

# NYSFL

## Elims Docket

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We will publish a list of Semifinal and Final Round Bills and a Chamber Listing later this week.

A Resolution on the use of Torture

- 1: WHEREAS, Torture goes against the human rights of man,
- 2: WHEREAS, Torture, or acts that resemble torture violate
- 3: both domestic and international laws
- 4: WHEREAS, torture is not an effective method of obtaining
- 5: information from terror suspects
- 6: BE IT RESOLVED, that the United States will sanction no
- 7: further torture from this day forward by the military or by
- 8: any other government agency, including but not limited to
- 9: the CIA, FBI, and NSA.

Respectfully Submitted:

Loyola School

## A Resolution to Reduce Unemployment and Stimulate the Economy

1: Whereas, the national unemployment rate in the U.S. is 10%,  
2: Whereas, outsourcing jobs takes work away from Americans,  
3: Whereas, giving these outsourced jobs back to American  
4: citizens would both decrease unemployment and stimulate  
5: economic growth, therefore be it resolved by this Student  
6: Congress that the federal government will grant tax credits  
7: to businesses in exchange for giving outsourced jobs back to  
8: American workers; and, be it further resolved that the tax  
9: credits granted will be equal to the difference between the  
10: salaries of the new American workers and the salaries of the  
11: former workers to whom the jobs were outsourced; and be it  
12: further resolved that American workers will be defined as  
13: citizens of the United States currently holding legal  
14: residence in the US; and be it further resolved that the  
15: Department of Commerce and the Department of the Treasury  
16: shall oversee the enforcement of this legislation; and be it  
17: further resolved that this bill will take effect on October  
18: 1st, 2010; and be it further resolved that all laws or parts  
19: of laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby  
20: declared null and void.

Respectfully Submitted:

Roslyn High School

## A Resolution to Mandate Carbon Monoxide Alarms in New Homes

- 1: Whereas in 2008, local fire departments throughout America
- 2: responded to approximately 403,000 home fires, and
- 3: Whereas these fires claimed the lives of over 2700 people
- 4: and injured over 13,000 - not including firefighters, and
- 5: Whereas the simple installation of carbon monoxide alarms
- 6: could have given these people a higher chance of survival
- 7: and less risk of injury, and
- 8: Whereas the cost of a carbon monoxide alarm is dramatically
- 9: cheaper than the cost of hospital bills and/or home
- 10: reconstruction
- 11: Be It Resolved in Student Congress here assembled that
- 12: carbon monoxide alarms are mandatory in new homes to
- 13: increase the safety of residents and to lower the frequency
- 14: and cost of casualties.

Respectfully Submitted:

The Mary Louis Academy

## A Bill To Increase Economic Stimulus

- 1: Given that the stimulus package enacted by the federal
- 2: government has been largely successful in ending
- 3: the recession; and
- 4: since another stimulus would help increase spending
- 5: by American citizens and state governments; and
- 6: since spending is necessary to avoid falling into another
- 7: recession;
- 8: Therefore, this Congress ought to add one hundred
- 9: and fifty billion dollars to the current stimulus plan
- 10: to be distributed amongst all fifty states, ensuring
- 11: increased spending.

Respectfully Submitted:

Berkeley Carroll School

## Resolution to Ban Alcohol Consumption in Motion Pictures

- 1: WHEREAS, modern civil society increasingly relies on
- 2: the media to establish social norms; and
- 3: WHEREAS, the majority of civil behaviors are modelled on
- 4: common social points like high revenue films; and
- 5: WHEREAS, young people are exposed to stimuli such as
- 6: glorified alcohol consumption; now, therefore, be it
- 7: RESOLVED, By the Student Congress Here Assembled
- 8: that the consumption of alcoholic beverages be prohibited
- 9: in the motion picture industry; and, be it
- 10: FURTHER RESOLVED, That documentary films be exempt from
- 11: the strictures of the above resolution.

Respectfully Submitted:

Bishop Loughlin Memorial

## A Bill to Reform and Strengthen the U.S. Economy

- 1: Section I: With the exception of defense spending, all
- 2: government services and expenditures are hereby ended.
- 3: Section II: The national debt is to receive a final,
- 4: unchangeable cap of \$15 trillion.
- 5: Section III: The national budget must always be balanced.
- 6: Emergency spending and resulting deficit spending are
- 7: permitted, so long as the spending is repaid within five (5)
- 8: years of use. In addition, all emergency spending must be
- 9: noted on, but not necessarily added to, the budget for the
- 10: fiscal year after use.
- 11: Section IV: A national flat tax of 15% is hereby
- 12: implemented on all citizens.
- 13: Section V: All government revenue, after defense spending,
- 14: is to go to reducing the national debt.
- 15: Section VI: All non-emergency measures must be approved by
- 16: the Congressional Budget Office.
- 17: Section VII: This reform will occur five (5) years after
- 18: this bill is signed into law.
- 19: Section VIII: All laws in opposition to this bill are
- 20: rendered null and void

Respectfully Submitted:

Chaminade High School

## A Resolution for Citizenship & Security

- 1: Whereas, there are up to twenty-million illegal immigrants
- 2: currently in the United States, and;
- 3: Whereas, mass deportation of said immigrants is impractical,
- 4: and;
- 5: Whereas, amnesty has often been regarded as a practical and
- 6: essential solution for the security of America, and;
- 7: Whereas, an increase in border security is necessary for the
- 8: safety of all citizens, and;
- 9: Whereas, lax enforcement of immigration policies has created
- 10: a generation of undocumented individuals;
- 11: BE IT RESOLVED by the Congress here assembled that all
- 12: individuals living in the United States of America illegally
- 13: shall be given the opportunity to apply for full citizenship
- 14: BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in order to stop a recurrence as
- 15: this, and to provide for the safety and security of all
- 16: Americans, Congress allocates \$400 million to the
- 17: Immigration and Customs Enforcement of the United States
- 18: Department of Homeland Security for improvement of border
- 19: security through an increase in personnel
- 20: and overall improvement to national security.

Respectfully Submitted:

Fordham Preparatory School

A Bill on the Banning of Capital Punishment in the United States

- 1: Section 1-Capital Punishment shall be defined as any
- 2: punishment involving death carried out on any federal or
- 3: state prisoner following a conviction for a capital crime.
- 4: Sub-Section A-A capital crime shall here forward be defined
- 5: as any crime in the Federal Justice System or any State
- 6: Justice System that is clearly defined in any state penal or
- 7: disciplinary code or any federal resolution or regulation
- 8: for the treatment of federal or state prisoners as
- 9: punishable by death.
- 10: Section 2- All forms of capital punishment shall hereafter
- 11: be permanently banned.
- 12: Section3- This legislation will be put into effect
- 13: immediately.
- 14: Sub-section A-The immediate placing of this legislation into
- 15: effect will result in the change from any sentencing of a
- 16: prisoner to capital to a sentence of life imprisonment.
- 17: Section 4- All other laws in conflict with this legislation
- 18: are hereby null and void

Respectfully Submitted:

St. Francis Preparatory School

## A Resolution to End the Banning of Books

1: WHEREAS, The banning of books in public institutions is  
2: is in direct violation of right guaranteed of the United  
3: States Constitution and,  
4: WHEREAS, Books are often banned or challenged purely because  
5: they conflict with the moral or religious views of the  
6: challenger(s) and,  
7: WHEREAS, It is the right of the individual to have access to  
8: any works of literature that they please according to their  
9: own discretion and,  
10: WHEREAS, A list of the most commonly banned or challenged  
11: books in America contains many works considered to be  
12: quintessential American novels,  
13: THEREFORE, Let this congress here assembled decree that an  
14: immediate course of action shall be taken towards forbidding  
15: the banning or restriction of any work of literature in all  
16: public institutions including schools and libraries;  
17: excepting those where the authors sole intent in writing  
18: is to educate the reader in how to kill, steal or cause any  
19: type of harm to anyone or anything.

Respectfully Submitted:

Pleasantville High School

A Resolution Concerning National Infrastructure of the United States

- 1: Whereas, the national infrastructure of the United States of
- 2: America is currently in a state of disarray, and
- 3: Whereas, improving the national infrastructure is a matter
- 4: of national security and safety to the United States, and
- 5: Whereas, improving the national infrastructure would
- 6: provide jobs lost during the economic recession, and
- 7: Whereas, improving the national infrastructure would help
- 8: our economy recover at a faster rate by providing
- 9: jobs for Americans who are unemployed,
- 10: BE IT RESOLVED by this Student Congress that funding
- 11: for products related to the improvement of the national
- 12: infrastructure, such as roads, airports, or railroads,
- 13: should be increased.

Respectfully Submitted:

Christ the King RHS

## A Resolution to Withdraw the United States from NATO

- 1: WHEREAS, Membership in the North Atlantic Treaty
- 2: Organization (NATO) is no longer in the interest of the
- 3: United States; and
- 4: WHEREAS, The collapse of the Soviet Union and the
- 5: reunification of Germany rendered NATO a purposeless and
- 6: superfluous military alliance; and
- 7: WHEREAS, NATO incorporates weak states that do not augment
- 8: the security of the United States; and
- 9: WHEREAS, Article V of the North Atlantic Treaty mandates
- 10: that the United States protect those aforementioned states
- 11: should they come under attack; and
- 12: WHEREAS, NATO's inclusion of former Soviet satellite states
- 13: strains relations with Russia and threatens to force the
- 14: United States into conflict with a nuclear-armed adversary;
- 15: WHEREAS, The militaries of Western Europe are becoming
- 16: smaller and increasingly outmoded due to the reliance of
- 17: member states on the protection afforded by the United
- 18: States in accordance with Article V; therefore, be it
- 19: RESOLVED, That the United States withdraw its membership in
- 20: NATO.

Respectfully Submitted:

Iona Preparatory

A BILL TO AUGMENT SUPPORT FOR SOUTHEAST ASIA

- 1: Section 1: Congress shall allocate 10 billion dollars to  
2: the United States Agency for International Development  
3: to be used over a five year period.
- 4: Section 2: A) 5 billion dollars of the appropriation shall be  
5: used by the ASEAN Drug Experts Group in order to combat the  
6: growth and sales of drugs in ASEAN member states.
- 7: B) 5 billion dollars of the appropriation shall be used by  
8: the ASEAN Human Rights Mechanism to prevent human rights  
9: abuses in ASEAN member states.
- 10: Section 3: The Department of Treasury, in conjunction with  
11: USAID, will enforce and monitor this legislation. Improper  
12: use of the funds will result in revocation of all monies.
- 13: Section 4: This bill shall take effect immediately upon  
14: passage.
- 15: Section 5: All laws or portions of laws in conflict with the  
16: provisions of this legislation shall hereby be declared null  
17: and void.

Respectfully Submitted:

Stuyvesant High School

## A Resolution to Decrease Foreign Aid to Israel

- 1: Whereas: Foreign aid creates economic and political
- 2: dependence,
- 3: Whereas: The United States is currently facing economic
- 4: turmoil,
- 5: Whereas: There are other nations more deserving of foreign
- 6: aid assistance and
- 7: Whereas: Israel no longer warrants this aid
- 8: BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The United States decrease
- 9: foreign aid to Israel.

Respectfully Submitted:

Syosset High School

## A Resolution Regarding Sex-Offender Registries

- 1: Whereas, sex offender registries are designed to warn
- 2: parents of those who may harm their children, and
- 3: Whereas, including nonviolent offenders such as those guilty
- 4: of statutory rape, prostitution, and indecent exposure
- 5: in the sex offender registry make it harder for parents
- 6: to know which sex offenders on the list are truly
- 7: dangerous, and
- 8: Whereas, the lack of differentiation between violent and
- 9: nonviolent sex offenders and the public nature of the
- 10: registry leads nonviolent offenders to be unfairly
- 11: victimized by association with dangerous sex offenders
- 12: Be it resolved that: sex offender registries should only
- 13: include those convicted of violent crimes and should
- 14: not be publicly disseminated, but still available by
- 15: request

Respectfully Submitted:

Regis High School

## A Bill Regarding Federal Court Nominees

- 1: Be It Enacted by this Student Congress Here Assembled that:
- 2: Section I: All nominees for the Federal Judiciary must
- 3: answer questions about their specific views on
- 4: Constitutional rights.
- 5: Section II: The only exemption for failing to be forthright
- 6: would be regarding how a nominee would vote on pending
- 7: cases.
- 8: Section III: If a nominee should fail to answer the Senate
- 9: Judiciary Committee's questions in a satisfactory manner,
- 10: neither the Committee nor the full Senate will be allowed to
- 11: vote on this nominee.
- 12: Section IV: Any nominee who is affected by Section III would
- 13: not be allowed to become a recess appointment.
- 14: Section V: This bill takes place immediately upon passage.

Respectfully Submitted:

Cathedral Preparatory Seminary

