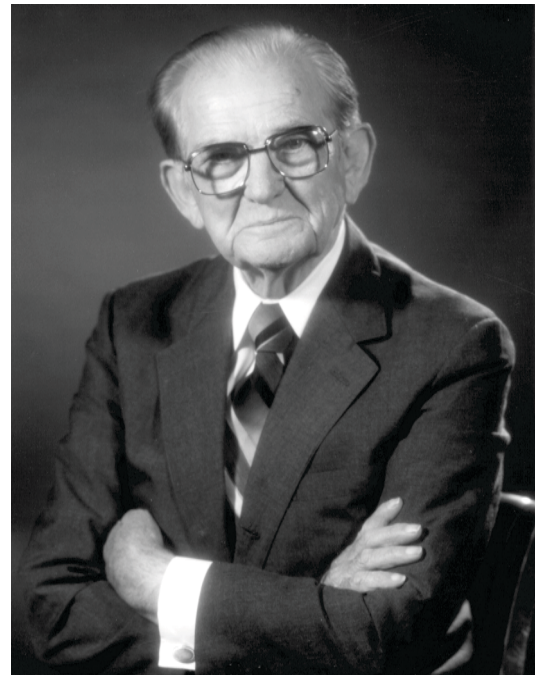


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- ❖ Legislation submitted by districts was vetted anonymously through a committee of 11 coaches to determine the 37 items included below, balanced from among six geographic regions. Districts whose legislation was not selected will be sent feedback from the process.
- ❖ This publication is a *docket* of all legislation that can be considered at the National Congress. Each chamber sets its own *agenda* at the beginning of the preliminary, semifinal and final sessions. There is **no** alpha or omega designation.
- ❖ Legislation for **finals** as prepared by the Stennis Center for Public Service Leadership will be released **May 17**.
- ❖ **Five reserve items** of preliminary legislation also will be released May 17. These items may not be added to the agenda until all other items in the docket have been dispensed with.

Preliminary Session Legislation

- 1 A Bill to Stop Funding the War Effort in Iraq and Afghanistan
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- S4 A Bill to Grant Amnesty to Undocumented Immigrants
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- S6 A Resolution to Ratify the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) Treaty
- S7 A Resolution to Withdraw the United States from NATO
- S8 A Bill to Combat the Terrorist Threat in Yemen
- S9 A Bill to Return the Black Hills to Comply with Broken Treaties
- S10 A Bill to Curb Antibiotic Resistance
- S11 A Resolution Amending the Constitution to Grant the Executive Branch the Power of Line Item Veto
- S12 A Resolution to Condemn Israel's Invasion and Blockade of The Gaza Strip



A Bill to Stop Funding the War Effort in Iraq and Afghanistan

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States will stop funding the war effort in Iran and Afghanistan.

3 **SECTION 2.** The “war effort” is defined as: all monies, supplies, equipment, personnel,
4 weaponry, or any other means to engage an enemy. The “war effort”
5 specifically excludes any and all reconstructive or rehabilitative aid
6 including, but not limited to, building of infrastructure, hospitals, and
7 schools.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Defense and the General Accounting Office in addition
9 to current oversight committees of Congress will be responsible for
10 enforcement.

11 **SECTION 4.** This law will take effect within six months of passage.

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

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the East Los Angeles District.



A Bill to Support the Creation of Energy Infrastructures in Sub-Saharan Africa

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall assist in the creation of energy infrastructures in
3 Sub-Saharan Africa.

4 **SECTION 2.** Energy infrastructures shall be defined as the programs and tools
5 necessary to produce efficient and reliable energy sources to African
6 nations.

7 **SECTION 3.** The United States shall contributed 1 billion dollars to the International
8 Energy Agency (IEA) to assist in completing this task. The United States
9 Agency for International Development will be responsible for
10 enforcement.

11 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go into effect upon passage and the funds will be
12 distributed over a period of five years.

13 **SECTION 5.** All laws or portions of laws in conflict with the provisions of this
14 legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the Florida Panther District.



A Bill to Hold Businesses Accountable for Human Rights Violations

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All companies or corporations either based in the United States or doing a
3 majority of business in the United States shall be prohibited from
4 conducting business in countries which violates human rights. This
5 restriction shall be limited to contracts made with governments by these
6 companies or corporations that directly create or further existing human
7 rights violations.

8 **SECTION 2.** A “human rights violation” shall be defined as any action that contradicts
9 the right of an individual as defined by the United Nations’ Universal
10 Declaration of Human Rights.

11 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Department of Justice shall be responsible for the enforcement of
12 this act as follows: Any corporation or company found to be committing
13 human rights violations in a country as defined by Article 1 shall have
14 their business license or corporate charter revoked or, where applicable (as
15 in the case of a non-U.S. based company), be given fines in the amount of
16 30% of the profit made from imported goods or services in the United
17 States. The following stipulations apply:

- 18 A. The business must be either based in the U.S. or engaged in a majority
19 of business in the U.S.
20 B. The human rights being violated must be documented by the U.N.
21 C. The business must be entered into a contract with the violating country
22 that allows a specific human rights violation to be created, continued,
23 or enhanced.

24 **SECTION 4.** This act shall take effect on January 1, 2011.

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

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the Greater Illinois District.



A Bill to Save Science Education

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** A categorical grant of \$100 million will be established to fund public high
3 school science classes and research programs on science teaching efficacy.

4 **SECTION 2.** Five percent of the grant (\$5 million) will be used to fund programs to
5 research effective methods of teaching natural science subjects to students

6 a) Science subjects included in these studies will be: Astronomy,
7 Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Geology, and Physics.

8 b) Programs will investigate the efficacy of different teaching methods
9 including, but not limited to, the use of classroom lab activities,
10 standardized testing, cumulative projects, and research papers.

11 c) After the research has concluded, a report will be submitted detailing
12 recommendations for the most effective methods of teaching in the
13 respective subjects.

14 **SECTION 3.** Ninety-five percent of the grant (\$95 million) will be used to better
15 science education in US public schools

16 a) Funds will be immediately available after conclusion of programs in
17 SECTION 2.

18 b) Funds will be used to purchase textbooks and equipment for student
19 use along with funding for teaching programs for existing science
20 educators. Grants will be applied for individually by schools and
21 evaluated and prioritized on a need basis.

22 c) Textbooks will require approval by a national board of scientists and
23 educators.

24 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take in effect July 1, 2011

25 **SECTION 5.** Funding via normal means.

26 **SECTION 6.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the East Iowa District.



A Bill to Ban Advertisement of Pharmaceuticals

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The advertisement of pharmaceutical drugs to the direct population will be
3 banned.

4 **SECTION 2.** Advertisement: an announcement of goods for sale through newspapers,
5 radio, magazines, or television commercials.

6 Pharmaceuticals: any chemical substance intended for use in the diagnosis,
7 cure, treatment, or prevention of a disease or illness.

8 Direct population: any consumer outside of the medical field (also pertains
9 to medical professions if consumer is off-duty at the time).

10 **SECTION 3.** The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) shall enforce this ban.

11 A. In addition to regulation by the FCC, consumers who view an
12 advertisement may at any time report the pharmaceutical company to
13 the FCC.

14 B. Any pharmaceutical company found in violation of this ban must pull
15 all advertisements immediately. The company must also pay a \$5,000
16 fine to the FCC.

17 C. All money generated from the fines will be redistributed by the FCC
18 into the general economy.

19 **SECTION 4.** All advertisements for pharmaceuticals must cease by July 1, 2010.

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

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the West Iowa District.



A Bill to Repeal the Don't Ask, Don't Tell Policy

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Armed Forces shall not discharge any member of the
3 armed forces on the grounds of engaging in, attempting to engage in, or
4 soliciting another to engage in a homosexual act; stating that he or she is a
5 homosexual or bisexual; or marrying or attempting to marry a person of
6 the same biological sex.

7 **SECTION 2.** The Secretary of Defense shall not establish, implement, or apply any
8 personnel or administrative policy, or take any personnel or administrative
9 action in whole or in part on the basis of sexual orientation.

10 **SECTION 3.** The Uniform Code of Military Justice shall be amended to specify that any
11 harassment in whole or in part on the basis of actual or perceived sexual
12 orientation or homosexual acts shall be punishable as a court-martial may
13 direct.

14 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall be implemented immediately upon passage.

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

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the Sunflower District.



A Resolution to End United States Economic Sanctions Against Cuba

1 **WHEREAS**, Economic sanctions placed against Cuba beginning in July 1960 are
2 inhumane, anachronistic, and ineffective; and

3 **WHEREAS**, These economic sanctions are condemned by over 180 world countries;
4 and

5 **WHEREAS**, These economic sanctions have cost the Cuban economy an excess of 89
6 billion dollars since their institution in 1960; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Food availability in Cuba has been vastly impacted by losses valued at 258
8 million because of the economic sanctions between May 2006 and April
9 2007; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Losses to the Cuban health sector are estimated to exceed 30 million; and

11 **WHEREAS**, Many devices used in the healthcare field and other areas of daily living,
12 used to help give people a better life, cannot be sold by an American
13 company to the Cubans or bought from an American company by the
14 Cubans; and

15 **WHEREAS**, Rhese economic sanctions have not achieved their primary and continuing
16 goal of toppling the Fidel Castro regime; now, therefore, be it

17 **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that the federal government shall end all
18 economic sanctions that have been levied against the country of Cuba.

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the South Kansas District.



A Bill to Ban Global Influence on American Politics

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Any foreign corporation is prohibited from spending money on or producing
3 electioneering communications in the United States of America. Foreign
4 corporations are not privy to the rights bestowed on American corporations
5 by *Citizens United v. FEC*.

6 **SECTION 2. A)** A foreign corporation is a corporation whose board is composed of more
7 than 50% non-American citizens or is privately owned by a non-American
8 citizen.

9 **B)** Electioneering communications are defined in Federal Election
10 Commission regulations, Title 11 of the Code of Federal Regulations as:
11 broadcast, print or internet communications that refer to a clearly identified
12 candidate and are distributed to the relevant electorate within 60 days prior to
13 the general election or 30 days prior to a primary.

14 **C)** A communications provider is any broadcast network, print publisher or
15 internet web publisher.

16 **SECTION 3.** Any infraction will result in a monetary fine.

17 A. The Federal Election Commission will bring a lawsuit against the
18 corporation that promoted the electioneering communication for a sum of
19 \$500,000 per incident.

20 B. The Federal Communication Commission will bring a lawsuit against the
21 communications provider that aired the ad for a sum of \$200,000 per
22 incident.

23 **SECTION 4.** This prohibition will go into effect on July 1, 2010.

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

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the Central Minnesota District.



A Bill to Implement a Space-Based Strategic Missile Defense System

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States of America and the Department of Defense shall
3 implement a space-based Strategic Missile Defense system in order to
4 combat enemy missile threats around the globe. Existing technologies
5 from the DoD-NASA joint space defense partnership program shall be
6 utilized in the implementation of this space missile shield, which shall
7 consist of a series of satellite-mounted weapons and radar systems with
8 the ability to intercept and destroy enemy intercontinental ballistic
9 missiles within range.

10 **SECTION 2.** The provisions of this bill shall take effect immediately upon passage.

11 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of Defense shall be responsible for
12 enforcing the provisions of this bill. An amount of money not to exceed
13 \$100 billion shall be appropriated by this Congress from the United States
14 Treasury for expenditures.

15 **SECTION 4.** All laws or portions of laws in conflict with this bill shall be null and void.

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the Eastern Missouri District.



A Bill to Expand First-Time Home Buyer Credit

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The first-time home buyer credit should be extended.

3 **SECTION 2.** The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) will oversee the enforcement of the
4 bill.

5 A. Taxpayers who have a binding contract to purchase a home before
6 May 1, 2011, are eligible for the credit. Buyers must close on the home
7 before July 1, 2011.

8 B. The credit does not have to be paid back unless the home ceases to be
9 the taxpayer's main residence within a three-year period following the
10 purchase.

11 **SECTION 3.** The credit should be extended to November 10, 2010.

12 **SECTION 4.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the Heart of America District.



A Resolution to Allow All Undocumented Immigrants to Obtain a Modified Driver's License

1 **WHEREAS,** It is not feasible to deport millions of undocumented immigrants from the
2 United States; and

3 **WHEREAS,** Undocumented immigrants in America should be integrated into society;
4 and

5 **WHEREAS,** Offering a modified driver's licenses to undocumented immigrants will
6 make roads safer and they would be held responsible for automobile
7 accidents; and

8 **WHEREAS,** Immigrants would have to pass the required driving test so that safety on
9 the roads would increase; and

10 **WHEREAS,** Offering driver's licenses to undocumented immigrants will improve
11 national security and extend the ability to track them; and

12 **WHEREAS,** Identity theft would significantly be reduced and with a modified drivers
13 license the current status would be identified on the license; and

14 **WHEREAS,** The United States is currently in a recession and state economies could
15 benefit from increase fees in drivers licenses and auto registration; now,
16 therefore, be it

17 **RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled that undocumented immigrants should be
18 permitted to receive a modified driver's license in the United States.

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the Golden Desert District.



A Bill to Establish a Policy on Open Immigration

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All undocumented immigrants currently living in the United States shall
3 be granted status of lawful permanent residents.

4 **SECTION 2.** All limitations and controls on the number of immigrants who may enter
5 the United States through legal means will be abolished.

6 **SECTION 3.** The Preference System and the Diversity Visa Lottery Program shall be
7 replaced by a policy of open admissions to provide visas affording the
8 status of lawful permanent residents to all non citizens seeking long-term
9 admissions into the United States.

10 **SECTION 4.** No individual shall be denied entrance or lawful status unless shown to
11 present a clear and present danger to national security or public safety.

12 **SECTION 5.** This bill shall become law immediately upon passage.

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the Sagebrush District.



A Resolution to Join the International Criminal Court

1 **WHEREAS**, the International Criminal Court (ICC) provides a globally recognized
2 standard of justice; and

3 **WHEREAS**, the ICC is designed to compliment existing national court systems when
4 additional consideration is necessary or desired; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the Obama administration has expressed great regret for not being a
6 signatory of the ICC; now, therefore, be it

7 **RESOLVED**, That the Congress here assembled implore President Obama to ratify the
8 Rome Statute and join the International Criminal Court.

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the New England District.



A Resolution to Support Reform of the United Nations

1 **WHEREAS,** The United Nations is inherently flawed and needs reform regarding the
2 Security Council, human rights, funding and military readiness; and

3 **WHEREAS,** The United Nations is unprepared to face and address challenges presented
4 in a more advance and diplomatically complex world; and

5 **WHEREAS,** The United Nations is readily faced with budget problems and political
6 and military authority resulting in unprepared response to world crisis;
7 now, therefore, be it

8 **RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled that the United States ambassador to the
9 United Nations convey the United States willingness to begin the
10 reformation process of the United Nations; and, be it

11 **FURTHER RESOLVED,** The United States ambassador to the United Nations is
12 instructed to convey the United States' intention to:

- 13 1. Amend article 23 of the United Nations Charter to include India,
14 Brazil, Saudi Arabia and Nigeria as permanent members and the
15 Security Council.
- 16 2. Amend clause three in article 27 to require the Security Council's
17 permanent members to have only two permanent members not
18 concurring for a resolution to pass.
- 19 3. Amend article nineteen to require all member nations to pay at least
20 .0005% of the national budget to the United Nations.
- 21 4. Place all Human rights commissions under the High Commissioner on
22 Human Rights, require a human rights report from all nations every
23 three years to the commission and amend membership rules.
- 24 5. Create a professional paid peacekeeping force whose Mission is to
25 protect citizens, provide humanitarian aide, and try and stabilize
26 situation while an international force and/or response is organized.

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the New Mexico District.



A Bill to End All Funding for Bio-Warfare and Bio-Defense Research

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** No Federal funds shall be allowed to go to into the research, development
3 or weaponizing of harmful biological substances required a BS-3 or higher
4 containment standard. Furthermore, all Federal programs involving labs
5 of BS-3 containment or higher will be ended.

6 **SECTION 2.** “Harmful biological Substances” shall be defined as any and all toxins,
7 bacteria, viruses capable of causing harm to humans, animals or plant life.
8 “Weaponizing” shall be defined as any and all techniques used to
9 artificially enhance the virulence, infectivity, ease of distribution or
10 delivery of harmful biological substances. Techniques like aerosolization
11 provide examples of weaponizing techniques.

12 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Homeland Security will insure that no Federal funding
13 goes towards further research, development or weaponizing of harmful
14 biological substances.

15 A. All control of biological defense programs operated by the Federal
16 government which contain labs of at or above BS-3 shall be
17 transferred to control of the Department of Homeland Security.

18 B. All such programs will be ended as expeditiously as possible.

19 **SECTION 4.** Implementation of this legislation shall occur before the start of fiscal year
20 2014.

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

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the Carolina West District.



A Bill: American Education Improvement Act of 2010

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The No Child Left Behind Act is repealed.

3 **SECTION 2.** Students in public schools will be required to take a standardized test in
4 the subjects of English, mathematics, and science at the beginning and end
5 of each school year. The question bank shall be the same for both tests.
6 These two tests shall be used to measure student growth.

7 **SECTION 3.** Every four years, the question bank must be approved by the oversight
8 committee.

9 **SECTION 4.** Public schools must make growth statistics available to the general public.

10 **SECTION 5.** Public schools shall be required to factor student growth into teacher pay
11 scales.

12 **SECTION 6.** States in complete compliance with this act shall receive an additional \$2
13 million in education funding annually: a proportion of education funds
14 will be withheld from each state equal to the proportion of school districts
15 not in compliance with this act.

16 **SECTION 7.** A grant program shall be created for American children enrolling in
17 private schools. The oversight committee will make recommendations to
18 Congress on necessary appropriations prior to the drafting of the annual
19 budget.

20 **SECTION 8.** The Department of Education shall create the Academic Improvement
21 Committee (AIC): the AIC will distribute grant money, approve state test
22 question banks, enforce the rewards and penalties of section 6, and
23 provide any other necessary enforcement warranted under this act.

24 **SECTION 9.** States and school districts must comply with this act by the 2011-2012
25 school year.

26 **SECTION 10.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the Tarheel East District.



A Bill to Mandate the Labeling of Genetically Modified Organisms in Food Products

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All food or drink products made or shipped into the United States that use
3 genetically modified organisms (GMOs) must now clearly label their
4 products to indicate so.

5 **SECTION 2.** A genetically modified organism shall be defined as an organism which
6 has had its genes artificially manipulated in any way with the exception of
7 selective breeding.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Food and Drug Administration shall oversee the enforcement of this
9 law.

10 A. Any company found in violation of this law after it is implemented
11 will be fined \$500,000.

12 B. The FDA will use its current oversight force to enforce this legislation.

13 **SECTION 4.** This law shall go into effect on January 1, 2011.

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

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the Northern Ohio District.



A Resolution Amending the Constitution to Conditionally Change Voting Requirements

1 **WHEREAS,** The percentage of teens interested in politics continues to increase; and

2 **WHEREAS,** Teens interested usually possess a significant amount of knowledge
3 concerning a political issue and/or candidate; and

4 **WHEREAS,** Election cycles tend to generate more interest and enthusiasm with
5 younger voters and teens; and

6 **WHEREAS,** Only 102 million of the 198 million registered voters actually voted in
7 2008; and

8 **WHEREAS,** Allowing teens to take a more active role in elections would prepare them
9 for their future in our democratic republic; now, therefore, be it

10 **RESOLVED,** That upon approval of two-thirds of the chamber of this Congress here
11 assembled, the following Constitutional amendment be sent to the state
12 legislatures for approval:

13 SECTION 1: Teens ages 16 to 18 be allowed to vote in federal, state, and
14 local election(s) upon passing a test regarding the political
15 candidate(s) and/or issue(s) on the ballot.

16 SECTION 2: The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by
17 appropriate legislation.

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the East Oklahoma District.



A Bill to Eliminate the Penny

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Department of the Treasury shall discontinue funding,
3 equivalent to about 14.79 million dollars, to the United States Mint for the
4 purposes of producing pennies (one cent coins).

5 **SECTION 2.** The Treasury is directed to complete phase-out of the penny by July 1,
6 2015.

7 **SECTION 3.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the Pittsburgh District.



A Bill to Create a Neutral Internet System

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All current and future Internet providers are required to commit to a more
3 open Internet and required not to discriminate between traffic on their
4 networks.

5 **SECTION 2.** The term “open Internet” references the guidelines placed by the FCC in
6 2005.

7 **SECTION 3.** The enforcement of the bill will be overseen by the Federal
8 Communications Commission.

9 A. Consumers will not be limited in their access to lawful content on the
10 Internet regardless of host.

11 B. Application traffic access that is classified as lawful activity will not
12 be restricted by providers.

13 C. All legal and licensed devices will not be restricted in their ability to
14 communicate with a provider’s network, wireless or wired.

15 D. Full disclosure of information in relation to service plans and services
16 to the consumer is required.

17 E. Network maintenance procedures must be transparent and documented
18 in brief unless ruled otherwise by the FCC on a case-by-case basis.

19 F. ISPs not adhering to the law will be punished by fines and in the most
20 extreme cases, forced removal.

21 **SECTION 4.** This bill will be implemented upon passage.

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

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the Rushmore District.



A Resolution to Ban Landmines

1 **WHEREAS,** The United States Humanitarian Mine Action Strategic Plan reserves
2 assistance solely for countries that fall within U.S. strategic purview; and

3 **WHEREAS,** Landmines are a major cause of famine and violence throughout many
4 impoverished regions of the world; and

5 **WHEREAS,** Landmines prevent many refugees from returning to their homes after a
6 military conflict; and

7 **WHEREAS,** Landmines continue to indiscriminately maim and kill innocent civilians
8 for decades after serving their intended military purpose; and

9 **WHEREAS,** The United States has a moral obligation to address this international
10 humanitarian crisis; now, therefore, be it

11 **RESOLVED,** By the Student Congress here assembled that the United States ratify the
12 Ottawa Treaty.

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the Heart of Texas District.



A Bill to Mandate Electronic Ballistic Registration of Firearms

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All firearms must have an electronic ballistic image made of their gun
3 upon registration of the firearm, or get an electronic ballistic image made
4 of preexisting registered firearms they own.

5 **SECTION 2.** All persons found without an electronic ballistic image of their firearms
6 will lose the registration of their firearm and be subject to violations of
7 their state firearm registration laws.

8 **SECTION 3.** The department of Alcohol Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) will
9 oversee the electronic ballistic registry system and be responsible for
10 getting law enforcement access to the database in order to help firearm
11 related investigations.

12 **SECTION 4.** All persons who own firearms have until January 1, 2011 to register their
13 electronic ballistic image on guns they purchased before September 1,
14 2010, and all guns purchased after September 1, 2010 are subject to have
15 their electronic ballistic image made upon the registration of their firearm.

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

*Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the North Texas Longhorns
District.*



A Bill to Eliminate Sanctions Against Iran to Normalize Relations

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States federal government shall lift all economic sanctions
3 currently placed upon the country of Iran. Furthermore, Section 110.26 of
4 10 Code of Federal Relations shall include Iran on the list of countries,
5 which requires no specific nuclear export license.

6 **SECTION 2.** Sanctions lifted from Iran include those placed upon that country's
7 banking, aircraft, arms, nuclear technology, petroleum, and natural gas
8 industries. In addition, all Iranian assets frozen by the United States shall
9 be unfrozen.

10 **SECTION 3** The US Nuclear Regulatory Commission will oversee trade in nuclear
11 technology and materials.

12 **SECTION 4.** The United States Treasury Department will move to implement this bill
13 by August 1, 2010.

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

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the South Texas District.



A Resolution to Create Green Collar Jobs

- 1 **WHEREAS,** Unemployment levels are unusually high in the United States’
2 workforce with the majority of these workers seeking employment
3 in the secondary sector of the economy; and
4 **WHEREAS,** The green collar industry creates vertical and lateral economic
5 growth that will potentially employ millions in our country; and
6 **WHEREAS,** These green collar jobs not only help to provide a more stable and
7 substantial income, but benefit the environment as well; now, therefore, be
8 it
9 **RESOLVED,** That this Congress add additional funds from other sections of the TARP
10 Stimulus Fund to finance the creation of green collar infrastructure, grid
11 systems, and jobs.

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the Virginia District.



A Bill to Restructure Defense Spending

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The budgets of U.S. intelligence agencies shall be increased by a total sum
3 of 50 billion dollars in an effort to step up intelligence operations against
4 terrorists, and hostile, or potentially hostile nations. 15 billion will be
5 allocated to the CIA, and the other 35 billion will be allocated to the
6 Director of National Intelligence, to be allocated among all other
7 intelligence branches.

8 **SECTION 2.** Branches of Intelligence agencies to be eligible for these dollars are: the
9 Central Intelligence Agency, the National Security Agency, the National
10 Reconnaissance Office, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, the
11 Defense Intelligence Agency, the State Department's Bureau of
12 Intelligence and Research, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the
13 Department of Homeland Security and the Intelligence Departments of the
14 six Military Branches.

15 **SECTION 3.** The Congressional Budget Office (CBO) will oversee this Bill. The \$50
16 Billion necessary in this bill will be taken from the 6 branches of Military,
17 with special emphasis on Navy and Air Force programs. The CBO will
18 collaborate with the Military branches to determine which programs will
19 be cut to achieve these funds.

20 **SECTION 4.** Cuts will take place within 6 months of passage of this bill, with all cuts in
21 place in the FY2011 budget plan. Allocation of the 50 billion to
22 mentioned intelligence agencies will occur within 6 months of bill
23 passage.

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

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the Hole in the Wall District.



A Bill to Prohibit Development of Oil Shale

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** This bill, when enacted, will prohibit any further development of oil shale
3 industries anywhere in the United States. Businesses with existing
4 development of oil shale must cease all related activities..

5 **SECTION 2.** “Development” shall be defined as the extraction, processing, or
6 production of oil shale. “Oil shale” shall be defined as fine-grained
7 sedimentary rock containing large amounts of kerogen, which can be
8 chemically processed into hydrocarbons, and further into synthetic crude
9 oil.

10 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Department of the Interior will oversee the enactment of this
11 prohibition. The Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement
12 under the Land and Minerals Management of the Department of the
13 Interior will be tasked the inspection of mining sites for violations. In
14 cases of violations, the Department of the Interior will be responsible for
15 enforcing a penalty depending on the size and scope of the violation.

16 **SECTION 4.** All businesses will be required to cease all oil shale related activities
17 during a period of five years after enactment. If a business continues to
18 develop oil shale industries after five years, the U.S. Department of the
19 Interior will enforce a penalty. Penalties range from confiscation of lands
20 and equipment to a monetary fine.

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

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the Colorado District.



A Resolution to Urge the United States Government to make Pre-Implantation Genetic Diagnosis (PGD) Illegal

1 **WHEREAS,** Pre-Implantation Genetic Diagnosis allows parents to access genetic
2 conditions and physical characteristics of a fetus before implantation into
3 the mother; and

4 **WHEREAS,** Gender selection will lead to sexual discrimination, especially against
5 females, from the widespread use of this procedure and process; and

6 **WHEREAS,** Parents can essentially “create” their children by selecting gender, and
7 continually eye color, hair color, and skin tone; and

8 **WHEREAS,** Research now proves that parents could learn the sexual orientation of
9 their child through Pre-Implantation Genetic Diagnosis and abort fetuses
10 who are not of their parents preferred sexual orientation; and

11 **WHEREAS,** Wrongful abortion of fetuses with minor brain defects or physical
12 disabilities would be widespread with use of this procedure; and

13 **WHEREAS,** Testing for genetic conditions is still available with prenatal diagnosis,
14 excluding the chance to design or create your child’s genetic makeup;
15 now, therefore, be it

16 **RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled make the recommendation to make all
17 use of Pre-Implantation Genetic Diagnosis illegal in the United States to
18 preserve the individuality and personality in every child.

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the Rocky Mountain-North District.



A Bill to Create a Twelfth Circuit Court of Appeals

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The Ninth District Court of appeals shall be split into two, with California,
3 Guam, Hawaii, and the Northern Mariana Islands being retained in the
4 ninth district, and the Twelfth Circuit being composed of Alaska, Arizona,
5 Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, and Washington.

6 **SECTION 2.** The President shall appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the
7 Senate, 5 additional circuit judges for the new ninth circuit court of
8 appeals, whose official duty station shall be in California.

9 **SECTION 3.** Each circuit judge of the former ninth circuit who is in regular active
10 service and whose official duty station-
11 (1) is in California, Guam, Hawaii, or the Northern Mariana Islands shall
12 be a circuit judge of the new ninth circuit as of such effective date; and
13 (2) is in Alaska, Arizona, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, or
14 Washington shall be a circuit judge of the twelfth circuit as of such
15 effective date.

16 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go into effect 90 days after passage.

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

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the Florida Manatee District.



A Bill to Grant Amnesty to Undocumented Immigrants

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** All undocumented immigrants in the United States shall be given amnesty
3 for the crime of illegally emigrating to the United States. All immigrants
4 must report to an Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Center
5 where they will be documented and will receive a permanent residency
6 card.

7 **SECTION 2.** Immigrants will only be granted amnesty for entering the United States
8 illegally. All other crimes that may have been committed will be
9 prosecuted. Upon conviction of any other criminal offense, the permanent
10 residency card will be immediately revoked and the individual will be
11 subject to deportation.

12 **SECTION 3.** The documentation process will be overseen by ICE. The process will be
13 established by ICE to accommodate the volume of immigrants. Funding
14 will be taken from the normal operating budget of ICE.

15 **SECTION 4.** This bill will take effect upon passage.

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

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the West Kansas District.



A Bill to Abolish the Uniform Code of Military Justice

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The Uniform Code of Military Justice, 10 U.S.C. ch. 47, shall be
3 abolished.

4 **SECTION 2.** Crimes committed by service members formerly subject to the UCMJ
5 shall be prosecuted in federal civilian courts.

6 **SECTION 3.** Based upon the recommendations of the Judiciary and Department of
7 Justice, the US Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces shall establish
8 sufficient judicial districts to oversee criminal matters related to the
9 military. No overseas district may be created unless it is a division of a
10 district within the United States;

11 A. Non-criminal conduct offenses shall be dealt with by military policies
12 explicitly agreed to in service contracts;

13 B. Service members may make, free from reprisal, complaints regarding
14 criminal conduct or loss of property directly to the appropriate US
15 Attorney's office for investigation;

16 C. Service members shall enjoy equal constitutional protections as non-
17 service members excluding only actions which would jepordize
18 classified materials.

19 D. Upon motion, a service member deployed overseas shall be
20 transported back to the US to face charges and carry out punitive
21 sentences;

22 E. Courts may order adequate steps to prevent disclosure of sensitive
23 information to the public, including the screening of potential jurors.

24 **SECTION 4.** This legislation takes effect for non-deployed troops one year from
25 passage, and takes effect for deployed troops two years from passage.

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

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the Southern Wisconsin District.



A Resolution to Ratify the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) Treaty

1 **WHEREAS,** The United States recognizes the UNCLOS as a customary international
2 law, yet it has not ratified it; and

3 **WHEREAS,** The United States sets a dangerous precedent by saying that it will only
4 follow specific parts of a treaty; and

5 **WHEREAS,** Other nations during treaty meetings may follow the United States
6 example by only honoring certain parts of treaties causing disruption in
7 the global community; and

8 **WHEREAS,** The UNCLOS treaty has many environmental, economic, and diplomatic
9 benefits for the United States if ratified; now, therefore, be it

10 **RESOLVED,** by the Congress here assembled that the assembly ratify the United
11 Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) treaty.

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the Montana District.



A Resolution to Withdraw the United States from NATO

1 **WHEREAS**, Membership in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) is no
2 longer in the interest of the United States; and

3 **WHEREAS**, The collapse of the Soviet Union and the reunification of Germany
4 rendered NATO a purposeless and superfluous military alliance; and

5 **WHEREAS**, NATO incorporates weak states that do not augment the security of the
6 United States; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Article V of the North Atlantic Treaty mandates that the United States
8 protect those aforementioned states should they come under attack; and

9 **WHEREAS**, NATO's inclusion of former Soviet satellite states strains relations with
10 Russia and threatens to force the United States into conflict with a nuclear-
11 armed adversary; and

12 **WHEREAS**, The militaries of Western Europe are becoming smaller and increasingly
13 outmoded due to the reliance of member states on the protection afforded
14 by the United States in accordance with Article V; and

15 **WHEREAS**, American withdrawal from NATO will compel Europe to become
16 militarily independent and will extricate the United States from an alliance
17 that endangers, rather than strengthens, its national security; therefore, be
18 it

19 **RESOLVED**, That the United States withdraw its membership from NATO.

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the New York State District.



A Bill to Combat the Terrorist Threat in Yemen

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Twenty percent of all financial and intelligence-based resources currently
3 being allocated to the reconstruction of Afghanistan shall be reallocated to
4 intelligence operations and reconstruction efforts in the nation of Yemen.

5 **SECTION 2.** A. “Reconstruction” shall be defined as the creation of infrastructure, as
6 well as political and economic stability within a nation.

7 B. “Intelligence” shall be defined as per the Central Intelligence Agency
8 as the gathering of information relating to the capabilities, intentions, or
9 activities of foreign governments or elements thereof, foreign
10 organizations, or foreign persons.

11 **SECTION 3.** A. The Department of Defense, in conjunction with the National Security
12 Council in its entirety, shall oversee the intelligence efforts of this
13 legislation.

14 B. The Department of State shall oversee the reconstruction efforts of this
15 legislation.

16 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall be put into effect upon passage and shall be reviewed on a
17 monthly basis by the indicated organizations.

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

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the North Coast District.



A Bill to Return the Black Hills to Comply with Broken Treaties

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Federal Government will return jurisdiction over the
3 Black Hills to the appropriate Native American tribes.

4 **SECTION 2.** “The Black Hills” will refer to the lands outlined in the 1868 Treaty of
5 Fort Laramie.

6 **SECTION 3.** The transfer will be overseen and facilitated by the Bureau of Indian
7 Affairs.

8 A. The Bureau of Indian Affairs shall determine and provide ample
9 reparation for any financial loss suffered by individuals and
10 corporations as a result of the transfer.

11 B. The Native American Tribes may negotiate for the United States to
12 retain jurisdiction over certain areas of the Black Hills in exchange for
13 a monetary settlement.

14 **SECTION 4.** The Bureau of Indian Affairs shall work to gradually prepare the Native
15 American tribes to complete the final transition no later than January 1,
16 2015.

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

*Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the Northern South Dakota
District.*



A Bill to Curb Antibiotic Resistance

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The use of critical antimicrobial animal drugs for non-therapeutic
3 purposes will be banned in the United States.

4 **SECTION 2.** Amend Section 201 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21
5 U.S.C. 321) by adding the following [HR 1549]:

6 A. The term ‘critical antimicrobial animal drug’ means a drug that is:

- 7 1. intended for use in food-producing animals; and
- 8 2. is composed of any drug or derivative of a drug that is used in
9 humans or intended for use in humans to treat or prevent
10 disease or intended for use in humans to treat or prevent
11 disease or infection caused by microorganisms

12 B. The term ‘non-therapeutic use’ means the use of critical antimicrobial
13 drugs as an additive in feed and water consumed by animals in the
14 absence of clinical sign of disease, and is used to routinely promote
15 animal growth, weight gain, routine disease prevention, or any other
16 routine purpose.

17 **SECTION 3.** The Secretaries of Health and Human Services and the Department of
18 Agriculture will withdraw approval of the use of non-therapeutic drugs in
19 food producing animals within 2 years of enactment of this legislation.

20 A. The Secretaries are authorized to order inspections of any location in
21 which critical antimicrobial animal drugs are in use

22 B. If it is found that critical antimicrobial drugs are in use for non-
23 therapeutic purposes, the drugs will be confiscated and a minimum
24 fine of \$1000 will be issued to the owner(s) of the animals receiving
25 non-therapeutic treatment.

26 **SECTION 4.** The Secretaries will report to the Committee on Energy and Commerce of
27 the House of Representatives and the Committee on Health, Education,
28 Labor and Pensions of the Senate on their progress each year after
29 enactment of this legislation.

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

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the Central Texas District.



A Resolution Amending the Constitution to Grant the Executive Branch the Power of Line Item Veto

1 **WHEREAS,** The line item veto would enable Presidents to ensure that the federal
2 government is spending public resources as wisely as possible; and

3 **WHEREAS,** The line item veto would grant the President a valuable tool for
4 eliminating waste, unneeded laws, and pork-barrel spending in modern
5 legislation for the benefit of the United States; now, therefore, be it

6 **RESOLVED,** That upon approval of two-thirds of the chamber of this Congress here
7 assembled, the following Constitutional amendment be sent to the state
8 legislatures for approval:

9 SECTION 1: The President may approve any individual appropriation or
10 provision, and disapprove any other individual
11 appropriation or provision in the same appropriation bill. In
12 such case he shall, in signing the bill, designate the
13 appropriations and provisions vetoed; and shall return a
14 copy of such appropriations and provisions, with his
15 objections, to the House in which the bill shall have
16 originated; and the same proceedings shall then follow as in
17 case of other bills vetoed by the President.

18 SECTION 2: The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by
19 appropriate legislation, and, this article shall be inoperative
20 unless it shall have been ratified as an amendment to the
21 Constitution by the legislatures of three-fourths of the
22 several States within seven years from the date of its
23 submission.

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the Utah-Wasatch District.



A Resolution to Condemn Israel's Invasion and Blockade of The Gaza Strip

1 **WHEREAS,** The State of Israel continuously violates Palestinian human rights in Gaza
2 strip unabated; and

3 **WHEREAS,** In the recent attack on The Gaza strip by the IDF in the winter of 2008-
4 2009 killed approximately 906 civilians and wounded approximately
5 5,303, many of them children; and

6 **WHEREAS,** Deliberate targeting of civilians, use of chemical weapons on civilians and
7 the use of massively disproportionate force on a densely populated civilian
8 area is a violation of the 4th Geneva convention and is morally deplorable;
9 and

10 **WHEREAS,** The IDF attacks created a massive humanitarian crisis in The Gaza strip

11 **WHEREAS,** Israel to this day, continues to blockade virtually all foreign and UN aid to
12 Gaza with little justification; and

13 **WHEREAS,** The United States continues to support Israel's actions despite worldwide
14 and UN condemnation of the Gaza attacks and overwhelming evidence to
15 support said violations; now, therefore, be it

16 **RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled that the United States Congress and
17 President condemns the Israeli invasion of The Gaza Strip in 2008-2009;
18 and, be it

19 **FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the United States Congress and President call on Israel
20 to end the current blockade of aid to The Gaza Strip.

Introduced for the Sen. John C. Stennis National Congressional Debate by the Inland Empire District.