

Congress Legislation

Cleveland High School

2/23/2012

A Resolution to corgially invite Puerto Rico into the union.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1 . The United States Federal Government, upon passage of this resolution, shall formally invite the commonwealth territory of Puerto Rico into the union of the United States of America, as a state with equal status to the others.

SECTION 2 . Passage of this resolution would in no way mandate Puerto Rico's becoming of a state, it is merely an invitation by the Federal Government to the people of Puerto Rico. Currently, after the passage of H.R. 2499 in the congress, a referendum has been set for June for the people of Puerto Rico to self-determine it's status as either an independent nation, or a state of the United States. Polling shows the population equally split on this matter, so this house proposes this bill to attempt to sway the Puerto Rican population into choosing statehood, by issueing a formal invitation.

SECTION 3. Therefore, the congress here assembled will issue this invitation upon passage of this bill.

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

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A Bill to amend current social security tax policies to create a more viable monetary system.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

Section 1. The social security tax cap for employees, currently at \$106,800, shall be abolished, and the payroll tax shall be lowered from 12.4 to 12.12 percent.

Section 2 . Passage of this bill shall make social security tax more progressive while giving significant decreases in federal payroll tax. In the status quo, social security shall run a deficit in 2012. If this bill passes social security shall become solvent until 2087 according to the congressional research service.

Section 3. The Internal Revenue Service shall mandate and enforce this new tax policy.

Section 4. Proposed bill will go into effect immediately after being passed.

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

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A Bill to Incorporate Silver Falls State Park Into the National Park System

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Silver Falls State Park shall be incorporated into the National Park System.

3 **SECTION 2.** Silver Falls State Park is currently the largest within the Oregon State Park
4 System and administered by the Oregon Department of Parks and
5 Recreation (ODPR). By the passing of this bill, said park will be folded into
6 the National Park System via purchase from ODRP with the new name of
7 Silver Falls National Park.

8 **SECTION 3.** As a National Park, the United States Department of the Interior's
9 National Park Service shall be in charge of the administration of the park.

10 A. Until a permanent ranger presence can be established, this Congress
11 urges NPS to pull rangers from local national park units as the Oregon
12 Caves, Crater Lake, Fort Vancouver, or Mount Rainier.

13 B. The Congress shall allocate the budget of the park and compensate
14 the Oregon Department of Parks and Recreation and the Friends of
15 Silver Falls State Park for lost revenue, as determined by independent
16 review, for the next three (3) fiscal years. Thereafter, the
17 compensation shall be reevaluated.

18 **SECTION 4.** Sign changes will be implemented as soon as possible. Until then,
19 temporary signs will be established. The transfer of the property will be
20 made on October 1, 2013.

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

A Bill to Offer Incentives to Public Schools to Ensure Proper Comfort and Education of Students

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Funds for incentives are to allocated for the U.S. Departments of
3 Education and Energy to jointly offer to public schools to upgrade or
4 repair heating and cooling systems to the public schools in America.

5 **SECTION 2.** These incentives are to be diverted from projects in the National Budget
6 deemed unnecessary by the Congressional Budget Office. Public schools
7 will exclude colleges and universities, focusing exclusively on public
8 elementary or primary, middle, and high/ secondary schools or any
9 institute that caters to a combination of grades from kindergarten to the
10 12th grades in the United States. Pre-kindergarten institutes are also
11 included. The aim of this legislation is to ensure that there are adequate
12 systems for heating or cooling the ambient air in times of harsh weather.
13 Old, outdated, or polluting oil, coal, or diesel heaters are to be replaced
14 by cleaner and more efficient systems determined by area.

15 **SECTION 3.** The Congressional Budget Office will decided on allocation of funds. The
16 Dept. of Treasury will dispense them to the Dept. of Education and the
17 Dept. of Energy, who will dispense them. Violations or misuse of funds
18 determined by the Dept. of Education or the Dept. of Energy will be
19 handled by their respective Inspector General's offices, jointly or
20 otherwise.

21 **SECTION 4.** This policy is effective one (1) fiscal year from the passing of this
22 legislation's passing.

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

A Bill to Relocate the Meeting Place of Congress to Better the American People via Accessibility

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

2 **SECTION 1.** The Congress of the United States of America must now meet in the City
3 of St. Louis, Missouri.

4 **SECTION 2.** The Congress of the United States shall also include any of its members,
5 services, and offices.

6 **SECTION 3.** Regulation of the bill shall be by the Executive Branch of the United
7 States Federal Government.

8 A. The Department of Justice shall ensure the proper execution of this
9 Legislation. Any Congressperson found unable to follow suit or
10 refusing to relocated shall be removed from his or her post.

11 B. The provision of new buildings and offices for the Congress shall be
12 provided through the General Services Administration, who shall
13 build or remodel, retrofit, and/or modernize the building wherein
14 Congress shall meet.

15 **SECTION 4.** At the passing of this bill, there shall be a period of 15 years to allow for
16 readying of new buildings. When the buildings are deemed fit by the GSA,
17 the Congress shall meet there in the next session.

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

A Resolution to Establish Speech and Debate at All High Schools to Further the Forensic Arts

- 1 **WHEREAS,** Many schools in the United States do not have Speech and Debate or
2 Forensics teams; and
- 3 **WHEREAS,** The forensic arts are able to hone skills in speaking and comprehending
4 information, essential to lawyers, politicians, and the like; and
- 5 **WHEREAS,** Without forensics teams at every school, many students are unable to
6 compete and gain these skills, no matter if they want to be a person with
7 a potential career that requires forensics; and
- 8 **WHEREAS,** Forensic students pass speech requirements for graduation far better
9 than their non-speech counterparts, therefore, be it
- 10 **RESOLVED,** That the Student Congress here assembled that all high schools should
11 have a speech team or form teams in conjunction with other schools with
12 existing programs; and, be it
- 13 **FURTHER** That public universities should offer programs to train competent
14 coaches
- 15 **RESOLVED,** for the new teams.

A Bill to mandate the creation of a Death Star under the oversight of the Department of Defense by the year 2020 to insure American hegemony.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- Section 1.** Immediately following the passage of this bill, the United States Federal Government will mandate that the Department of Defense begin work on the construction of a Death Star outside of the Earth's mesosphere, to be completed by 2020.
- Section 2.** Death Star, being defined as an American-made replica of the one created by the Galactic Empire in the Star Wars trilogy.
- Section 3.** The President of the United States shall have the power to oversee and enforce the timely completion of the Death Star, which will be constructed by the Department of Defense.
- SECTION 4.** The project will be completed by 2020, else the Department of Defense will have all funding stripped from it and placed into the Department of Education, which will then take over the completion of the project.
- SECTION 5.** Control of the completed and operational Death Star shall be granted to a Death Czar, who shall be appointed by Senator Gonzales, and will be confirmed by a majority vote of the congress at the time of completion.
- Section 6.** All laws conflicting with this, and the Defense of Marriage Act, are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced by the Riders of Brohan, eh?