

# **Fall 2009 Legislation**

**Intended for Use Oct-Dec. 2009**

**In this packet are 22 pieces of legislation for use during preliminary sessions and 6 pieces of legislation for use in a Super Congress. If not Super Congress is held, these pieces may be incorporated into the regular sessions at the discretion of the Tournament Director.**

**A Bill Regarding School Sports**

1. Be it enacted by this Student Congress here assembled that:
2. **Section 1.** In an effort to combat obesity, social awkwardness, stress caused suicides
3. and crimes, and to help students feel good about themselves, make new friends and give
4. the student an opportunity to find out what he/she is good at, all students enrolled in
5. public or private school must participate fully in at least one season of an approved sport
6. per year.
7. **Section 2.** Definition- Sport: an athletic activity requiring skill or physical prowess
8. **Section 3.** If a student is physically unable to perform ANY sports offered,
9. s/he will be required to do an alternate pre-approved activity fostering social and/or
10. mental involvement.
11. **Section 4.** The provisions of this Bill will start with the next school year, being 2010-  
2011.

Respectfully submitted,

Central Kitsap High School



### A Bill Mandating Parent Licensing

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED that a government-run program issuing licenses to  
2. potential parents be established in the state of Washington.

4 **Section 1:** Qualification:

5 A) Applicants must register to be licensed within 60 days of the birth of their first child.

6 B) Applicants will be charged a \$45 registration fee to establish themselves in the program. Thereafter, a \$25  
7. annual renewal fee will be applied.

8 C) Applicants will be required to participate in a two-week parenting course which includes  
9 instruction in basic childcare and personal finance.

10 D) After completion of the course, applicants will be issued a license by the state certifying that  
11. they are qualified parents.

12 E) In situations of shared custody, only one parent or guardian is required to obtain a license.

13 **Section 2:** Enforcement:

14 A) A \$500 fine will imposed upon those failing to register for a license within 60 days of the  
15. birth of their child.

16 B) A \$150 annual fine will be imposed for every year thereafter in which the parent(s) fails to  
17 register for a license.

18 C) Social Security, hospital, and public school records will be employed in order to detect  
19. violations.

20 D) This program shall be under the jurisdiction of the Washington State Department of Social  
21. and Health Services.

22 **Section 3:** Funding: Revenue from fines and registration/renewal fees will be directed toward the  
23 funding of this program.

24 **Section 4:** Promulgation: This program shall be established and the law enacted within one year of the  
25 passage of this legislation.

Respectfully submitted by Central Valley High School

## A Resolution on Sudan Diamonds

1. Whereas: Children in Sudan are being forced to mine diamonds, and
2. Whereas: These children are being permanently disfigured, and
3. Whereas: The money from diamond sales aren't going to the miners, but to the
4. government, and
5. Whereas: Mass Genocide is taking place in Sudan with little being done to stop it, and
6. Whereas: There is a high probability that the money is being used to fund terrorism,
7. Therefore: Be it resolved by the student congress assembled that the import of
8. Sudanese Diamonds be stopped until the country A) Stops using children for the
9. mining of the diamonds, and B) Establishes a stable government that is self-
10. perpetuating and peaceful.

Respectfully submitted,

Coeur d'Alene High School

A Bill Expanding Teach for America

1. Be it enacted by this Student Congress here assembled that:
2. Section 1: Teach for America shall be expanded by the addition of federal funding.
3. Section 2: All schools receiving these federal funds via Teach for America, inc. must provide
4. language teachers in an even number of European and non-European languages.
5. Section 3: Distribution of funds will be overseen by the Department of Education.
6. Section 4: These funds must be utilized to provide a minimum of 3,300 new teachers.
7. Section 5: Funding for this expansion shall come from cutting the following programs currently
8. managed by the Department of Education: BJ Stupak Olympic Scholarships, Close Up
9. Fellowships, Comprehensive School Reform, Education for Native Hawaiians, Even
10. Start, Exchanges with Historic Whaling and Trading Partners, Projects with Industry,
11. Ready to Teach, School Leadership, Strengthening Alaskan Native and Native
12. Hawaiian-Serving Institutions. This will result in a budget of \$169,300,000.
13. Section 6: This bill shall go into effect on June 1st, 2010.

Respectfully Submitted by Eastside Catholic High School

A Resolution to Implement a National Grocery Bag Tax

1. Whereas, disposable shopping bags are environmentally unfriendly and
2. Whereas, disposable shopping bags are hazardous to the health of young children and
3. animals and
4. Whereas, consumers in 2008 used over 10 billion shopping bags and
5. Whereas, there is currently no economic incentives for people to avoid using these disposable
6. bags and
7. Whereas, Ireland and cities in Oregon have already implemented successful grocery bag taxes
8. BE IT RESOLVED by the Student Congress here assembled that the United States of America
9. should implement a national grocery bag tax of 10 cents per bag, a percentage of which would
10. go to the store collecting the tax, depending on that store's gross annual income and
11. a percentage of which would go to recycling efforts.

Respectfully submitted by Eastside Catholic High School

**Resolution to replace all Articulated Buses with Double-Decker Buses in the United States**

1     **Whereas** many articulated buses are nearing the point of deterioration and will need to be  
2     replaced in the near future, and

3     **Whereas** double-decker buses are currently already being used in Seattle and Las Vegas,  
4     and

5     **Whereas** double-decker buses use less street space which improves congestion during  
6     peak traffic times, and

7     **Whereas** double-decker buses can seat more people and have better gas mileage than  
8     articulated buses making them more economically and environmentally friendly, and

9     **Whereas** double-decker buses are enjoyable to ride making public transit more attractive  
10    and riders happier, and

11    **Whereas** the more double-decker buses are ordered, the lower the cost to produce them  
12    become:

13    **Be it resolved** by the Student Congress here assembled that the United States replace all  
14    articulated buses currently in use with double-decker buses.

Respectfully submitted,

Edmonds HRC

**A Resolution to allow “Third Parties” to debate in Presidential and Vice-Presidential Debates**

1       **Whereas** our country is a democracy and we were founded on equality and the principle  
2       that each person’s voice should be heard as evidenced by the First Amendment, and  
3       **Whereas** the two current major parties, the Republicans and Democrats, have  
4       successfully monopolized the political face of America and,  
5       **Whereas** our country has numerous “third parties” which provide a balancing opinion to  
6       the major parties, and  
7       **Whereas** these third parties are rarely invited to debate in the Presidential or Vice-  
8       Presidential debates, robbing said third parties of much needed publicity, and  
9       **Whereas** this creates a stale and predictable political atmosphere in these debates and in  
10      politics in general, and  
11      **Whereas** most Americans do not know about these valuable third parties,  
12      **Be it resolved** by the Student Congress here assembled that the United States should  
13      embrace its third parties by inviting them to the Presidential and Vice-Presidential  
14      debates and  
15      **Be it further resolved** that we should consider a lottery system to decide which third  
16      Parties will be invited each year due to the large number of parties in existence.

Respectfully Submitted,

Edmonds HRC

## A Bill to Legalize the Growth and Sale of Marijuana

1. Section One: Be it enacted by the Student Congress assembled that
2. the growth and sale of marijuana be legalized, licensed, regulated, and highly taxed.
3. Section Two: The industry would be regulated with a portion of the taxes that it
8. produces.
9. Section Four: Federal tax would be set to a rate of three percent, and States will be
10. allowed to institute their own taxation methods, with a maximum of twelve percent.
11. Licenses for growers will be provided on an annual basis for a fee
12. of fifty dollars per acre. Licenses for sellers would be provided on an annual basis for
13. a fee of fifty dollars. Customers will be required to pay any usual state taxes, and
14. must be 18 years of age. The Federal Trade Commission will be responsible for
15. issuing licenses and collecting Federal taxes.

Respectfully Submitted,

Eisenhower High School

## A BILL TO IMPLEMENT A NEW NORTH AMERICAN UNION

1. Be it enacted by the student congress assembled here that:
2. Section 1 The United States of America engage in a legally binding North American Union
3. (NAU), the national currency be changed to the Amero, and the trade and immigration laws be
4. abolished .concerning affairs with Canada and Mexico
5. Section 2 U.S. jurisdiction will be expanded before the expansion of borders in order to ensure the
6. safety of materials being imported/exported freely, and the whole process will be made possible by
- 7.10,000,000,000 U.S. dollars collected from the national budgets for printing and minting of the
8. new coin
9. Section 3 The changes of this bill would come into effect late .November of 2010 and would be in a
10. transitional phase of printing .money distribution and expanding jurisdiction until November of the
- 11.following year (2011), at which point current National currencies would be considered void, and the
12. borders of Canada and Mexico 15.would be open for unrestricted travel.
- 13.Section 5 All laws in conflict with this legislation will become null.and void, but will be mutually
14. agreed upon and reinstated to account for the new conditions
- 15.Section 4 All other “State” and regulatory laws in conflict with this may still be decided and
16. changed by the respective “States”

Respectfully submitted, Kingston High School



**A Bill Relating to Minimum Wage**

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED
2. THAT
3. **SECTION 1.** The existing state minimum wage should be lowered. This will
4. enable Washington State workers to be able to compete with legal and illegal
5. immigrant workers.
6. **SECTION 2.** Definitions: Minimum Wage: The lowest amount of money that an
7. employer can legally pay an employee.
8. **SECTION 3.** This Bill would be sponsored and enforced by the United States
9. Department of Labor, specifically the Wage and Hour Division.
10. **SECTION 4.** This Bill would be implemented by the end of the fiscal year of
11. 2012.
12. **SECTION 5.** Any existing state laws demanding a higher minimum wage
13. would be rendered null and void by this new law.

Respectfully Submitted

Kingston High School

## A Resolution to Encourage Foreign Language Education in Schools

1     **WHEREAS,**   The United States has historically failed to require foreign  
2     language education in its schools; and

3     **WHEREAS,**   English has failed to grow at the same rate as other languages  
4     throughout the world; and

5     **WHEREAS,**   A thorough understanding of a foreign language can increase  
6     the ability of an individual to understand world cultures, individuals, and other  
7     countries, therefore more effectively allowing democratic decision making;  
8     and

9     **WHEREAS,**   French and Spanish are the most widely spoken languages in  
10    the Indo-European language family that utilize the same Latin script as the  
11    English language that acts as the de facto national language of the United  
12    States of America, allowing the most accessibility to American students; now,  
13    therefore, be it

14    **RESOLVED,**   That the Student Congress here assembled recommends that  
15    every state’s Department of Education necessitate three years of continuous  
16    mandatory education in either the French or Spanish language as an education  
17    requirement to graduate high school.

18    Introduced by Lake City High School

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### A Resolution for Electro-Magnetic Pulse Protection

1. **WHEREAS**, an Electro-Magnetic Pulse (EMP) will take out all electronics
2. around the blast zone in the United States of America and cause blackouts for a long
3. period of time ,and,
4. **WHEAREAS**, this will leave America without any power for electronics, cars,
5. phones, computers, or anything else powered by electricity, and,
6. **WHEREAS**, without electricity food supplies would be scarce and America would
7. ultimately revert back to a more barbaric society because of a loss of technology,
8. meaning that there would be no internet for communication or economy because
9. money would become worthless due to a loss of government power; now therefore, be
10. it 10. **RESOLVED**, by the student congress here assembled that, America
11. immediately
11. start encasing their transformers in Faraday Cages, or find a way to disarm an EMP
12. bomb before it detonates such as the "Star wars" project.

Respectfully submitted,

Mount Rainier Lutheran High school

A Resolution for Bio-fuel from Cow Manure

1. **WHEREAS**, manure from cows creates more pollution than cars and airplanes
2. combined and causes issues in the soil.; and
3. **WHEREAS**, the dairy cows at Haubenschild Farms, MI, produce 22,000 gallons of
5. manure a day which is enough to yield about 80,000 cubic feet of "biogas" a day
6. that could generate 3,000 kilowatt hours of electricity; therefore, be it
7. **RESOLVED**, by the student congress here assembled that cow farms should be
8. required to use cow manure to generate energy to sustain themselves; and, be it
9. . **FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a possibility of tax incentives be given to farms
10. that comply.

Respectfully submitted,

Mount Rainier Lutheran High School

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### **Resolution to make banning cell phone use while driving a primary law**

1. Whereas, cell phone use is a major distraction for drivers on the road and;
2. Whereas, 2,600 deaths and 330,000 injuries are caused by people driving while using a cell
3. phone and;
4. Whereas, Police officers can not currently pull a driver over for using their cell phone without
5. the driver violating a primary offense thus losing revenue and;
6. Whereas, additional revenue from tickets issued for use of cell phones while driving would
7. help with the economy therefore,
8. BE IT RESOVLED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT driving while using a
9. cell phone be made into a primary violation rather than remaining a secondary law.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Renton High School

**Resolution to put nutrition labels on school lunches**

1. Whereas, Children are uninformed of the nutritional values of their daily school lunches thus
2. creating a negative effect on child health and;
3. Whereas, 17% of children 2-19 are overweight and 1 in 3 American children born in the
4. 2000's will have type-2 diabetes and;
5. Whereas, Trans fats are accountable for 30,000 to 100,000 deaths as a result to premature
6. heart diseases each year and;
7. Whereas, Washington state alone spends billions of dollars a year on obesity problems and
8. work compensation and;
9. Whereas, New York, Seattle and San Francisco have been successful with putting nutrition
10. labels on menu items in restaurants with 20 or more chains;
11. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT, schools be required
12. to put nutrition labels that provide calorie, sodium, fats, protein, carbohydrate, vitamins,
13. minerals and ingredients on school lunches with the purpose to inform children of their daily
14. intake and help with the battle against child obesity.

Respectfully Submitted by

Renton High School



# Tahoma Senior High School P

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## A Resolution to Lower the Drinking Age to 18 Years Old

1. Be it Resolved by The Student Congress here assembled that
2. Whereas, the legal drinking age in the United States is currently
3. 21 years old, and
4. Whereas, this law was only created in the 1980's to prevent
5. Drunk driving fatalities on the road, and
6. Whereas, this law cannot be thoroughly enforced because statistics show that only one out of
7. five teenagers who drink gets caught, and
8. Whereas, 18 year olds are mature enough to make other
9. Important decisions in our country like voting, going to war, etc., and
10. Whereas, the underage drinking and abuse of alcohol is increasing, resulting in more deaths.
11. Therefore, be it resolved by the student congress assembled that:
14. The United States will enact a law to lower the drinking age to 18 years old.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tahoma Senior High School

### A Bill To Include Women in Conscription

1. BE IT ENACTED by this student congress assembled here today that: women
2. be included within the United States draft.
3. SECTION I: Women are to be included within the law of conscription regarding
4. the United States armed forces.
5. SECTION II: Many countries, including North Korea, Israel, Paraguay, and
6. Chile, already include women within conscription. It is paramount that as part of
7. equal rights, women are to also serve their civil responsibilities. Women serve as
8. equally beneficial to the armed forces as are men.
9. SECTION III: Funding for this Bill will include nearly the equivalent to what it
10. already requires for conscription to occur, or roughly \$3,000,000.
11. SECTION IV: This Bill will be enforced through the general military
12. regulations of the draft. The armed forces of the United States will be
13. responsible for enforcing the procedure.
14. SECTION V: This Bill is to become effective as of May 1, 2010.

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A Bill to Enforce HIV Tests for All Expecting Mothers

1. BE IT ENACTED by the Student Congress assembled that:
2. SECTION I: All expecting mothers be required by law to be tested for Human
3. Immunodeficiency Virus, or HIV, after testing positively for pregnancy.
4. SECTION II: All women who are pregnant, no matter what age, will be required by law to take an HIV
5. test within the first 3 months of pregnancy. These tests will be given by a certified medical examiner
6. or through an outpatient program certified 7. by the American Medical Association.
7. SECTION III: Expenses of the HIV tests will be absorbed by the expecting mother's medical insurance
8. company. If no medical insurance is apparent then the test expenses will need to be paid out-of-
9. pocket within two years of test date.
10. SECTION IV: Testing procedures and payments for the mandatory HIV tests will be enforced by the
11. American Medical Association with the assistance of local law enforcement agencies.
12. SECTION V: This bill will become effective immediately upon passage.

Respectfully submitted by,

Thomas Jefferson High School



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### A Resolution Concerning Guantanamo Bay

1. **Whereas**, There are currently men and women detained who have not been
2. proven guilty, and
3. **Whereas**, President Obama many times spoke of closing the ex-naval base, and
4. **Whereas**, The U.S. owned land in Cuba could be utilized better and more
5. effectively in another way, so
6. **Be it resolved** by the student congress here assembled that, something be done in
7. order to fairly try and punish (if needed) those held at Gitmo.

Respectfully submitted by,

University High School

A Bill to Limit Carbon Emissions Via Cap and Trade

1 Be it enacted by the student congress assembled here that:

2 Section 1

3 The United States limit carbon emissions released in the air via Cap and

4 Trade

5 Section 2

6 A) Definitions: Cap is the limit of carbon emission released by any business or

7 nation. Trade is the act or process of buying, selling, or exchanging commodities.

8 Section 3

9 A) Limit: business can't emit more than 25,000 tons of carbon dioxide per

10 year.

11 B) Any business or corporation that does not exceed the Cap can sell the

12 remaining space under their Cap to businesses which do exceed the Cap.

Respectfully submitted

WSFA

## A RESOLUTION TO REQUIRE GOOD SAMARITAN LAWS

1. **WHEREAS**, certain states do not uphold the good Samaritan laws and allow a
2. person injured from an aiding act to sue in the court systems showing that in
3. an emergency a good Samaritan may be sued; and.
4. **WHEREAS**, certain state courts have ruled that Samaritans not be protected
5. and allowed to be sued by the person they are attempting to aid; and.
6. **WHEREAS**, this leaves the good Samaritan with a lawsuit for attempting to help
7. a person in need of assistance after a medical episode or accident; now, therefore,
8. be it
9. **RESOLVED**, by the student congress here assembled that, all states in America
10. be required to instate and enforce the good Samaritan laws.

Respectfully Submitted,

WSFA

# SUPER CONGRESS LEGISLATION ONLY

The following six pieces of legislation have been reserved for Super Congress at Tournaments where a Super Congress is held. Tournament directors may designate this legislation for preliminary sessions ONLY if no super congress will be held.

Be It Enacted by the Student Congress Here assembled that:

1. Section 1: Washington state law permits Brothels to be owned and operated
2. within the state, so long as they adhere to the rules and regulations listed in
3. Section 2 of this bill.
4. Section 2: Brothels (prostitution house) must be licensed by the state and pay a
5. \$25,000 yearly licensing fee in order to operate. All prostitutes must be 18
6. years of age, a legal resident of the USA and licensed by the state in order to
7. work and must have their business licenses on them at all time while working.
8. Weekly physicals and STD (both blood and cervical swab) checks are
9. mandatory for all licensed prostitutes. Condoms are mandatory for all sexual
10. acts performed. If a worker test positive for HIV or AIDS while employed that
11. workers license is permanently revoked by the state. All sexual acts must be
12. dual consent. A \$250,000 fine shall be issued to any company with a minor
13. found working. The company's business license shall also be suspended for 5
14. years upon conviction. Workers may not be held against their will. There shall
15. be a 10% tax, on all paid acts, that goes directly to the state. Brothels may not
16. be within 1 mile of city or state parks, schools, or daycare centers.
17. Section 3: This bill will be enforced by the Washington State Department of
18. Health (DOH) unless immediate or direct intervention is needed, in which it
19. will be enforced on a city basis (ie city police).
20. Section 4: This bill goes into effect June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010.
21. Section 5: All laws that conflict with the legalization of state licensed
22. brothels are null and void as of June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010

Respectfully submitted by WSFA

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A Bill To Amend Washington's Rape Laws To Include The Crime Of Date Rape

1. Be it enacted by the student congress assembled here that:
2. Section 1. RCW 9A.44.040 Rape in the first degree shall hereby be amended to
3. add the following language:
4. (e) Commits date rape:
5. (1) Date rape shall consist of sexual intercourse with
6. someone with whom the perpetrator has a personal
7. relationship and uses such relationship to foster
8. sexual intercourse over the objection of, and against the
9. will of, the victim.
10. This bill shall become effective on the first day of July 2010.

Respectfully Submitted

WSFA

***RCW 9A.44.040***

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**Rape in the first degree.**

(1) A person is guilty of rape in the first degree when such person engages in sexual intercourse with another person by forcible compulsion where the perpetrator or an accessory:

(a) Uses or threatens to use a deadly weapon or what appears to be a deadly weapon; or

(b) Kidnaps the victim; or

(c) Inflicts serious physical injury, including but not limited to physical injury which renders the victim unconscious; or

(d) Feloniously enters into the building or vehicle where the victim is situated.

(2) Rape in the first degree is a class A felony.

## **A Resolution to Prevent Overly-Intrusive Airport Surveillance**

1. WHEREAS: The fourth amendment readily defines the right to undergo a search or procedure as
2. requiring oath or affirmation based on probable cause; and,
3. WHEREAS: The perpetuation of this principle relies solely on the Federal government respecting an
4. individuals right to privacy unless probable cause dictates them to do otherwise; and,
5. WHEREAS: The FBI and CIA have acquired the power to unjustly monitor the intimate privacy of
6. individuals on the account of any relevant or irrelevant basis regardless of Americans'
7. aforementioned natural rights to privacy; and
8. WHEREAS: Current FBI surveillance policies and regulations cause citizens of Middle Eastern descent
9. to be interrupted and searched in the airport 70% more often than any other ethnic group; and,
10. WHEREAS: This interruption is cumbersome on airport facilities, air traffic, and standard airport
11. operating procedures; and,
12. WHEREAS: Treating any racial group in a different, especially negative way for reasons relying
13. merely on the basis of their ethnicity is defined as a racist action, therefore based upon pride
14. and prejudice rather than common sense and logic; therefore,
15. BE IT RESOLVED by this Student Congress assembled that: The United States of America will aim to
16. reform airport scanning policies within one year of this bills passing, removing "ethnicity" from
17. the list of reasons that provide probable cause for a search or seizure to be legally conducted.

Moved Respectfully by

WSFA

A Bill to Augment Concealed Weapons Permits

1. SECTION 1. Current Concealed Weapons Permits (CWPs) will be augmented to allow
2. qualified individuals to carry weapons in the United States on the campus of a publicly
3. funded institute of higher education.
4. SECTION 2. CWPs are void in courthouse, juvenile and adult correctional facilities,
5. prisons, jails, and primary and secondary schools. CWPs are to be held applicable in
6. institutes of higher education.
7. SECTION 3. Those holding a concealed weapon on private grounds must leave if
8. requested, or face charges of trespassing.
9. SECTION 4. The local state police force will be in charge of issuing CWPs to all who are
10. fully qualified. Qualifications include:
  11. A. Eighteen (18) years of age.
  12. B. Legal resident of the United States
  13. C. Background check free of any misdemeanor or felony convictions
  14. D. Drug test free of illegal substances
  15. E. Successful completion of a police firearm training and safety course.
16. SECTION 5. CWPs must be renewed every two years
17. SECTION 6. This bill affects the law in only those states which currently have CWPs
18. SECTION 7. The augmentation will be effective June 1, 2010.
19. SECTION 8. All laws in conflict or competing with this legislation are hereby declared
20. null and void.

Respectfully submitted by WSFA

**A Resolution To Promote Loyalty**

1. . Whereas, United States of America citizens should always be willing to
2. prove their loyalty to the United States and
3. Whereas, the United States is one of the best countries in the world in which
4. to live, and
5. Whereas, signing a piece of paper would potentially only take a maximum of
6. 10 seconds out of a loyal citizen's day, and
7. Whereas, the United States needs to encourage her citizens to be active and
8. enthusiastic, and
9. Whereas, the United States government needs the support of a loyal populace,
10. and
11. Whereas, the United States is involved in complicated conflicts and needs to
12. know her friends from foes
13. Therefore be it resolved by the Student Congress Assembled that the United
14. States of America will require all of her citizens to sign loyalty oaths once a
15. month

Respectfully submitted by,

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Limitation of Welfare

1. Be it enacted by the Student Congress assembled that
2. Section 1. In the case of an economic recession or depression in the United States of
3. America, only people with major mental or physical illnesses be eligible for welfare.
4. Section 2. People who lose their job, and do not voluntarily quit will be eligible for
5. welfare for a period of two (2) months.
6. Section 3. Any organization found in violation will have all government funding
7. stopped until they can provide proof that they no longer fund people who do not meet
8. requirements.
9. Section 4. On the local level, State Police will insure that the organizations that provide
10. welfare are in compliance with the above. No extra funding will be needed.

Respectfully Submitted

WSFA

Decriminalize Marijuana

1. Whereas, decriminalizing marijuana is not the equivalent of legalization, and
2. Whereas, decriminalizing marijuana replaces criminal charges for possession or use of
3. marijuana with monetary fines, and
4. Whereas, decriminalizing marijuana reduces police and court costs by an estimated 12.1
5. million dollars per year, and
6. Whereas, the state of Washington would save an estimated 7.5 million dollars for the
7. enforcement of current laws in regards to the prosecution for marijuana
8. possession or use, and
9. Whereas, in the year 2007, there were 782,000 Americans arrested for marijuana related
10. crimes, of those 90% were arrested for possession, and
11. Whereas, decriminalizing marijuana does not rescind criminal charges for distributing or
12. possession of more than 40 grams, and
13. Whereas, decriminalizing marijuana does not grant access or possession to minors, and
14. Whereas, current marijuana laws assume on-going criminal activity by stigmatizing those
15. convicted of possession and banning them from receiving any federal money (ie
16. federal college loans/grants or FHA), and
17. Whereas, current overcrowding in prisons could be mitigated by over 4% by eliminating
18. criminal charges for possession. Therefore
19. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT
20. within the United States of America and all of US territories the use and possession of
21. fewer than 40 grams of marijuana will be decriminalized.

Respectfully Submitted by WSFA