

STATE CONGRESS

H234ST01
Fargo South

Public Welfare (regulates domestic issues in U.S.)

A RESOLUTION THAT THE UNITED STATES PROTECT POLLINATORS BY REDUCING NIONICS

WHEREAS: In New York alone, a 40% loss in honey bee population has been realized; and,

WHEREAS: Neonics are a class of synthetic, neurotoxic insecticides that are used on agricultural crops, lawns, gardens, golf courses, and in flea and tick pet treatments; and.

WHEREAS: Neonics are the single most popular insecticide class in the United States; and,

WHEREAS: Neonics harm other wildlife and have been linked to collapse of fisheries and loss of birds; and,

WHEREAS: A decline of pollinators can severely affect the food supply especially in the areas of fruits and vegetables.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

STATE CONGRESS

H234ST02

Fargo Davies

Public Welfare (regulates domestic issues in U.S.)

A RESOLUTION THAT THE UNITED STATE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT SHOULD PROHIBIT ADVERTISEMENT OF PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS

WHEREAS: the excessive promotion of pharmaceutical products through advertising has raised concerns about its impact on public health, patient-doctor relationships, and healthcare costs; and

WHEREAS: pharmaceutical advertisements often prioritize marketing strategies over the provision of unbiased and comprehensive information, potentially influencing medical decisions; and

WHEREAS: the banning of pharmaceutical advertising has the potential to encourage a more informed and patient-centered approach to healthcare, focusing on medical professionals' expertise rather than direct-to-consumer marketing; and

WHEREAS: other countries have implemented restrictions or bans on pharmaceutical advertising to address similar concerns and promote responsible healthcare practices.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

STATE CONGRESS

H234ST03

West Fargo High School

Public Welfare (regulates domestic issues in U.S.)

A RESOLUTION TO PROMOTE WALKABLE CITIES AS A FORM OF HEALTHY URBAN PLANNING IN THE UNITED STATES

WHEREAS: Urban planning strategies in the United States must be shifted to prioritize walkable and multi-use streets to promote citizen health, environmental protection, and economic benefits; and

WHEREAS: Walkable cities limit the needs for public transit which can mitigate the spread of contagious disease, and improve health of citizens by mitigating the harms of obesity, diabetes, and cardiovascular disease; and

WHEREAS: Walkable cities can mitigate climate change through the use of emission free transportation; and

WHEREAS: Walkable cities create more opportunities for citizens to patronize local businesses; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

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H234ST04

Dickinson Trinity

Public Welfare (regulates domestic issues in U.S.)

A RESOLUTION TO INCREASE ACCESS AND FUNDING TO MENTAL HEALTH FOR VETERANS

WHEREAS: Suicide rates among veterans is on the rise

WHEREAS: Many veterans face hurdles like traveling long distances with access to mental health care

WHEREAS: Veterans all too often face long waits for help with substance abuse or other struggles

WHEREAS: Veterans struggle with the stigma of mental health due to military culture

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

STATE CONGRESS

H234ST05

Shanley

Ways and Means/Appropriations (allocating, raising, and regulating of federal funds)

THE UNITED STATES ALLOCATE 10 BILLION DOLLARS A YEAR FOR THE NEXT 10 YEARS FOR THE TREATMENT OF EDUCATIONAL DEFICIENCIES.

WHEREAS: Dyslexia, ADHD, ADD, ODD, and Autism are still not understood by the educational systems of the United States; and,

WHEREAS: The underserved in the educational system learn differently than the average student, thus need different educational strategies; and,

WHEREAS: This injection of new money for treatment of learning deficiencies will draw more people into the field of education; and,

WHEREAS: Drawing the best and brightest minds into educating to serve the underserved in the education today will improve our communities, businesses, and societies; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

WEST CONGRESS

H234W01

West Fargo High School

Public Welfare (regulates domestic issues in U.S.)

A BILL TO ESTABLISH THE FEDERAL RIGHT TO STRIKE FOR ALL PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

WHEREAS: SECTION 1. The United States will allow public employees not covered by the National Labor Relations Act of 1935 the right to strike; and,

WHEREAS: SECTION 2. Public Employees shall be defined as any persons whether employed, appointed, or under contract, providing services for the federal government or a state, county, city, or other political subdivision for which compensation is paid, including, but not limited to teachers, postal workers, and transportation workers. Public Employee does not include, any person elected to public office, any member of legislative council, or any person holding an appointive statutory office; and

WHEREAS: SECTION 3. The National Labor Relations Board will oversee the implementation and enforcement of this bill. The National Labor Relations Board will entitle all public employees to the same directives of the National Labor Relations Act of 1935; and

WHEREAS: SECTION 4. This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2025. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

WEST CONGRESS

H234W02
Fargo South

Public Welfare (regulates domestic issues in U.S.)

A RESOLUTION THAT ALL STATES ALLOW INTERSTATE TELEHEALTH TO MAKE TELEHEALTH MORE ACCESSIBLE TO ALL

WHEREAS: Currently, interstate telehealth is not allowed; and,

WHEREAS: Exceptions for interstate telehealth were made during the pandemic, but most have been discontinued; and,

WHEREAS: Patients who may not be in their home area are not allowed to have telehealth appointments with their own doctors; and,

WHEREAS: The impact of this is especially seen in areas of mental health where patients either skip important mental health therapy or have to meet with unfamiliar doctors; and,

WHEREAS: Interstate telehealth allows out-of-state physicians in good standing to deliver services via telehealth without an in-state license under certain circumstances; and,

WHEREAS: Circumstances include emergencies, follow up care, for consultative services, when a patient has temporarily traveled out of state.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

WEST CONGRESS

H234W03

West Fargo Sheyenne High School

Foreign Affairs (U.S. relationship with other countries or U.N.)

A RESOLUTION THAT THE UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES (USCIS) ACCOMMODATES NON-IMMIGRANT EMPLOYMENT-BASED VISA HOLDERS' (H1B, L1) DEPENDENT CHILDREN (H4, L2) TO AVAIL WORK AUTHORIZATION OR EMPLOYMENT AUTHORIZATION DOCUMENT (EAD)

WHEREAS: Unmarried children under the age of 21 are considered dependent of their H1B, OR L1 visa category parent and are not authorized to work in the U.S.; and,

WHEREAS: Dependent children are not eligible to obtain a social security number, unless they hold an EAD but are instead assigned with an individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN) which helps the primary visa holder in tax filing; and,

WHEREAS: After the age-out period of 21, the primary visa holder who has not yet gotten the I140 approved, cannot hold their children as a dependent anymore, forcing their children to exit the country; and,

WHEREAS: By accommodating EAD to H4 and L2 child at the appropriate work age, they automatically will be assigned a social security number, thus benefiting the IRS with increased revenues; and,

WHEREAS: Young adults lose the opportunities at the start of their adulthood of being independent and to explore the employment world, which acts as a barricade to their future endeavors; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

WEST CONGRESS

H234W04

St. Mary's Central High School

State and Local (legislation that relates to ND)

A RESOLUTION TO DECREASE PROCESSING AND EXTRACTION OF FOSSIL FUELS IN NORTH DAKOTA

WHEREAS: The extraction and processing of fossil fuels leads to pollution which negatively impacts local communities and local biodiversity; and,

WHEREAS: The extraction and processing of fossil fuels causes social disruption via land displacement and land degradation for marginalized communities; and,

WHEREAS: Fossil fuel extraction and processing releases hazardous chemicals and waste into bodies of water which causes health issues for local communities and biodiversity; and,

WHEREAS: In 2022, wind energy accounted for 37% of North Dakota's electricity generation. Increasing renewable energy production will positively impact North Dakota's economy and lessen health issues and concerns to local communities and biodiversity; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

WEST CONGRESS

H234W05

Grand Forks Public Schools

Ways and Means/Appropriations (allocating, raising, and regulating of federal funds)

A BILL TO IMPOSE A 1% TARIFF ON ALL IMPORTED PETROLEUM AND OIL.

WHEREAS: The revenue built from this tariff will go to increasing nuclear energy subsidies, and,

WHEREAS: Fossil fuels are running thin, creating a demand for new energy forms, and,

WHEREAS: This funding will support the research, testing, and development of nuclear energetics, and,

WHEREAS: The United States imports millions of barrels daily, so a 1% tariff will create necessary traction for nuclear subsidies to be useful, and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

EAST CONGRESS

H234E01

Fargo North

Ways and Means/Appropriations (allocating, raising, and regulating of federal funds)

A RESOLUTION THAT THE UNITED STATES PUT A PRICE CAP ON THE HOUSING MARKET

WHEREAS: The cost of houses is too high for the average family to afford.

WHEREAS: It is crucial to establish a limit on housing prices to prevent them from rapidly increasing.

WHEREAS: The minimum wage is not increasing at the same rate as house prices.

WHEREAS: a cap on the housing market brings us closer to equality in the housing market.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

EAST CONGRESS

H234E02

West Fargo Sheyenne High School

Foreign Affairs (U.S. relationship with other countries or U.N.)

A RESOLUTION THAT THE UNITED STATES FEDERAL GOVERNMENT INCREASE SECURITY MEASURES REGARDING THE TRANSFER OF MONEY INTO FOREIGN BANK ACCOUNTS

WHEREAS: Fortune 500 companies such as Google, Facebook, and Microsoft have evaded corporate tax by transferring their commissions to foreign bank accounts; and,

WHEREAS: The top one percent have notoriously used secret foreign bank accounts to avoid federal taxation; and,

WHEREAS: The top one percent has already evaded over \$163 billion in annual taxes; and,

WHEREAS: Switzerland and the Cayman Islands are exempt from complying with basic Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) requirements such as identifying and reporting accounts of U.S. citizens and companies; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

EAST CONGRESS

H234E03

Mandan High School

Public Welfare (regulates domestic issues in U.S.)

A RESOLUTION THAT NATIONALLY ELECTED OFFICIALS HAVE A MAXIMUM AGE LIMIT

WHEREAS: Currently, U.S. Congress members do not have a top age limit, only a minimum age limit; and,

WHEREAS: There is already an limit on the minimum age to run for office; and,

WHEREAS: According to the University of California San Francisco, natural cognitive decline can be begin around 30; and,

WHEREAS: Recent incidents of cognitive issues have been seen in several long-term politicians;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

EAST CONGRESS

H234E04

Shanley

State and Local (legislation that relates to ND)

NORTH DAKOTA STATE GOVERNMENT FINANCIALLY SUPPORT THE CREATION OF COMMUNITY KITCHENS WHERE NEIGHBORS GATHER TO COOK FOR NEIGHBORS.

WHEREAS: Food insecurity in North Dakota is on the rise; and,

WHEREAS: People have become more insulated, more alone, since the COVID-19 pandemic;
and,

WHEREAS: Community members that cook together learn how to make food from neighbors,
make personal contacts, and create a selfless service community; and,

WHEREAS: Selfless service is one of the most positive and sure ways to improve community
life; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

EAST CONGRESS

H234E05

Dickinson Trintiy

State and Local (legislation that relates to ND)

A RESOLUTION TO INCREASE PENALTIES FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA CLASS B MISDEMEANOR TO A CLASS A MISDEMEANOR

WHEREAS: Domestic violence rates have increased in ND; in recent years

WHEREAS: The increase in the fines and jail max would deter domestic violence;

WHEREAS: At this time the crime of animal cruelty is a class A misdemeanor and therefore carries a larger penalty than domestic violence;

WHEREAS: Domestic violence is detrimental to families and the economy.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

INVITATIONAL CONGRESS

H234I01

St. Mary's Central High School

Ways and Means/Appropriations (allocating, raising, and regulating of federal funds)

A RESOLUTION FOR THE US GOVERNMENT TO ADJUST INCOME-DRIVEN REPAYMENT PLANS AND OTHER STUDENT DEBT FORGIVENESS PROGRAMS TO BETTER ALLEVIATE PERSONAL DEBT CAUSED BY FEDERAL STUDENT LOANS

WHEREAS: Student loans are a financial burden on many post-secondary graduates;

WHEREAS: For the purposes of ambiguity, the definitions of this legislation are as follows: A federal student loan shall generally defined as, “[M]oney borrowed from the federal government to help pay for your education, that must be repaid with interest.”

WHEREAS: The average federal student loan in the United States is over \$30,000 per borrower; and,

WHEREAS: The average borrower takes 20 years to pay off federal student loan debt, which negatively impacts an individuals ability to make investments, etc.; and,

WHEREAS: Adjusted and improved student debt forgiveness programs will help many borrowers to pay off federal student loan debt at an improved rate; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

INVITATIONAL CONGRESS

H234I02

Fargo Davies

Ways and Means/Appropriations (allocating, raising, and regulating of federal funds)

A RESOLUTION THAT THE UNITED STATES FEDERAL GOVERNEMENT SHOULD PRIORTIZE FUNDING FOR QUANTUM TECHNOLOGY

WHEREAS: quantum technology has the potential to revolutionize various fields, including computing, communication, and sensing; and

WHEREAS: other nations are actively investing in quantum research and development, positioning themselves at the forefront of this emerging technology; and

WHEREAS: fostering a supportive environment for quantum technology research in our educational institutions is essential to maintain global competitiveness; and

WHEREAS: the development of quantum technology has the capacity to address complex challenges and drive innovation across multiple industries.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

INVITATIONAL CONGRESS

H234I03

Richardton-Taylor

Public Welfare (regulates domestic issues in U.S.)

A RESOLUTION TO ALLOW PEOPLE CONVICTED OF A FELONY TO VOTE

WHEREAS: A citizen that is convicted of a felony, either imprisoned or released, will now have the ability to vote in federal and local elections; and

WHEREAS: The individual is responsible for requesting and signing up for an absentee ballot from their voting district; and

WHEREAS: The Secretary of State of their determined residence will be responsible for ensuring they receive their absentee ballot; and

WHEREAS: The current address on their drivers license will determine their state of residence and voter district; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

INVITATIONAL CONGRESS

H234I04

Mandan High School

Public Welfare (regulates domestic issues in U.S.)

A RESOLUTION THAT WOMEN SHOULD BE REQUIRED TO SIGN UP FOR THE DRAFT

WHEREAS: Only men are required to sign up for the selected service; and,

WHEREAS: The army did not meet its recruitment goal for 2023; and,

WHEREAS: The current number of international conflict and possible conflicts increases daily; and,

WHEREAS: The number of possible draftees may not be able to be meet the needs of a possible war,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

INVITATIONAL CONGRESS

H234I05

Horace High School

Public Welfare (regulates domestic issues in U.S.)

A RESOLUTION TO LEGALIZE MEDICAL MARIJUANA, ALLOWING THOSE WITH MEDICAL MARIJUANA CARDS TO OWN PLANTS FOR INDIVIDUAL USE

WHEREAS: Medical marijuana is a safer option to treat pain than other options like opioids; and,

WHEREAS: Medical marijuana relieves insomnia, anxiety, spasticity, epilepsy, and both temporary and chronic pain; and,

WHEREAS: Legalization of medical marijuana will allow additional research to be done in a way that the current federal law prohibits and prevents; and,

WHEREAS: Medical marijuana is an option that the individual can grow, harvest, and use to treat their own condition, allowing for greater freedom from big pharma; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

INVITATIONAL CONGRESS

H234I06

Horace High School

Public Welfare (regulates domestic issues in U.S.)

A BILL TO REQUIRE ALL PARENTS TO TAKE AN ONLINE PARENTING COURSE

WHEREAS: Section 1. All first-time parents must complete five hours of course work to ensure the safety and healthy development of their children. This course work shall be free to the first-time parent, paid for by the United States Government.

WHEREAS: Section 2. In-person or online parenting courses will consist of how to care for children as well as identifying symptoms of early childhood illnesses. Additionally, such courses will outline various kinds of parenting duties and responsibilities.

WHEREAS: Section 3. This bill shall be enforced by the United States Department of Child Protective Services, who will also oversee designing the curriculum for the class, training trainers, providing physical space or an online space for the class to be provided, and all other aspects of this program not listed.

WHEREAS: Section 4. The United State Congress shall allocate additional funds to the United States Department of Child Protection Services. These funds will be sufficient to cover all aspects of the program and will be kept separate from other funding that the United States Department of Child Protection Services receives from the United States Congress.

WHEREAS: Section 5. This bill will take effect January 1, 2026, applying to all children born on and thereafter. Should an individual who already has a child have a child after this bill goes into effect, they will be defined as a first-time parent for the purpose of the first child born after this bill takes effect.

WHEREAS: Section 6. All laws in conflict with this bill shall be declared null and void.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

INVITATIONAL CONGRESS

H234I07

Fargo North

Foreign Affairs (U.S. relationship with other countries or U.N.)

A RESOLUTION THAT U.S SHOULD COUNTER THE CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY

WHEREAS: the CCP has acted possessively and aggressively over the nation of Taiwan.

WHEREAS: The CCP has been patrolling the South China Sea.

WHEREAS: the CCP has been dominating and regulating trade all over Asia.

WHEREAS: The US believes in the idea of self-determination

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

INVITATIONAL CONGRESS

H234I08

Grand Forks Public Schools

State and Local (legislation that relates to ND)

A RESOLUTION THAT NORTH DAKOTA IMPLEMENT MORE QUEER EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES IN THEIR COMMUNITIES.

WHEREAS: LGBT education can be fulfilled in a variety of ways, including getting to know a family member who is gay or a friend that is transgender; it can also include consuming media that features LGBT people or characters.

WHEREAS: Educating people about LGBT issues could foster an environment where LGBT people feel safer going in public and being themselves.

WHEREAS: People are scared of what they don't understand. Making people more educated about LGBT topics and issues would help them get to a place of realization and be more accepting.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...