Congress Docket for FGCCFL 4

About the Docket

This docket consists of all satisfactory legislation submitted by the deadline. The order in which the legislation will be debated (calendar order) will be determined by each chamber during Preliminary Business, giving priority to authors present in the chamber. It is to legislators' advantage to prepare (individually or as a delegation) to debate <u>ALL</u> of the legislation on the docket.

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Wait, Where's My Legislation?

If you submitted legislation that does not appear on this docket, it was excluded because it was written without using the FGCCFL template and/or it was submitted in a format other than Microsoft Word. Legislators and coaches were given multiple reminders about the template/format requirements. If your legislation is rewritten using the templates, it may be considered at a future FGCCFL tournament.

Reminder: 2024-2025 Congress Changes

Revision 24.08 of the *FGCCFL Student Congress Manual* contains the following key changes from previous seasons' manuals:

- 1. There will be **three sessions, each two hours long**. PO service counts as the first two speeches of the session and is scored on two ballots. All POs will receive gavels.
- 2. All questioning periods will use "direct questioning," in which a questioner is recognized for 30 seconds and may ask multiple questions during that questioning period. You should review § 9 of the FGCCFL Student Congress Manual, especially if you plan to preside.
- 3. The PO may use her **phone as a timer** if it is silenced and in airplane mode.
- 4. New **standards for evidence**, citations, plagiarism, and the use of generative Al.

Good Luck and Happy Researching!

A Resolution to Improve the Quality of Public School Lunches

1	WHEREAS,	Public school lunches are currently highly processed and unhealthy; and
2	WHEREAS,	It is the responsibility of our society to ensure that students are eating healthy; and
3	WHEREAS,	Unhealthy eating habits cause health problems; and
4	WHEREAS,	Unhealthy eating habits as a student affect your eating habits for a lifetime; and
5	WHEREAS,	Providing better quality food for students will improve their future health and diet; and
6	WHEREAS,	Proper lunches show care and can improve student outcomes now, therefore, be it
7	RESOLVED,	That the Student Congress here assembled urges intentional action to provide fresh and
8		healthy lunches in public school cafeterias.

Respectfully submitted,

Zavier West Gibbs High School

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A Bill to Provide Universal Health-Care

1	BE IT ENACT	ED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2	SECTION 1.	The Department of Health and Human Services shall receive \$100 billion over 10 years
3		to fund a universal health-care program for all citizens and legal residents.
4	SECTION 2.	A. For all purposes of this bill, "universal health care" is defined as a system which
5		provides health services to all citizens and legal residents regardless of their income,
6		employment status, or health condition.
7		B. "Citizens and legal residents" are defined as individuals who are U.S. citizens by birth
8		or naturalization and non-citizens who have been granted lawful permanent residency in
9		the U.S.
10	SECTION 3.	A. The Department of Health and Human Services shall be responsible for enforcing the
11		provisions of this bill.
12		B. The program shall be partially funded by reallocating federal tax revenues and
13		introducing a new health tax on high-income earners (defined as individuals or
14		households earning over \$550,000 annually).
15		C. Non-compliance from states or medical providers that refuse to participate in the
16		program shall result in penalties, including but not limited to the withdrawal of federal
17		health-related funding.
18	SECTION 4.	The provisions of this bill shall take effect on January 1, 2025.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Hemish Mora Strawberry Crest High School

A Resolution to Enhance National Security and Counterterrorism Efforts

WHEREAS, The threat of terrorism, both domestically and internationally, poses significant risks to 1 2 national security and public safety; and Recent events have presented a greater need for enhancement of intelligence sharing and 3 WHEREAS, counterterrorism strategies; and 4 Radicalization and extremism can be countered within a community by educating and 5 WHEREAS, targeted prevention efforts; and 6 WHEREAS, Cybersecurity threats related to terrorism need urgent attention and safeguard important 7 infrastructure; and 8 The international community has the responsibility to ensure the respect of human rights; 9 WHEREAS, 10 and The United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy reaffirms the links between 11 WHEREAS, human rights and security, and places respect for the rule of law and human rights at the 12 core of national and international counter-terrorism efforts; now, therefore, be it 13 14 **RESOLVED.** That the Student Congress here assembled calls for the Department of Homeland Security to develop a comprehensive national strategy to address domestic terrorism and monitor 15 extremist groups. 16

Respectfully submitted,

Saadyiah Leff Carrollwood Day School

A Bill to Install a US Sanctuary District

1	BE IT ENACT	ED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2	SECTION 1.	The United States shall install a sanctuary district for illegal immigrants seeking asylum,
3		to lower crime rates in U.S. citizen cities and states and to protect immigrants from
4		deportation to an unsafe country.
5	SECTION 2.	A. As used herein, a "sanctuary district" is defined as a district of the United States that
6		has policies to protect undocumented immigrants by limiting cooperation with federal
7		immigration authorities.
8		B. As used herein, "asylum" is defined as an inviolable place of refuge and protection
9		giving shelter.
10	SECTION 3.	A. The Department of Homeland Security and the Department of Housing and Urban
11		Development shall be responsible for enforcing the provisions of this bill.
12		B. The departments will be granted 100 of the 632 miles of federal land on the Mexico-
13		U.S. border to carry out this bill.
14		C. The departments will have a budget of \$700 million to enforce and carry out the
15		provisions of this bill.
16		D. The immigrants will not be permitted to enter U.S. state grounds until a visa or
17		citizenship is obtained.
18		E. Laws and regulations of this district will be tailored to fit the needs of an economic
19		system.
20	SECTION 4.	The provisions of this bill shall take effect January 1, 2026.
21	SECTION 5.	All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

Calliope Kauffman Sarasota High School

A Resolution for the Admission of Puerto Rico as a State

1	WHEREAS,	The people of Puerto Rico have expressed their desire for statehood in multiple
2		referendums; and
3	WHEREAS,	Puerto Rico has been a territory under the jurisdiction of the United States since 1898, yet
4		its citizens are denied full representation in congress and lack the same rights as citizens
5		residing in states within the United States; and
6	WHEREAS,	The economy, education, healthcare and infrastructure of Puerto Rico would benefit from
7		the full resources and support of the federal government, which statehood would provide;
8		and
9	WHEREAS,	Statehood would grant Puerto Rico full participation in the democratic process, ensuring
10		Puerto Rican citizens have a voice in federal legislation that affects their lives; now,
11		therefore, be it
12	RESOLVED,	That the Student Congress here assembled calls for the admission of Puerto Rico as the
13		51st state of the United States, ensuring equal rights and representation for all of Puerto
14		Rico's citizens.

Respectfully submitted,

Carlos Bonilla Admiral Farragut Academy

A Bill to Restrict the General Public's Use of Generative AI Video Software

- 1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
- 2 **SECTION 1.** The general public will be prohibited from using generative AI video software.
- 3 **SECTION 2.** As used herein, "generative AI video software" is defined as any artificial intelligence
- 4 model that uses existing online data to create human-requested video content.
- 5 **SECTION 3.** A. The Department of Justice shall be responsible for enforcing the provisions of this bill.
- B. The Department of Justice's Cybercrime and Intellectual Property Section shall
- receive an allocation of \$500,000 to properly enforce this bill.
- 8 C. The punishment for developing AI video software shall be no less than 2 years in
- 9 prison and/or a fine of \$50,000.
- SECTION 4. The provisions of this bill shall take effect immediately upon passage.
- SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Brazel Jesuit High School

A Resolution to Reestablish the SDI Program

Tensions in the Middle East, Europe, and Asia are rising; and 1 WHEREAS, International adversaries with nuclear potential are gaining global influence; and 2 WHEREAS, 3 WHEREAS, The potential to defend against these weapons rather than merely promising retaliation is a more potent strategy for peacekeeping; and 4 Reenacting the Strategic Defense Initiative will provide a reliable defense from nuclear 5 WHEREAS, warfare and its devastation; therefore, be it 6 **RESOLVED,** That the Student Congress here assembled calls for the reevaluation and reestablishment 7 of the Strategic Defense Initiative of 1983. 8

Respectfully submitted,

Samuel Bonser Sarasota Military Academy

A Bill to Allocate Funding Towards Floating Photovoltaic Power

- 1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
- 2 **SECTION 1.** Funding shall be allocated towards researching and implementing the use of Floating
- 3 Photovoltaic Power.
- 4 **SECTION 2.** A. "Floating Photovoltaic Power" (hereinafter FPP) shall be defined as solar panel farms
- 5 that float on the surfaces of bodies of water generating energy and shading water sources.
- B. The research to be conducted pursuant to this bill shall be the investigation of less
- 7 expensive and more effective ways to utilize FPP.
- 8 **SECTION 3.** A. The Department of Energy shall be responsible for enforcing the provisions of this
- 9 bill.
- B. The Department shall receive an appropriation of \$51 million to be utilized for
- research into and use of FPP.
- SECTION 4. The provisions of this bill shall take effect on October 1, 2025.
- SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

Devin Escobedo Sarasota High School

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A Bill to Amend the Air Carrier Access Act to Regulate Mobility Device Handling

1	BE IT ENACT	ED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2	SECTION 1.	The Air Carrier Access Act of 1986 shall be amended to include regulations on the
3		handling of mobility devices used by disabled passengers.
4	SECTION 2.	A. As used herein, "mobility devices" will be defined as any artificial tool used for
5		locomotion by a disabled individual, including wheelchairs, battery powered wheelchairs,
6		walkers, canes, crutches, or braces.
7		B. The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) shall develop a standardized set of
8		guidelines that all airport staff must follow in order to ensure mobility devices are not
9		damaged or lost.
10	SECTION 3.	A. The Department of Transportation shall be responsible for enforcing the provisions of
11		this bill.
12		B. Any airline that is found to have violated these regulations will be subject to review by
13		the FAA's Office of Civil Rights and will be charged fines of up to \$125,000 depending
14		on the severity of the violation.
15		C. Any mobility device that a passenger reports to be broken, lost, or stolen, will be
16		compensated via replacement or financial aid by the airline.
17	SECTION 4.	The provisions of this bill shall take effect 6 months after its passage to ensure airlines
18		update their capacity to handle disabled passengers.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Light Sarasota High School

A Bill to Legalize the Necessary Use of Public Spaces

- 1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
- 2 **SECTION 1.** All open public spaces will be fully accessible for activities related to the general welfare
- of citizens regardless of housing status.
- 4 **SECTION 2.** A. As used herein, "open public spaces" refers to outside areas that are open for public
- 5 use, including, but not limited to, parks and streets.
- B. As used herein, "activities related to the general welfare" shall include sleeping,
- eating, drinking, seeking shelter, and other necessary activities.
- 8 **SECTION 3.** A. The Department of Justice shall be responsible for enforcing the provisions of this bill.
- B. All state jurisdictions in violation of enforcement for a duration of 90 days or more
- will face a 5% reduction in federal assistance for the fiscal year in which the violation
- took place.
- 12 **SECTION 4.** The provisions of this bill shall take effect immediately upon passage.
- SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

Savannah Anderson Southeast High School

A Resolution to Condemn the Chinese Communist Party's Genocide on the Uyghur People

WHEREAS, The Chinese Communist Party has been systematically eliminating the Uyghur People 1 and culture; and 2 3 WHEREAS, These abuses of human rights have been continually carried out for over a decade; and WHEREAS, This has resulted in the massive loss of the Uyghur culture, language, and people; and 4 WHEREAS, The Chinese government has refused to recognize these violations; and 5 6 WHEREAS, The Chinese government has refused to cease these violations; and 7 WHEREAS, The United States must appropriately condemn these abuses; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That the Student Congress here assembled calls for the condemnation of the genocide of 8 the Uyghur People by the Chinese Communist Party. 9

Respectfully submitted,

Ivan Dezelic Osceola Fundamental High School

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A Bill to Regulate the Use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Automation

1	BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:	
2	SECTION 1.	The Department of Commerce shall regulate the use of artificial intelligence (AI) and
3		automation in industries to prevent job displacement, ensure safety, and promote ethical
4		AI development.
5	SECTION 2.	A. As used herein, "artificial intelligence" refers to the development of computer systems
6		capable of performing tasks that typically require human intelligence, such as visual
7		perception, speech recognition, decision-making, and language translation.
8		B. As used herein "automation" refers to the use of technology to perform tasks without
9		human intervention, including manufacturing, service, and decision-making processes.
10		C. The regulation shall include mandates for companies to implement AI ethics
11		guidelines, to provide retraining programs for workers displaced by automation, and to
12		follow safety protocols for AI deployment in public and private sectors.
13	SECTION 3.	A. The Department of Commerce shall be responsible for enforcing the provisions of this
14		bill.
15		B. Enforcement shall include mandatory compliance checks, fines for violations of up to
16		\$500,000 per incident, and the creation of retraining programs by companies which laid
17		off workers due to AI and automation for those for workers.
18		C. An independent oversight board on AI Ethics shall be established to review
19		compliance with ethical standards and safety protocols.

The provisions of this bill shall take effect six months after passage.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Akshaj Katragunta Robinson High School

A Bill to Mandate Federal Inspection of Slaughterhouses

- 1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
- 2 **SECTION 1.** The Food and Drug Administration shall be given the authority to provide licensed,
- publicly trained and selected slaughterhouse inspectors, with slaughterhouses obligated to
- 4 provide fees to compensate these compliance inspectors for their time rather than hiring
- 5 private inspectors.
- 6 **SECTION 2.** A. Funds of \$5 million shall be shifted from public health campaigns to the training of
- 7 new inspectors prior to their active work in the field.
- B. Companies shall provide fees commensurate with those they are already paying for
- 9 private inspections, adjusted for inflation and inspector quality.
- SECTION 3. A. The Department of Health and Human Services shall be responsible for enforcing the
- provisions of this bill.
- B. Failure to comply with the provisions of this bill shall result in fines not less than
- \$100,000 against individual slaughterhouse facilities.
- SECTION 4. The provisions of this bill shall take effect on January 1, 2026.
- 15 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

Brinlee Vandendooren Sarasota Military Academy

A Resolution to Reduce Mandatory Minimum Sentencing for Non-Violent Offenses

- 1 WHEREAS, Mandatory minimum sentencing laws for non-violent offenses often result in lengthy
- 2 prison terms that do not match the severity of the crime; and
- 3 WHEREAS, These sentences contribute to overcrowded prisons and limit judicial discretion; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Federal and state spending only increases with more citizens becoming incarcerated for
- 5 longer periods of time; now, therefore, be it
- 6 **RESOLVED,** That the Student Congress here assembled calls for the reduction of time of mandatory
- 7 minimum sentencing for non-violent offenses.

Respectfully submitted,

Mahinur Mahi Hillsborough High School

A Bill to Mandate Social Interaction in Children

1	BE IT ENACT	ED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2	SECTION 1.	Children are required to interact with peers at or around their age if special circumstances
3		do not prevent it. Funding is to be provided to the Department of Education to give to
4		school counties to facilitate this.
5	SECTION 2.	A. "Regularly" is defined as once a week for at least 9 weeks in a row with one week of
6		leniency to allow for emergencies and flexibility. This is required three times a year. This
7		is to start when children reach kindergarten
8		B. "Interaction" is defined as being in an environment that allows children to interact
9		with peers around or at their age that are not family. This can be school, a library event,
10		or aftercare center, etc.
11		C. "Special circumstances" are defined as circumstances that prevent children from
12		having normal interactions, e.g. children with intellectual disabilities.
13	SECTION 3.	A. The Department of Education shall be responsible for enforcing the provisions of this
14		bill.
15		B. Attendance will be tracked with a system that nonpublic centers can apply to be a
16		place that counts towards the attendance tracker.
17		C. Public centers like libraries and schools will already be places that count towards the
18		attendance tracker.
19		D. Parents will be fined \$30,000 for each year this bill is not abided by.
20		E. Each year after the first violation is another \$30,000 on top of the original amount.
21	SECTION 4.	The provisions of this bill shall take effect one year after its passage.
22	SECTION 5.	All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
		Respectfully submitted,

Alex Sun Strawberry Crest High School

A Bill to Tax Foreign Real Estate Transactions to Protect Our Coastlines

- BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
- 2 **SECTION 1.** A tax of 2% shall be imposed on any foreign bank or foreign national affiliated real estate
- 3 transaction in the coastal United States.
- 4 **SECTION 2.** A. "Foreign banks" shall be defined as banking organizations headquartered outside of
- 5 the United States.
- B. A "foreign national" shall be defined as any citizen not holding legal US permanent
- 7 residence or legal immigrant status.
- 8 C. "Coastal states" shall be defined as those sharing any border with the Atlantic or
- 9 Pacific Ocean, or the Gulf of Mexico.
- SECTION 3. A. The Department of the Treasury and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
- shall be responsible for enforcing the provisions of this bill.
- B. The tax will be 2% of the value of the transaction, added to the EPA budget with an
- earmark for coastal replenishment projects.
- SECTION 4. The provisions of this bill shall take effect on January 1, 2026.
- 15 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

Leah Trotter Sarasota Military Academy