
**West Kansas NFL Congressional Debate
Spring 2012 Legislation Packet
Regular Session**



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Salina High School Central

A Bill to Protect Petitioning Protesters

Bill № 1

Be it enacted by this Student Congress here assembled that:

1 **Section 1:** Protesters will be required to file a petition with the local government
2 to form a protest.

3 **Section 2:** Each signatory will receive an ID badge verifying his or her
4 permission to protest.

5 **Section 3:** The police will be required to protect the signatories with the
6 verifying ID badges.

7 **Section 4:** Those taking part in the protest without the verifying badges will be arrested
8 and detained until further detail.

9 **Section 5:** Protesters with the ID badge will be protected by police under law, as long as
10 the protests do not get violent.

Newton High School

A Bill to Repair Interstate Highways with Public Works

Bill № 2

Be it enacted by this Student Congress here assembled that:

1 **Section 1:** A national highway repair initiative shall be created in order to provide
2 temporary employment American workers facing unemployment due to rapid changes
3 in the national economic environment.

4 **Section 2:** The government shall invest \$30 billion in the establishment of a national
5 highway repair initiative that will aim to provide necessary road construction,
6 highway infrastructure, and repair projects such as lane widening across the country
7 on federal highways. This initiative will give hiring preference to American citizens
8 that can demonstrate unemployment or employment hardship due to migrating
9 industrial needs and outsourcing.

10 **Section 3:** The department of transportation shall oversee the provisions of this
11 legislation.

12 **Section 4:** This legislation will take effect on August 1, 2012.

13 **Section 5:** All other laws that are in conflict with this policy shall hereby be declared
14 null and void.

McPherson High School

A Bill to Abolish the Department of Education

Bill № 3

Be it enacted by this Student Congress here assembled that:

- 1 **Section 1:** The u.s. Department of Education will hereby be abolished.
- 2 **Section 2:** All federal funds for public education will be distributed to the state
- 3 governments to be used at their discretion.
- 4 **Section 3:** The provisions of this bill will take effect on July 1st 2012.

Buhler High School

A Bill to Establish a National ID Card

Bill № 4

Be it enacted by this Student Congress here assembled that:

1 **Section 1:** To accelerate the full implementation of an automated bio-metric entry and
2 exit data system for preventing the entry of terrorists.

3 **Section 2:** To expedite the processing of registered travelers who enter and exit the
4 United States through a single registered traveler program.

5 **Section 3:** To require bio-metric passports and other secure identification for all travel
6 into the United States by U.S. citizens and individuals for whom immigration and
7 nationality documentation requirements have previously been waived.

8 **Section 4:** This law will take effect within six months of passage.

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

Salina High School South

A Bill to Abolish Corporate Welfare and Bailouts

Bill № 5

Be it enacted by this Student Congress here assembled that:

- 1 **Section 1:** Adopt federal legislation prohibiting any federal spending program that
2 provides payments or unique benefits and advantages to specific companies or
3 industries.
- 4 **Section 2:** Terminating programs that provide direct grants to businesses.
- 5 **Section 3:** Eliminating programs that provide research and other services for industries
6 and ending programs that provide subsidized loans or insurance to businesses.
- 7 **Section 4:** This law will take effect within six months of passage.
- 8 **Section 5:** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

McPherson High School

A Bill to Abolish Collective Bargaining Rights of Kansas Public Employees

Bill № 6

Be it enacted by this Student Congress here assembled that:

- 1 **Section 1:** The Right to Work status of the state of Kansas will hereby be removed.
- 2 **Section 2:** All collective bargaining rights of public employees in the state of Kansas
- 3 will be removed.
- 4 **Section 3:** All laws or portions of laws that conflict with the provisions of this bill
- 5 shall be null and void.
- 6 **Section 4:** The provisions of this bill shall take effect immediately upon passage.

Newton High School

A Bill to Require Ignition Interlock Devices on All Motor Vehicles

Bill № 7

Be it enacted by this Student Congress here assembled that:

1 **Preamble:** In effort to reduce drunk driving, all motor vehicles in the Unites States will be
2 required to have an ignition interlock device.

3 **Section 1:** Any driver caught driving without an ignition interlock device will be issued a
4 \$500 fine and will be required to show proof to a state official within the next month.
5 Failure to do so will result in suspension of the driver’s license. If a driver is caught
6 drunk driving with an ignition interlock device installed, their current license will be
7 suspended for a minimum of one year and the driver will serve no less than
8 30 days in jail.

9 **Section 2:** The United States Federal Government and appropriate state agencies will
10 track ignition interlocks installation and proper use. This will be checked for
11 maintenance and proper function every other year in conjunction with emissions
12 testing.

13 **Section 3:** It is the responsibility of Automakers to install ignition interlock devices on all
14 new motor vehicles. The Federal Government of The United States will provide
15 ignition interlock devices for all other insured drivers in The United States through
16 local maintenance shops.

17 **Section 4:** All insured drivers and automobile manufacturers distributing in the United
18 States will have one calendar year from the passage of this legislation to properly
19 install ignition interlock devices.

Salina High School South

A Resolution to Audit the Federal Reserve

Resolution № 1

- 1 **Whereas;** the United States Federal Reserve is only audited by a small sample size of the
2 gold which has been deemed by many ineffective, and
3 **Whereas;** we as United States Citizens have the right to know what is inside all of our
4 federal reserves and must exercise that right in order to know the true current
5 economic state of our nation; therefore, be it
6 **Resolved, by the Student Congress here assembled,** that we require an
7 audit of all federal reserves including Fort Knox.

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Salina Central High School

A Resolution to Ban the Unwarranted Use of GPS Trackers

Resolution № 2

- 1 **Whereas;** Americans have the right to privacy, and recently police have planted GPS on
2 individuals without a warrant, and
3 **Whereas;** this violates key principles, and
4 **Whereas;** the Fourth Amendment protects against unwarranted
5 search and seizure; therefore, be it
6 **Resolved, by this Student Congress here assembled,** that the unwarranted use of GPS
7 should hereby be banned.

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Hutchinson High School

A Resolution to Lower Congress's Salaries

Resolution № 3

1 **Whereas;** the Congressional salary, as of 2011, is \$174,000 per year for both
2 Senators and Representatives, and

3 **Whereas;** the salary for the Speaker of the House is \$223,500 and the salary for the
4 Minority and Majority leaders are \$193,400, and

5 **Whereas;** the medium income ranges from \$37,675 to \$75,350 per year, and

6 **Whereas;** the economic debt approximates to \$15 dollars, and.

7 **Whereas;** reducing the congressional salary by 50 percent would save
8 \$144 million annually, and

9 **Whereas;** the purpose of the representatives and the senators is to “serve” in yearly
10 terms — that is to say, it is not a job; therefore, be it

11 **Resolved, by this Student Congress here assembled,** that the congressional salary for
12 representatives and senators should be cut by 50 percent providing them with an
13 average salary of \$82,000 per year.

14 **Be it further resolved,** that the salary of the Speaker of the House and the Minority and
15 Majority leaders should also be reduced by 50 percent allowing for salaries of \$111,750
16 and \$96,700 respectively.

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Garden City High School

A Resolution to End Bush Era Tax Cuts

Resolution № 4

1 **Whereas;** currently the United States tax system is unbalanced in favor of the wealthiest
2 Americans, and
3 **Whereas;** this imbalance is caused by an uneven distribution of tax rates through the
4 Bush tax cuts, and
5 **Whereas;** the richest 20 percent of Americans own at least 85 percent of the nation's
6 wealth (also benefiting most from the latest tax cuts), and
7 **Whereas;** the concept that these tax cuts would create jobs has not been proven to be
8 true at any appreciable level, and
9 **Whereas;** the United States economy is hampered by a federal deficit that cannot be
10 controlled with spending cuts alone; therefore, be it
11 **Resolved, by the Student Congress here assembled,** that the Bush tax cuts should
12 be eliminated.

Buhler High School

A Resolution to Support After-school Activities

Resolution № 5

1 **Whereas;** after-school activities can benefit kids physically from the activities, and

2 **Whereas;** after-school activities can help keep kids safe between the time school ends

3 and the time their parents get home from work, and

4 **Whereas;** students focus on basic reading, writing and arithmetic in school, but they can

5 discover other skills during after-school activities, and

6 **Whereas;** students can enhance their social skills through after-school

7 activities as well, and

8 **Whereas;** during the school day, interaction with classmates is likely limited to recess,

9 lunchtime and classroom group work, and

10 **Whereas;** these skills will benefit them as they mature, go to new schools and eventually

11 enter the real world; therefore, be it

12 **Resolved, by the Student Congress here assembled,** that we should strengthen after

13 school activities through all needed and normal means

Hutchinson High School

A Resolution Concerning Year Round School

Resolution № 6

1 **Whereas;** education efficiency and effectiveness in the United States is falling behind that
2 of other nations; and,

3 **Whereas;** a 210-day school year would have a positive impact intellectually on students
4 of secondary schools, high schools, and public academies; and,

5 **Whereas;** a year round calendar would start in the month of August, with the exact date
6 to be decided individually by school districts, and would include seven six-week-long
7 sessions with four four-week-long breaks in between with an additional three days off
8 for snow or other unpredictable weather conditions and Thanksgiving; and,

9 **Whereas;** students enrolled in year round schools through studies were found less likely
10 to forget what they learned throughout the year during the traditional 60-day summer
11 break according to the National Association For Year Round Education; and,

12 **Whereas;** students would still have time to rest between grading periods and still allow
13 time for district regulated maintenance during the four-week
14 break periods; therefore, be it

15 **Resolved, by this Student Congress here assembled,** that a 210-day year round school
16 calendar should be adopted for the upcoming 2012-2013 school year to fully ensure
17 that students take advantage of the education system and are given additional
18 opportunities that standard school calendars simply do not offer.

Garden City High School

A Resolution to Increase Spending on Transportation Infrastructure

Resolution № 7

1 **Whereas;** the transportation infrastructure in the United States is an aging system, and

2 **Whereas;** states and localities have struggled to maintain funding for transportation
3 projects in the current economic situation, and

4 **Whereas;** the decaying state of the U.S. transportation infrastructure results creates a
5 “pay now, or pay later” scenario, and

6 **Whereas;** damage caused by decaying transportation systems causes damage to private
7 and public vehicles, and results in increased accidents costing as much as
8 \$3.1 trillion; therefore, be it

9 **Resolved, by this Student Congress here assembled that,** the United States federal
10 government should substantially increase its spending on transportation infrastructure
11 through direct federal spending on federal transportation, and through block grants to
12 the individual states.