
Line 17: negative impacts including reduced industry competition and
Line 18: diversity, and,
Line 19:
Line 20: Therefore, be it resolved, by this student congress here
Line 21: assembled, that all corporate consolidation must be allowed
Line 22: done if and only if deemed necessary for the survival of the two parties
Line 23: involved, and considered a true consolidation, in which the
Line 24: new entity is rebranded and its assets are divided equally.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Senator Joseph McGil
Mountain View HS
on 2/28/2020 2:50:47 PM
Docket A: International Resolution 2071

Limitation of Foreign Military Spending and Terrorism

Be it resolved,

Line 00: Be it resolved
Line 01:
Line 02: that WHEREAS the country/ally that has been heavily
Line 03: targeted in the last 5 years by a focused group in relation
Line 04: to domestic terrorism against the locality, state, and
Line 05: nation;
Line 06:
Line 07: WHEREAS assistance given to the country/ally has made no
Line 08: significant impact against the terrorist force that’s against
Line 09: against the locality, state, and nation;
Line 10:
Line 11: WHEREAS the suspected country/ally is conspiring with groups
Line 12: focused on domestic terrorism against the locality, state,
Line 13: and nation;
Line 14:
Line 15: WHEREAS the country/ally’s structure of government has been
Line 16: converted by said group against the locality, state, and
Line 17: nation;
Line 18:
Line 19: WHEREAS the people’s government has deemed the acts made by
Line 20: an ally coincides with actions against the locality, state,
Line 21: and nation;
Line 22:
Line 23: THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by this student congress that a
Line 24: seizure or limitation of grants by at least 20% will be
Line 25: enacted against the suspected ally/country while converting
Line 26: the FMF’s grant program into a loan program.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Representative Victoria Torres
Mountain View High School
on 2/28/2020 4:31:27 PM
Docket A: Domestic Resolution 844
Wildlife Conservation

Be it resolved,

01 Whereas: The number of species which are going extinct and
02 facing extinction due to loss of habitat is increasing
03 by the day, and
04
05 Whereas: Man and his actions are mostly responsible for this
06 loss of habitat, and
07
08 Whereas: Sensitivity to the plight of wildlife versus the spread
09 of development and sprawl is morally the best course
10 of action.
11
12 Therefore Be it resolved by this Student Congress here assembled
13 that the US Interior Department take action to prevent
14 loss of habitat over development or mining in every instance.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Representative Jackson Geeslin
North Stafford High School
on 2/28/2020 7:29:47 PM
Super Session: International Bill 1425
Tariff on All Imported Chinese Goods

Be it enacted,

Be it enacted:
Line 01:
Line 02: Article I: The United States Federal Government shall enact this bill in which
Line 03: a 15% tariff shall be placed on all product being exported from China to the
Line 04: United States and its territories.
Line 05:
Line 06: Article II: The United States government shall place a tariff on all Chinese
Line 07: goods
Line 08: being exported to the United States until Hong Kong’s autonomy is recognized.
Line 09: The 15% tariff applies to all Chinese goods being sent to the United States, it
Line 10: will be lifted as soon as the Chinese government grants Hong Kong their
Line 11: independence, if they fail to meet these demands then a 15% tariff will remain
Line 12 in place.
Line 13:
Line 14: Article III: This bill shall be administered by the United States International
Line 15: Trade Commission and the United States Department of State. It will be
Line 16: enforced by the Department of Homeland Security
Line 17:
Line 18: Article IV: This bill shall be implemented on May 1, 2020 in the United
Line 19: States
Line 20:
Line 21: Article V: All laws and policies in conflict with new law are hereby deemed null
Line 22: and void.

Respectfully Submitted by:
Senator __Alexander Branscom_
__Patrick Henry__ High School

Respectfully Submitted By:
Senator Alexander Branscom
Patrick Henry- Roanoke
on 2/26/2020 10:15:15 AM
Super Session: Domestic Resolution 1323

*Animal Cruelty*

Be it resolved,

Docket: Docket B
Legislation: Resolution
Area: Virginia
Number: 1323
Leg_Title: Animal Cruelty
Line00: Be it resolved
Line01:
Line02: that whereas it is morally wrong to hurt animals as they are widely considered
Line03: defenseless to humans;
Line04:
Line05: WHEREAS studies have proven that many criminals start their bad habits with
Line06: performing animal cruelty in their youth;
Line07:
Line08: WHEREAS animals deserve to be treated with dignity and respect as well as
Line09: humans;
Line10:
Line11: WHEREAS animal cruelty paves the way to terrible, illegal sports, like dogfighting;
Line12:
Line13: WHEREAS performing animal cruelty, abuse, and/or neglect on animals alters their
Line14: behaviors, personalities, and attitudes;
Line15:
Line16: THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by this student congress
Line17: that any person that alleged doing and is caught neglecting, abusing, and/or
Line18: performing any other forms of animal cruelty shall be charged as a felon, and serve
Line19: a certainty of time within jail, and/or prison

SubmitTitle: Representative
Submitted_By: Eric McGowan
School: Brooke Point High School
Date: 27 Feb 2019
Time:

Respectfully Submitted By:
Representative Eric McGowan
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on 2/27/2020 1:39:43 PM
Super Session: Virginia Resolution 1124

The Effectiveness of Extracurricular Activities

Be it resolved,

Line 01: Extracurricular provide a variety of opportunities for students and discipline.
Line 02: Students adopt a practical experience while participating in these extracurricular activities that are interesting to them.
Line 03: Many students who are actively involved in activities can prevent them from doing or committing to unwanted activities such as drugs or gangs.
Line 04: Extracurricular activities can help with emotional/health state of students.
Line 05: Many students benefit from extracurricular activities. For instance, those who are part of a sports team, highly committed, and show outstanding actions within the sport could potentially get a scholarship for college. Some students who are in high school decide commit in order for colleges to see them and evaluate their skills within that activity.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Senator Melanie Linares
Mountain View High school
on 2/27/2020 7:00:44 PM
Super Session: International Resolution 845

Support Hong Kong

Be it resolved,

01 Whereas: The United States is the foremost democratic government in the world today, and
02
03
04 Whereas: Hong Kong is desperately trying to maintain its democratic traditions as a former British colony and
05 fend off the spread of repressive communism from the central powers in Beijing, and
06
07
08
09 Whereas: The Communist Chinese government is weakened by the democratic forces in Hong Kong and China is a major adversary of ours politically.
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11
12 Therefore Be it resolved by this Student Congress here assembled that the United States government and especially the current chief executive speak forcefully, frequently, and clearly in support of the pro-democracy protesters in Hong Kong.
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17

Respectfully Submitted By:
Representative Trevor Niles
North Stafford High School
on 2/28/2020 6:08:30 AM
Super Session: International Resolution 2753
Resolution on International Transportation in Hong Kong

Be it resolved,

Line 00: Be it resolved
Line 01:
Line 02: that whereas, currently in Hong Kong there is a mandatory 14
Line 03: day quarantine in place for anyone who has visited mainland
Line 04: china in the last 14 days(due to COVID-19),
Line 05:
Line 06: Whereas, COVID-19 has a projected 2% fatality rate, and,
Line 07:
Line 08: Whereas, the World Health Organization has declared COVID-19
Line 09: a global health emergency, and,
Line 10:
Line 11: Whereas, mainland China is the epicenter of the outbreak,
Line 12: and,
Line 13:
Line 14: Therefore, be it resolved, by this student congress here
Line 15: assembled, that all travel from mainland China into the Hong
Line 16: Kong region shall be suspended immediately and indefinitely.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Senator Joseph McGill, Victoria Torres, Elizabeth Steenhoben, Ryley Bowling
Mountain View HS
on 2/28/2020 4:28:15 PM