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A Bill to Establish a Federal Holiday Review Committee

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** Congress shall establish a committee tasked with examining the concept of a federal
3 holiday; determining which criteria these holidays ought to meet and which values they
4 ought to uphold; reviewing our current 11 federal holidays to ensure that each reflects
5 these criteria and values in a meaningful, unique, and substantial way; and considering
6 adding to, removing from, or adjusting this list accordingly.

7 **SECTION 2.** The committee shall include representatives from each state and inhabited territory, as
8 well as from the District of Columbia. Indigenous tribes shall also be represented.

9 **SECTION 3.** The committee shall have two years from the date of passage to publish its findings and
10 put forth any new legislation based thereupon.

11 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be administered in conjunction with the Office of Personnel
12 Management.

13 **SECTION 5.** This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.

14 **SECTION 6.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

A Bill to Suspend Sale of Food Impacted by the East Palestine Train Disaster

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** The sale for human consumption of produce, dairy, or meat originating from any farm that
3 is irrigated by water from the Ohio River or the Mississippi River at any point downstream
4 of East Palestine, Ohio, shall be immediately suspended. Sale may resume as soon as the
5 Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has thoroughly tested the water quality at least
6 once every twenty miles along the Ohio River from East Palestine through to the
7 confluence with the Mississippi and from there down the Mississippi to the Gulf of Mexico
8 to ensure it remains safe for agricultural purposes at each of these points.

9 **SECTION 2.** The EPA is encouraged to complete this testing as quickly as may be accomplished while
10 ensuring the integrity of the tests. Congress shall make \$5 million immediately available to
11 the EPA to fund this endeavor.

12 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall be overseen by the EPA and the Food and Drug Administration.

13 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.

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

A Bill to Restore Water Rights to This Nation's Indigenous Peoples

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** Rights to usage of all water within the United States shall be turned over to this nation's
3 Indigenous Peoples.

4 **SECTION 2.** Congress shall establish a committee to work with the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) to
5 apportion rights logically and fairly among the nation's 574 federally recognized tribes. This
6 committee shall be tasked with considering what compensation, if any, might be offered to
7 those individuals and corporations that will lose water rights under this legislation, as well
8 as how to handle and manage jointly held water rights.

9 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall be overseen by the BIA.

10 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect within three months of passage, with the committee to be
11 established by that time. The committee's determinations shall be made known and
12 implemented and water rights restored to Indigenous Tribes no later than three years from
13 the date of passage.

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

A Resolution to Condemn Recent Excessive Militarization of U.S. Airspace

1 **WHEREAS** The recent balloons that have been shot down for passing through or near U.S. airspace

2 have been unarmed and have posed no real threat to U.S. safety and security; and

3 **WHEREAS** The destruction of these balloons has itself presented something of a real threat to

4 U.S. safety and security as a result of falling debris; and

5 **WHEREAS** These excessive retaliations are unnecessarily unnerving U.S. citizens and, most

6 dangerously of all, heightening tensions with the People’s Republic of China;

7 now, therefore be it

8 **RESOLVED** by the Congress here assembled that this body roundly condemns these recent

9 actions of the Department of Defense, namely the destruction of multiple balloons

10 starting on February 4, 2023; and

11 **FURTHER RESOLVED** that Congress insists that the Department of Defense pursue purely

12 diplomatic avenues for dealing with these issues in the future.

A Resolution to Pursue Charges against Wilderness Therapy Programs in Nevada

- 1 **WHEREAS,** The Bureau of Land Management defines Wilderness Therapy Programs as those
2 programs intended to provide a less restrictive alternative to incarceration or
3 hospitalization for youth who may require intervention to address emotional or
4 behavioral challenges. These programs are directed toward youth under age 18 with a
5 variety of behavioral and emotional problems including substance abuse, addiction,
6 physical/mental disabilities, learning disorders, criminality, psycho/social and sexual
7 issues. Participants may pose a risk to themselves or others; and
- 8 **WHEREAS,** NRS432A covers the parameters for Services and Facilities for Care of Children with
9 strict prevention of child abuse; and
- 10 **WHEREAS,** Nevada currently hosts dozens of “Wilderness Therapy” programs that garner major
11 profits at the expense of the children they claim to serve; and
- 12 **RESOLVED,** By the Student Congress here assembled, the Nevada State Board of Health conduct
13 investigations into active Wilderness Therapy programs pursuant to NRS 432A.170

A Bill for FSO *Safer* Oil Salvage

1 **SECTION 1.** The United States Federal Government will grant a total of 1 million USD to
2 assist in the transfer of 1 million barrels of crude oil currently stored in the double-
3 hulled carrier, *FSO Safer*, stranded off the coast of Yemen in an effort to avoid an
4 environmental disaster in the Red Sea. Crude oil recovered in this operation will be
5 retained in the Strategic Petroleum Reserves.

6 **SECTION 2** The United States Navy will oversee the extraction, handling, transportation, and
7 storage of hazardous materials, including, but not limited to, crude oil in this process.

8 **SECTION 3** The United States Navy will be provided the additional funds through the Department
9 of Defense.

10 **SECTION 4** The extraction period of this operation must be completed within 60 days of
11 the United States Navy receiving the funds.

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

The National Interstate and Defense Bikeways Act

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

1 **SECTION 1.** Congress shall establish a Bikeway Trust Fund and commit \$25 billion to said
2 fund over the next ten years to support the construction of safe and functional
3 bicycling infrastructure (bikeways) within and between major metropolitan areas 4
throughout the United States. Territories, states, and the Federal District are
5 directed to utilize this funding promptly and efficiently with the goal of
6 establishing a robust nationwide interstate bikeway system within ten years of the
7 passage of this legislation, thereby enhancing our nation’s defense by insulating
8 us against a variety of threats such as climate change and fossil fuel depletion.

9 **SECTION 2.** In order for states to gain access to this fund, they must commit to paying 10% 10
of all expenses related to the construction and maintenance of these bikeways.

11 Territories and the Federal District are exempt from this requirement.

12 **SECTION 3.** Funding for this legislation shall be raised through a 5% excise tax increase on
13 the sale of gasoline and diesel for use in automobiles.

14 **SECTION 4.** This legislation, including determinations regarding where and how to
15 construct bikeways, shall be overseen by the Federal Highway Administration in 16
conjunction with territories, states, and the Federal District. Section 3 will be
17 overseen by the Internal Revenue Service.

18 **SECTION 5.** This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2025.

19 **SECTION 6.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

A Bill to Ban the Sale of Gas Stoves

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** The sale and import of any non-portable stove, range, or oven powered by
3 combustible gas (including but not limited to natural gas) is hereby prohibited.

4 **SECTION 2.** Any retailer or importer found to be in violation of this legislation shall be fined 5
ten times the retail price of any illegally sold or imported units.

6 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall be jointly overseen by the Federal Trade Commission,
7 Customs and Border Protection, and the Environmental Protection Agency.

8 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2026.

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

Bill to Provide for the Rescue of the Great Salt Lake

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2 **SECTION 1.** Congress shall allocate \$10 billion to the Environmental Protection Agency 3

3 (EPA) over the next decade to support restoration of Utah's Great Salt Lake to

4 sustainable levels. The EPA is directed to work with local stakeholders to follow

5 the recommendations of the University of Utah's Great Salt Lake Strike Team:

6 namely, to leverage the lake's wet years; set a lake elevation range goal; invest in

7 conservation, water monitoring and modeling; and develop a holistic water

8 management plan.

9 **SECTION 2.** After ten years, Congress shall conduct an in-depth analysis of the situation and

10 consider extending or increasing this funding if necessary.

11 **SECTION 3.** Funding for this legislation shall be sourced from a 1% annual tax increase on

12 the revenue of the fossil fuel industry.

13 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be overseen by the EPA, with the exception of Section 3,

14 which shall be overseen by the Internal Revenue Service.

15 **SECTION 5.** This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2024.

16 **SECTION 6.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

**A Resolution to Constitutionally Protect Precedent on Supreme Court Decisions in order
to Promote Consistency Among Legal Principles**

1 **WHEREAS,** The Supreme Court typically follows the concept of Stare Decisis in
2 selecting which cases be brought before them; and

3 **WHEREAS,** Changing principles of agreed upon constitutionality set through prior
4 precedent rulings, disrupts legal rights for citizens; and

5 **WHEREAS,** Such actions have created confusion, political polarization, and conflict
6 among American citizens; and

7 **WHEREAS,** The Founding Fathers designed a system of checks and balances to ensure
8 a balance of power between the branches of government; now, therefore, be it

9 **RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled pass a constitutional amendment that
10 requires that when the supreme court overturns a precedent ruling they
11 must receive a 2/3 majority approval vote from the House of Representatives; and, be it

12 **FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the Supreme Court would also need to receive a 2/3 majority
13 approval vote from the Senate.

A Resolution to Normalize Responsible Recreational Cannabis Use

- 1 **WHEREAS** Being transparent about responsible use of recreational drugs provides a valuable and
2 instructive alternative to abusive and unhealthy habits and models mature life choices; and
- 3 **WHEREAS** Cannabis has been shown to be no more dangerous than alcohol or nicotine and is in
4 many respects safer than these more socially acceptable drugs; and
- 5 **WHEREAS** Nearly half of all U.S. citizens now live in states where it is legal to purchase and
6 consume cannabis recreationally, and it is likely just a matter of time before recreational
7 cannabis use is legal nationwide; now, therefore be it
- 8 **RESOLVED** by the Congress here assembled that this body encourages responsible users of cannabis
9 who consume the drug in jurisdictions where doing so is legal, especially when those
10 users are government employees or officeholders such as members of the Congress, to
11 speak openly and tactfully about their use in much the same way as responsible users of
12 alcohol and nicotine do in the status quo.

A Resolution to Mandate A Shopping Cart Deposit System in Nevada

1 **WHEREAS,** Many stores in Nevada choose to provide shopping carts for customer convenience
2 with collection centers in their parking lots; and

3 **WHEREAS,** Stores with shopping carts deal with many issues with their collection including
4 missing carts, runaway carts that cause damage, and high labor cost; and

5 **WHEREAS,** Cart collection systems that require customers to make a deposit have yielded popular
6 results for stores like Aldi and Walmart, with customers receiving their deposit back
7 when they return the cart; and

8 **WHEREAS,** The initial cost of implementing these systems and updating carts would be returned
9 generously through decreased labor costs; therefore be it

10 **RESOLVED,** By the Student Congress here assembled, all stores providing shopping carts must
11 adopt a deposit return system. All laws in conflict of this resolution hereby declared
12 null and void.