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The School Uniforms Act

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2. **Section 1** All public K-12 educational institutions in the United
3. States shall require students to wear school uniforms.

4. **Section 2** A "school uniform" is defined as a standardized set of
5. clothing, which must be worn by all students enrolled in public
6. K-12 educational institutions. This uniform primarily consists of
7. a top (shirt or blouse) and a bottom (pants or skirt), adhering
8. to the specific color and design standards set forth by each
9. educational institution.

10. **Section 3** Public K-12 educational institutions may apply for
11. federal grants to assist low-income families in obtaining the
12. required school uniforms.

13. **Section 4** Public K-12 educational institutions are responsible for
14. establishing clear guidelines on the required school uniforms,
15. including acceptable variations to accommodate changes in
16. weather, religious beliefs, and disabilities.

17. **Section 5** SECTION 5. The first violation by an educational
18. institution of the uniform policy will result in a notice and a
19. period of 60 days to comply. Subsequent violations will lead to
20. a decrease in federal educational funding to the institution by
21. 10% for each violation, assessed annually.

22. **Section 6** This legislation shall be enforced by the United States
23. Department of Education, which will also provide guidelines for
24. the implementation of school uniform policies and monitor
25. compliance.

26. **Section 7** This legislation will take effect on August 1, 2024. All
27. laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null
28. and void.

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The Exotic Pets Act

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2. **Section 1** The ownership, trade, and breeding of exotic pets are
3. hereby prohibited across all states and territories of the United
4. States.

5. **Section 2** An "exotic pet" is defined as any non-domesticated animal
6. or species, including but not limited to big cats, primates,
7. venomous snakes, large reptiles, and other wildlife that are not
8. traditionally kept as household pets.

9. **Section 3** Exceptions to this ban include permitted zoos, research
10. institutions, and rehabilitation centers that are accredited and
11. comply with the specific care standards and regulations set by
12. the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and other
13. relevant authorities.

14. **Section 4** Individuals currently owning exotic pets may keep their
15. animals under the condition that they register these pets with
16. local animal control authorities within 6 months of this
17. legislation's enactment. These owners must prove that they can
18. provide appropriate care, housing, and medical attention for the
19. specific needs of these exotic pets. Additionally, individuals
20. currently owning exotic pets are prohibited from breeding their
21. pets, acquiring new ones, or transferring ownership to any party
22. except permitted zoos, research institutions, and rehabilitation
23. centers.

24. **Section 5** The import, export, breeding, and trade of exotic
25. animals for personal ownership are strictly prohibited.
26. Violations of this law will result in penalties, including fines
27. up to \$10,000 per offense and possible imprisonment for habitual
28. violations.

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30. Department of Agriculture (USDA), in coordination with state
31. wildlife authorities and the United States Fish and Wildlife
32. Service (USFWS).
33. **Section 7** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2025.
34. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared
35. null and void.
36. Introduced for Congressional Debate by Athens

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The Single Use Plastic Act

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2. **Section 1** The manufacture, sale, and distribution of single-use
3. plastic products are hereby prohibited within the United States.

4. **Section 2** For the purposes of this legislation, "single-use
5. plastics" are defined as plastic items intended to be used once
6. and then discarded or recycled, including but not limited to
7. plastic bags, straws, coffee stirrers, soda and water bottles,
8. and plastic food packaging.

9. **Section 3** Exemptions to this ban may be granted for medical
10. necessities, public health requirements, and any other purposes
11. deemed essential by the Department of Environmental Protection
12. in partnership with relevant executive departments.

13. **Section 4** The Department of Environmental Protection shall oversee
14. the enforcement of this bill. This includes conducting
15. inspections, handling reports of violations, and imposing
16. penalties.

17. **Section 5** Violations of this legislation will result in fines. The
18. first violation will incur a fine of \$1,000. Subsequent
19. violations will incur an increased fine of \$5,000 for each
20. offense.

21. **Section 6** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2026.

22. **Section 7** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby
23. declared null and void.

24. Introduced for Congressional Debate by Athens

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The Childhood Civic Engagement Act

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2. **Section 1** All federally-funded public schools in the United States
3. are required to include civic engagement in the curriculum for
4. students grades 5 through 12.

5. **Section 2** "Civic Engagement" refers to educational activities that
6. provide students with knowledge of civic duties and
7. responsibilities, encourage their active participation in the
8. democratic process, and promote awareness of their role within
9. the community and the wider society. These activities include,
10. but are not limited to, community service, simulations of
11. democratic processes, participation in school governance, and
12. structured discussions on civic responsibilities.

13. **Section 3** School districts must ensure that their curriculum for
14. students in grades 5 through 12 incorporates at least 20 hours
15. of civic engagement activities per academic year. These
16. activities should be crafted to engage students effectively,
17. taking into account their varying interests and capacities, and
18. must contribute constructively to their understanding of civic
19. duties and community engagement.

20. **Section 4** Schools are encouraged to form partnerships with local
21. government entities, non-profit organizations, and community
22. groups to diversify and enrich the range of civic engagement
23. opportunities available to students.

24. **Section 5** The first violation of the curriculum policy by an
25. educational institution will result in a notice and a period of
26. 60 days to adjust curriculum, in partnership with the Department
27. of Education. Subsequent violations will lead to a decrease in
28. federal educational funding to the institution by 10% for each

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30. **Section 6** This legislation shall be enforced and administered by
31. the United States Department of Education.

32. **Section 7** This bill is to be enacted at the start of the school
33. year following its passage.

34. **Section 8** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby
35. declared null and void.

36. Introduced for Congressional Debate by Athens

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A Bill to Launch a National Anti-Littering Campaign

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2. **Section 1** A national anti-littering campaign shall be established
3. to promote environmental cleanliness and responsibility among
4. young people across the United States.

5. **Section 2** 'Anti-littering campaign' refers to a series of
6. educational and promotional activities designed to raise
7. awareness about the negative impacts of littering and to
8. encourage proper waste disposal habits.

9. **Section 3** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), in
10. collaboration with the Department of Education, will oversee the
11. campaign, which will include: A. Distribution of educational
12. materials in schools. B. Organization of community clean-up
13. events. C. Public service announcements on television, radio,
14. and social media platforms.

15. **Section 4** The campaign will particularly target areas known for
16. high rates of littering, with efforts made to engage local
17. communities and youth organizations in clean-up and awareness
18. activities.

19. **Section 5** This legislation will take effect within six months
20. following its enactment, to allow for adequate planning and
21. resource allocation. All laws in conflict with this legislation
22. are hereby declared null and void.

23. Introduced for Congressional Debate by CMSF