



# **2023 Debate State Tournament**

## **Congressional Debate Legislation**

## **A Bill to Protect the Youth's Access to Higher Education**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** Federal student loans will no longer be distributed to students who  
2 attend a college or university that increases their sticker prices more than  
3 the consumer price index as an incentive to lower tuition prices.
- 4 **SECTION 2.** A. "Federal student loans" shall be defined as money borrowed by  
5 students and parents/guardians from the federal government to help pay  
6 for one's higher education, that must be repaid with interest.  
7 B. "Sticker prices" shall be defined as the total yearly cost of a college  
8 or university education including the total cost of yearly tuition, books,  
9 room, and any other fees the campus may charge.  
10 C. "Consumer price index" shall be defined as a measure of the average  
11 change in prices over time in a fixed market basket of goods and  
12 services
- 12 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Department of Education shall oversee the implementation of  
13 this bill.
- 14 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on July 1, 2025.
- 15 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and  
16 void.

*Respectfully submitted to the committee of economic policy*

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## A Bill to Incentivize Regenerative Farming

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall condition farm subsidies on the  
3 successful transition towards regenerative farming practices.

4 A. Farms will be required to allocate  $\frac{1}{3}$  (one-third) of their  
5 total land towards regenerative farming during the first year  
6 of implementation,  $\frac{2}{3}$  (two-thirds) of their total land during the  
7 second year of implementation, and all of their land during  
8 the third year of implementation.

9 **SECTION 2.** A. Farm subsidies shall be defined as payment by the  
10 federal government towards farms.  
11 B. Regenerative farming shall constitute farming practices  
12 that, among other things, promote biodiversity, reduce soil erosion,  
13 rotate crops, and eliminate tilling methods.

14 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and  
15 the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) shall oversee the  
16 enforcement of this legislation.

17 A. Farms that fail to meet the requirements outlined in this  
18 legislation shall have their farming subsidies terminated.

19 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall be implemented on March 3, 2024.

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

*Respectfully submitted to the Committee of Economics,*

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## A Bill to Rebuild the Housing Market

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2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

3 **SECTION 1.** A. All housing that is rented out shall be placed on a cap on the monthly  
4 rent price.

5 B. States with an income tax of 0% - 2.5% shall have their apartment  
6 monthly rent capped at \$1,600. States with an income tax rate of 2.6% -  
7 5.5% shall have their apartment monthly rent capped at \$1,000. States  
8 with an income tax rate of 5.6% - 7.5% shall have their apartment monthly  
9 rent capped at \$900. Any state with an income tax rate of 7.6% or above  
10 shall have their apartment monthly rent price capped at \$850. Any house  
11 that is being rented out shall have the rent cap doubled.

12 C. All landlords shall be given a tax return if more than ½ of their properties  
13 are being rented. The tax return shall equal half of the state's income tax.

14 **SECTION 2.** A. Apartments shall be defined as a rented residential unit that is part of  
15 one (or several) residential buildings that measures 1,000 square feet or  
16 less.

17 B. Houses shall be defined as a building with permanent inhabitants  
18 exceeding 1,000 square feet.

19 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Housing and Urban Development and the IRS will be  
20 responsible for enforcing this legislation.

21 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect on June 1, 2023.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by*

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## A Bill to Bolster the Nigerian Military to Quell Boko Haram Insurgency

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall conduct joint operations with the Nigerian military  
2 against insurgent attacks and provide 5 billion dollars annually in aid  
3 toward Nigerian bottom-up stabilization programs and conflict mitigation  
4 systems.
- 5 **SECTION 2.** Bottom-up stabilization programs are defined as programs that restore  
6 local governance, eliminate security threats, or ensure distribution of  
7 services or resources to those susceptible to insurgency.
- 8 **SECTION 3.** Conflict mitigation systems will be defined as military systems that pursue  
9 the demobilization, deradicalization, rehabilitation, and/or reintegration of  
10 individuals affiliated with Boko Haram.
- 11 **SECTION 4.** USAID will work with the Departments of Defense and State to coordinate  
12 proper implementation with the Federal Republic of Nigeria
- 13 A. The U.S. Department of Defense will submit an annual report on the  
14 efficacy of these programs and joint operations to Congress.
- 15 B. B. Based on their findings from the report in Section 4A, Congress may  
16 choose to end some, or all support provided by this legislation.  
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- 18 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2024.
- 19 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Respectfully submitted to the Committee of Foreign Policy*

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## A Resolution to Subdue Salvadoran Suppressors, Successfully Stifling Systemic Subjugation

1 **WHEREAS**, The government of El Salvador has used unjustifiable measures to combat  
2 organized crime, including the suspension of: free speech, right to a  
3 public defender, and due process of the law through the declaration of a  
4 state of emergency; and

5 **WHEREAS**, Tens of thousands have been arrested in connection to organized crime in  
6 a matter of months on a charge of “unlawful association,” causing  
7 widespread unrest; and

8 **WHEREAS**, Salvadoran law enforcement are forced to meet daily arrest quotas,  
9 causing the arbitrary arrest of innocents; and

10 **WHEREAS**, President Bukele has indicated some willingness to work with American  
11 authorities end gang activity in El Salvador; now, therefore, be it

12 **RESOLVED**, That the Congress here assembled shall double current spending on the  
13 Transnational Anti-Gang task force (TAG) in El Salvador and help to inform  
14 the Salvadoran government on best practices in stopping organized crime  
15 only after the end of El Salvador's state of emergency and with the  
16 Salvadoran government's approval; and, be it

17 **FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the Congress here assembled shall hereby pause all aid to El  
18 Salvador until their state of emergency is ended.

*Introduced to the Committee on Foreign Affairs by*

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## A Resolution to Beef Up Brazil

- 1 **WHEREAS,** Ongoing threats of global warming and climate change require the United  
2 States and the rest of the global community to act efficiently and  
3 effectively to protect the earth for plants to survive and for the well-  
4 being of future generations; and
- 5 **WHEREAS,** Deforestation in Brazil is a major factor in increasing global warming, and  
6 the Amazon rainforest plays a major part in contributing to  
7 environmental sustainability; and
- 8 **WHEREAS,** Thousands of acres of rainforest have been cleared to expand the  
9 Brazilian beef industry by creating land for cattle grazing and agriculture;  
10 and
- 11 **WHEREAS,** The conversion of rainforest into grazing pastures and fields hurts  
12 indigenous populations, destroys ecosystems, and exacerbates climate  
13 change; and
- 14 **WHEREAS,** Sustainable agricultural practices provide a solution for deforestation,  
15 increase food production, increase the income of Brazilian farmers, and  
16 grow both the Brazilian and American economies; now, therefore, be it
- 17 **RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled call for the Brazilian government to  
18 adopt current U.S. beef production standards and allocate 3 billion USD  
19 from the U.S. Department of Agriculture to Brazil's Ministry of  
20 Agriculture, Livestock, and Food Supply to facilitate the implementation  
21 of these standards by Brazilian cattle farmers; and, be it
- 22 **FURTHER RESOLVED,** That if the Brazilian government fails to adopt and implement  
23 these standards, then the United States will place a 20% tariff on all beef  
24 imports from Brazil.

*Respectfully submitted to the Committee of Foreign Affairs by  
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## A Bill to BRing the World Up to Speed

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Federal Government shall provide economic aid to  
3 developing countries for the purpose of constructing infrastructure  
4 projects and countering Chinese economic influence.

5 A. Aid will include 250 billion dollars for American infrastructure  
6 companies to conduct projects in developing countries, with a 25  
7 billion dollar stipend for railway projects.

8 B. Aid will also include 250 billion dollars in 10 year loans with  
9 interest rates of 3.5% to developing countries directly.

10 **SECTION 2.** Developing countries shall be defined as countries with a Human  
11 Development Index (HDI) below 0.5. Infrastructure projects shall be  
12 defined as any construction of the following: roads, bridges, railways,  
13 tunnels, water supply, sewage, and telecommunications.

14 **SECTION 3.** The US International Development Finance Corporation shall oversee the  
15 implementation of this policy.

16 A. The apportionment of these payments shall take place over a 5  
17 year period, with 20% awarded annually.

18 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on October 1st, 2023.

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

*Respectfully submitted to the Committee of Foreign Policy.*

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## The Drug Interdiction Act of 2023

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- SECTION 1.** A. In order to combat the harmful impacts of the Mexican drug cartels, the United States shall use all diplomatic means to reinstate cooperation between the governments of the United States and Mexico with regard to law enforcement of the crimes of the Mexican drug cartels.
- B. Cooperation shall involve increasing the operations of US drug enforcement agents in Mexico and reestablishing the elite intelligence unit that focused on apprehending drug kingpins.
- C. The United States shall fund increased pay for prosecutors, judges, and police in anti-narcotics, and increase funding for training and equipping the Mexican police.
- D. US Customs and Border Protection shall receive \$3 billion in additional funding for narcotics control training and increasing efforts to curb the flow of weapons from the United States to Mexico.
- E. To limit the movement of drug cartels, security infrastructure at the Southern border shall receive \$2 billion for purposes including security checkpoints, surveillance, tunneling sensors, and fencing.
- SECTION 2.** Drug cartels shall be defined as transnational trafficking organizations formed to control production and distribution of illegal drugs.
- SECTION 3.** The Department of State and the Department of Justice shall implement this legislation.
- SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect upon passage.
- SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced to the Committee on Civil Policy*

## A Bill to Bring Back Balance

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Supreme Court Justices shall be limited to an active service term of 18  
3 years, after which judges who retain the office will assume senior status.  
4 New Justices will be appointed regularly in the first and third year  
5 following a federal election by the President.

6 **SECTION 2.** A. Active service will be defined as being one of nine Justices on the panel  
7 of Justices exercising judicial powers in cases and rulings.

8 B. Senior status will be defined as a Justice whose 18-year term has  
9 ended and is thus deemed retired from regular service. Senior Justices  
10 will continue to hold the office of Supreme Court justice, including official  
11 duties and compensation, and may continue to perform judicial duties  
12 assigned to them by the Chief Justice.

13 **SECTION 3.** This bill will be overseen and enforced by the Administrative Office of the  
14 United States Courts.

15 A. If the appointment of a Justice would result in more than nine Justices  
16 on the Court, then the nine most junior Justices shall make up the panel  
17 of Justices exercising judicial power in cases and controversies.

18 B. In the event of a vacancy on the Court, the Chief Justice must assign  
19 the Justice most recently designated as a Senior Justice to serve on the  
20 Court until the appointment of a new Justice.

21 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall go into effect starting January 1st, 2024.

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

*Respectfully submitted to the Committee of Civil Policy,*

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## A Bill to Ban Facial Recognition in Policing

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1           **SECTION 1.** A Federal law enforcement officer or agency may not  
2           acquire, possess, access, or use any facial recognition or other biometric  
3           surveillance systems, or use information derived from it.
- 4           **SECTION 2. A. FACIAL RECOGNITION.**—The term “facial recognition” means  
5           an automated or semi-automated process that—  
6                 a. assists in identifying an individual, capturing information about an  
7                 individual, or otherwise generating or assisting in generating  
8                 surveillance information about an individual based on the physical  
9                 characteristics of the individual’s face; or  
10                b. logs characteristics of an individual’s face, head, or body to infer  
11                emotion, associations, activities, or the location of an individual.
- 12           **B. FEDERAL OFFICIAL.**—The term “Federal official” means any officer,  
13           employee, agent, contractor, or subcontractor of the Federal Government.
- 14           **C. BIOMETRIC RECOGNITION.**—The term “other remote biometric  
15           recognition” means an automated or semi-automated process that—  
16                 a. logs such characteristics to infer emotion, associations, activities, or  
17                 the location of an individual; and  
18                 b. does not include identification based on fingerprints or palm prints.
- 19           **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Justice (US DOJ) will oversee  
20           the enforcement of this legislation.
- 21           **A. FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.**—Beginning on the first day of the first  
22           fiscal year beginning after the date of the enactment of this Act, a State or  
23           unit of local government that violates this Act is ineligible to receive  
24           Federal financial assistance under the Byrne grant program.
- 25           **B. JUDICIAL INVESTIGATIONS AND PROCEEDINGS.**—  
26                 a. **ADMISSIBILITY.**—Except in a judicial investigation or proceeding  
27                 alleging a violation of this section, information obtained in violation  
28                 of this section is not admissible by the Federal Government in any  
               criminal, civil, administrative, or other investigation or proceeding.

- b. RIGHT TO SUE.—A violation of this section constitutes an injury to any individual aggrieved by a violation of this Act. An individual described in subparagraph (A) may institute proceedings against the Federal Government whose official is alleged to have violated this section for the relief described in subparagraph (D) in any court of competent jurisdiction.
- c. RELIEF.—In a civil action brought under subparagraph (B) in which the plaintiff prevails, the court may award—
  - i. actual damages;
  - ii. punitive damages;
  - iii. reasonable attorneys’ fees and costs; and
  - iv. any other relief, including injunctive relief, that the court determines to be appropriate.
- d. (d) CIVIL PENALTIES.—Any Federal official who is found to have violated this section may be subject to retraining, suspension, termination, or any other penalty, as determined in an appropriate tribunal, subject to applicable due process requirements.

**SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2024. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by*

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# Green Nuclear Deal

*Be it enacted in Congress assembled that...*

## **SECTION 1**

- A. The Department of Energy shall enter into negotiations with the Westinghouse Electric Company to purchase 15 new AP1000 nuclear power plants.
- B. The amount for the negotiated purchase shall be appropriated to the Office of Nuclear Energy in Fiscal Year 2025, provided that the Department of Energy secures an agreement with the Westinghouse Electric Company at or under a total purchase price of \$100 billion.
- C. The Office of Nuclear Energy shall be responsible for determining appropriate locations for the AP1000 power plants.

## **SECTION 2**

- A. The Assistant Secretary of Energy for Nuclear Energy shall be promoted to being the Under Secretary of Energy for Nuclear Energy and shall be subordinate only to the Secretary of Energy. The Under Secretary of Energy for Nuclear Energy shall continue to be appointed by the President of the United on the advice and consent of the Senate.
- B. The Office of Nuclear Energy shall receive the additional responsibility of purchasing, operating, and maintaining all future federally owned nuclear power plants.
- C. The Department of Energy Office of Inspector General shall submit an annual report to the Congress on the performance of the Office of Nuclear Energy in its expanded operations.

## **SECTION 3**

- A. A tax shall be levied on all fossil fuel industry carbon emissions at a rate of \$50 per metric ton beginning on January 1, 2024.
- B. The fossil fuel industry includes any corporation that pays corporate tax and is involved in the production or sale of energy derived from oil, coal, and natural gasses.
- C. The list of corporations subject to the carbon tax shall be determined by the Environmental Protection Agency.
- D. The amount of tax owed shall be calculated by the Environmental Protection Agency.
- E. Funds generated shall first be appropriated to the Office of Nuclear Energy for the purposes of running the Office and for the purchase of the power plants referenced in SECTION 1.
- F. Excess funds shall go towards the Department of the Treasury for additional premature Treasury Bond buybacks.
- G. The Office of Nuclear is authorized to sell energy from these power plants to all consumers.

## **SECTION 4**

The Department of Energy, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the Department of the Treasury shall oversee the implementation of this legislation.

## **SECTION 5**

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

*Respectfully introduced to the Committee on Economic Affairs*

## A Bill to Correct Our Conflict in Cuba

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** Legislation that implements or supports the embargo on the Republic of  
2 shall be repealed and tourism with Cuba shall be resumed.
- 3 **SECTION 2.** **A.** An embargo shall be defined as a ban on trade or commercial activity  
4 with another country. Legislation that implements the embargo includes,  
5 but is not limited to, the Cuban Assets Control Regulations and the 1992  
6 Cuban Democracy Act.
- 7 **B.** Tourism shall be defined as the activity of traveling for recreation while  
8 making use of the commercial provision of services.
- 9 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. State Department and the Department of Commerce will oversee  
10 the enforcement of this bill.
- 11 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall be taken into effect on January 1st, 2025.
- 12 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced to the Committee on Foreign Affairs*

## A Resolution to Cease Allegiance to Israel

- 1 **WHEREAS,** The State of Israel has committed human rights abuses against the  
2 peoples of Palestine with a recent example being the deaths of 9  
3 Palestinians in refugee camps on January 26, 2023; and
- 4 **WHEREAS,** Israeli settlement in the West Bank has lead to “settler violence” and the  
5 death of 170 Palestinian citizens including 30 children in just 2022; and
- 6 **WHEREAS,** the Israeli authorities subject Palestinians to forced evictions, arbitrary  
7 detention, torture and other ill-treatment; and
- 8 **WHEREAS,** The recent drone attack on Iran demonstrates Israel's potential to create  
9 an international conflict; and
- 10 **WHEREAS,** The United States provides weapons and funds to Israel totalling to \$12.8  
11 billion with much of those resources going towards human rights abuses  
12 against Palestine; now, therefore, be it
- 13 **RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled shall cease all funding and aid to Israel;  
14 and, be it
- 15 **FURTHER RESOLVED,** That this Congress shall issue a public statement condemning any  
16 future unprovoked attack committed by the State of Israel.

*Respectfully submitted to the committee on Foreign Policy*

**A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Overturn Citizens  
United v. FEC**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **RESOLVED**, By two-thirds of the Congress here assembled, that the following article is  
2 proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which  
3 shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when  
4 ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states within  
5 seven years from the date of its submission by the Congress:

6 **ARTICLE --**

7 **SECTION 1.** The ruling in Citizens United v. FEC is hereby overturned, and limitless and  
8 unreasonable campaign expenditure shall not be exhibited by any entity or  
9 organization regarding United States elections at any level.

10 **SECTION 3.** The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate  
11 legislation.

*Respectfully submitted to the committee of Civil Policy.*



## A Bill to Evaporate Food Deserts

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) shall make \$100  
 2 million in grants available to States in order to support the establishment  
 3 and operation of grocery stores in underserved communities.
- 4 A. Amounts in the fund shall be used for the purpose of making loans
- 5 a. to open a grocery store in an underserved community, except  
 6 that such loan may not be used for the purpose of new  
 7 construction;
- 8 b. to support the operations of an existing grocery store in an  
 9 underserved community;
- 10 c. to provide access to healthy food; or
- 11 d. to support the operations of a program participant that is  
 12 located in a community that would be an underserved  
 13 community if the program participant was not located in such  
 14 community.
- 15 B. In order to be eligible for a loan, a grocery store must
- 16 a. emphasize or will emphasize unprocessed, healthful foods;
- 17 b. provide or will provide a variety of raw fruits and vegetables;
- 18 c. provide or will provide staple foods;
- 19 d. have a plan to keep such foods in stock to the extent possible;
- 20 e. charge affordable at or below market values
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- 24 **SECTION 2.** A. HEALTHFUL FOOD.—The term “healthful food” means food that reflects  
 25 the most recent Dietary Guidelines for Americans.
- 26 B. GROCERY STORE.—The term “grocery store” means a retail store that  
 27 derives income primarily from the sale of food for home preparation and  
 28 consumption.

- A. **UNDERSERVED COMMUNITY.** – The term "underserved community" means a community (including an urban or rural community and an Indian tribal community) that has
- a. limited access to affordable, healthy foods, including fresh fruits and vegetables, in grocery retail stores or farmer-to-consumer direct markets; and
  - b. a high rate of hunger or food insecurity or a high poverty rate.

**SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Agriculture shall oversee the implementation of this legislation.

**SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2024. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate*

## A Bill to Supply Aid Over Arms

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**SECTION 1.** A. No corporation or individual shall engage in the sale of weapons, military technology, or military intelligence to any foreign government, corporation, individual, or entity.

B. The United States Government shall cease all export of arms to foreign countries.

C. The United States shall send the monetary equivalent of 25% of the current militaries and arm's sales (private and government) in humanitarian aid to all countries currently in conflict,

D. Any violation of this legislation shall be prosecuted as treason in a federal court and subjected to a fine of 120% of the sale revenue.

**SECTION 2.** A. Humanitarian aid will include but not be limited to food, water, clothes, transportation, and shelter.

B. Countries in conflict will be defined as countries in combat with other countries or groups inside their country,

**SECTION 3.** The International Trade Administration and Department of Justice shall oversee the implementation of this legislation.

**SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect in one year from the date of passage.

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

*Introduced for Congressional Debate*

## A Bill to Provide Free Ridership

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1   **SECTION 1.**   A. All public-transit fares shall be eliminated.  
2                    B. Revenue generated from a 0.5% increase in national sales tax shall be  
3                    implemented towards funding current public-transit systems. Any  
4                    remaining funds shall be allocated towards zero-emission bus rapid transit  
5                    projects.
- 6   **SECTION 2.**   A. Public-transit fares shall be defined as the fee paid by a passenger for  
7                    use of an urban public transport system, including rail, bus, and train.  
8                    B. Zero-emission bus rapid transit projects shall be defined as projects  
9                    devoted to developing new technology to increase the availability of bus  
10                   transit systems that utilize non-green house gas emitting vehicles.
- 11 **SECTION 3.**   The Department of Transportation Federal Transit Administration shall be  
12                   responsible for the implementation and enforcement of Section A of this  
13                   legislation.
- 14                   A. The Internal revenue Service shall be responsible for the  
15                   implementation and enforcement of Section B of this legislation.
- 16 **SECTION 4.**   This bill shall take effect at the beginning of January 1st, 2024.
- 17 **SECTION 5.**   All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Respectfully submitted to the Committee of Civil Policy.*

## A Bill to HEAL (Help, Employ, Alleviate, and Learn)

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** A. All public medical schools in the United States will increase student capacity by five  
3 percentage points annually for six fiscal years. Any school that fails to do so will have  
4 their funding reduced by 50%.

5 B. Residency spots will increase by five percentage points each fiscal year for six years.

6 C. Community medical facilities with an inadequate physician to patient ratio will  
7 receive grants each fiscal year to increase capacity for medical residents. The maximum  
8 amount given will be \$75,000 for every physician needed to achieve an adequate  
9 physician to patient ratio at peak patient levels.

10 D. Out-of-state and foreign students enrolling in medical school will have all out-of-state  
11 tuition paid for by the federal government if they agree to complete their residency in a  
12 community medical facility specified in Section 1C. If they void this agreement, with the  
13 exception of failing to graduate, they will be required to pay back the full cost of tuition  
14 plus a \$25,000 fine.

15 E. Foreign medical students in Section 1D will receive an Optional Practical Training  
16 (OPT) extension on their student visa for the duration of their residency.

17 **SECTION 2.** A. Community medical facilities shall be defined as all public or not-for-profit hospitals  
18 and medical clinics.

19 B. Adequate physician to patient ratio shall be defined as a ratio of at least 1 physician  
20 for every 15 patients in a community medical facility.

21 C. Residency shall be defined as all post-graduate education and training required, per  
22 selected specialty or subspecialty, to become a fully licensed physician.

23 D. Out-of-state tuition shall be defined as the medical school tuition paid by a student  
24 who isn't a resident of that state, minus the cost of in-state tuition.

25 E. Foreign medical student shall be defined as a medical student studying in the United  
26 States who is not a citizen.

27 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Education, the  
28 Department of State, and the Internal Revenue Service shall oversee the  
29 implementation of this legislation.

30 A. The Internal Revenue Service will place a 15% excise tax on all opioid manufacturing  
31 in order to fund this legislation.

32 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect at the start of FY 2024. Federal coverage for out-of-state  
33 tuition will commence at the start of the 2023-2024 academic year.

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

*Respectfully submitted to the Committee of Civil Policy.*