

2008 NCFL Final Legislation #1

A Bill to Reform the Presidential Primary System

- 1 Article I: Be It Enacted the current system of selecting delegates to national
2 presidential nominating conventions shall be reformed according to the laws
3 enumerated herein.
- 4 Article II: The primary reform plan known as the “American Plan” shall be adopted.
- 5 Article III: The primary schedule shall consist of ten two-week intervals during which
6 States shall hold their primaries; the first interval shall not commence before
7 February 15th of the election year.
- 8 Article IV: States shall be grouped according to the number of combined
9 Congressional districts: the first interval shall include States with a
10 combined total of eight Congressional districts; later intervals shall be
11 staggered to maintain fairness to larger States.
- 12 Article V: Nothing in this bill shall be construed as requiring a State to hold a
13 primary or caucus for the selection of delegates to a national presidential
14 nominating convention.
- 15 Article VI: This legislation shall apply with respect to any primary or caucus held in
16 connection with a general election in the year 2012 and each election year
17 thereafter.
- 18 Article VII: Any and all existing state or federal laws conflicting with this legislation
19 shall be considered null and void.

A Resolution Concerning Universal Health Care

1. Whereas: The United States is the only major industrialization nation without
2. universal healthcare; and,
3. Whereas: Government investment in the healthcare system is an important
4. investment in our nation's prosperity; and,
5. Whereas: Private healthcare coverage has proven unable to meet necessary standards
6. and reasonable costs.
7. Therefore: Be it resolved by this Student Congress here assembled that: The United
8. States government work in partnership with the private healthcare system
9. to create a single-payer, universal healthcare system that will cover all
10. Americans.

A Resolution to Make the Truth Convenient

1. Whereas: The G8 World Summit was conducted to put restraints on air polluting
2. nations, and
3. Whereas: Nations have agreed to reduce the amount of pollutants they produce by
4. half within fifty years, and
5. Whereas: There is raging scientific debate as to whether the theory of Global
6. Warming exists; therefore,
7. Be it resolved by this Student Congress here assembled that the United States shall
8. conduct a forum of all countries to decide whether the issue of Global
9. Warming is indeed a real threat.

A Resolution to Regulate Lobbying

1. WHEREAS: Lobbying shall be defined as any and all attempts to influence
2. legislators and officials, whether by other legislators or organized groups, and;
3. WHEREAS: Such campaigning may cause the candidate to be “bought” by the
4. group performing the lobbying, and;
5. WHEREAS: This eats away at the integrity of the democratic process, thus
6. affecting the people's trust of the legislative system, and;
7. WHEREAS: Contributions by lobbyists for election campaigns may cause misuse
8. of money by the candidates for personal use, and;
9. WHEREAS: It is anti-democratic to have certain people or groups that have
10. greater influence on the candidate because of large contributions, and;
11. WHEREAS: Our representatives are spending more time raising funds and less
12. time running the government.
13. THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE
14. ASSEMBLED THAT: All donations, gifts and meetings of candidates with
15. lobbyists should be made known to the public, and that a limit of \$2,500 be
16. placed on any and all incentives, gifts, and donations to a candidate from any
17. lobbyist/special interest group.

A Resolution to Ban the Use of Private Military Companies in Iraq and Afghanistan

1. **WHEREAS,** The use of private military companies (PMCs) during operations in Iraq
2. and Afghanistan undermines the efforts of the United State's War on Terror and creates
3. breaches in accountability; and
4. **WHEREAS,** This abdication of military responsibility has risen dramatically in recent
5. years (the Department of Defense increasing contracting by 78% between 1996 and 2006
6. while the State Department has quadrupled spending on security and law enforcement
7. contracting since 2000); and
8. **WHEREAS,** Lack of government oversight of PMCs has resulted in corruption, abusive
9. behavior, and excessive risk-taking that endangers both civilians and military personnel; and
10. **WHEREAS,** Because PMCs are private entities, they operate without public oversight,
11. and may be difficult to control or hold accountable for offenses committed abroad; and
12. **WHEREAS** Government accountability is also limited though the use of PMCs, as
13. congressional oversight can be skirted in the creation of private contracts; and
14. **WHEREAS** There exists no empirical evidence to support the claim that PMCs allow
15. the government to operate military actions more cost effectively; and
16. **WHEREAS** Indeed, PMCs operate in a market nearly devoid of competition, and many
17. government contracts have been awarded on a no bid basis; and
18. **WHEREAS** Continued use of PMCs endangers U.S. troops in Iraq by fueling
19. resentment amongst Iraqi civilians against the U.S. presence; and
20. **WHEREAS** PMCs often have distinct priorities that conflict with the overall objects of
21. the U.S. government; now, therefore, be it
22. **RESOLVED,** By the Student Congress here assembled that: only Federal Government
23. Personnel be recommended to provide security services on any United States diplomatic or
24. consular mission in Iraq or Afghanistan.

GIFTED EDUCATION REFORM ACT

1. Be it enacted by the NCFL Student Congress here assembled that:
2. **Article I:** Federal Funding for Gifted and Talented Education programs be raised in
3. to a level nearly equal to federal funding for Special Education programs,
4. as determined by the administering body.
5. **Article II:** A. Criteria for acceptance into Gifted and Talented Education programs
6. will be determined on the State and Local level, but they must at
7. minimum meet the criteria set forth in the Javits Gifted and Talented
8. Education Act, which is the following.
9. B. Children and youth with outstanding talent [who] perform or show the
10. potential for performing at remarkably high levels of accomplishment
11. when compared with others of their age, experience, or environment.
12. **Article III:** This Bill will go into effect within 2 calendar years of its passage,
13. and Funds for this bill will be procured by repealing the Bush Tax Cuts
14. for those whose annual income is above \$500,000.
15. **Article IV:** The Department of Education will be responsible with administering the
16. provisions of this bill, with the exception of procurement of funds, which
17. will be handled by the Internal Revenue Service and the Department of
18. the Treasury.
19. **Article V:** All laws in conflict with the provisions of this bill will be declared null
20. and void upon its passage.

A Bill to Manage Credit

BE IT ENACTED THAT:

1. **Section One**

2. Any state which fails to pass laws within eighteen (18) months
3. to cap the interest rates on credit cards at percent (10%) above prime
4. shall have ten percent (10%) of it's federally shared funds held in
5. Escrow until that state complies.

6. **Section Two**

7. The provisions of this bill shall be supervised by the U.S. Treasury
8. Department.

9. **Section Three**

10. All laws or sections of laws in conflict with this legislation are
11. declared null and void