



# EQUALITY IN FORENSICS

## Overview

There will be 3 sessions of congress: 2 prelims on Thursday (the 28th), 1 final round on Friday (the 29th).

Each round of congress will have 3 bills. The chamber may nominate a docket determining in which order those 3 bills will be debated for the session.

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## **Prelim Round 1**

## A Bill to Urbanize and Suburbanize the Solar Power Industry

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** Congress shall levy a 10% tax on the annual revenue produced through the  
2 operation of solar farms in rural areas, and funds raised through this tax  
3 shall be diverted to a fund operated by the Department of Energy to create  
4 and run a program that incentivizes and subsidizes the construction of solar  
5 arrays in non-rural areas over commercial parking lots.

6 **SECTION 2.** A solar farm, also known as a photovoltaic power station, is defined as a  
7 site utilizing at least one acre of land area to host solar panels that produce  
8 electricity and supply power for public utilities. This legislation utilizes the  
9 Department of Agriculture's definition of rural: "rural areas consist of open  
10 countryside with population densities less than 500 people per square mile  
11 and places with fewer than 2,500 people."

12 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall be jointly overseen by the Department of Energy and  
13 the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

14 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect at the start of the next fiscal year.

15 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.  
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# A Bill to Provide Aid to Laos for the Removal of Faulty Explosive Ordinances

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** The United States Government shall provide aid in the form of training,  
2 supplies, and the wages of foreign bomb defusing personnel to Laos for the  
3 removal of faulty explosive ordinances leftover from the Vietnam War.

4 **SECTION 2.** A) Faulty explosive ordinances shall be defined as ballistic devices that  
5 failed to detonate on impact, or ballistic devices that have not yet been  
6 detonated.

7 B) Supplies will be defined as the equipment needed to defuse the faulty  
8 explosive ordinances, and the equipment needed to train the bomb  
9 defusing personnel.

10 **SECTION 3.** The Department of State shall oversee the implementation of this  
11 legislation, and an extra 15 billion dollars will be allocated to the annual  
12 budget of the Department of State, from the Department of Defense's  
13 budget, and will be withdrawn annually, until the expiration date of this  
14 legislation.

15 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will come into effect on January 1st, 2025 and will expire in  
16 2035.

17 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.  
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## A Bill to Aid Myanmar

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall hereby donate and deliver \$500 million in  
2 humanitarian aid to the citizens of Myanmar through Myanmar’s maritime  
3 border with Indonesia. US troops will be allotted as necessary to deliver  
4 the aid to USAID representatives at the border.

5 **SECTION 2.** Humanitarian aid shall consist of a combination of agricultural supplication,  
6 temporary housing, bottled water, and medical supplies, including but not  
7 limited to; vaccines and first aid equipment.

8 **SECTION 3.** The US Department of State in conjunction with USAID will be responsible  
9 for the implementation and oversight of this bill.

10 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be implemented immediately upon passage.

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

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## **Prelim Round 2**

# A Bill to Promote Development of the Geothermal Energy Sector in Indonesia

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** For each of the next five years, Congress shall deliver \$500 million to the  
2 Republic of Indonesia to support the development of that nation’s  
3 enormous capacity for renewable geothermal energy production.

4 **SECTION 2.** A 0.5% increase on the annual revenue of the U.S. fossil fuel industry shall  
5 be levied to offset the cost of this legislation.

6 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall be jointly overseen by the Agency for International  
7 Development (USAID) and the Department of Energy (DOE), with the  
8 exception of Section 2, which shall be overseen by the Internal Revenue  
9 Service (IRS).

10 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect at the start of the next fiscal year.

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

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## A Bill to Eliminate Single-Family Zoning Mandates

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** All mandatory single-family zoning laws are hereby illegal. All municipalities  
2 must allow additional housing unit proposals for a single plot of land.

3 Municipalities will be encouraged by the Department of Housing and  
4 Urban Development to implement mixed-use zoning and general  
5 residential zoning practices that allow for all forms of residential housing

6 **SECTION 2.** Single-family zoning is defined as a form of exclusionary zoning that  
7 explicitly or effectively prohibits any other residential housing except for  
8 detached, single-family homes.

9 **SECTION 3.** This legislation shall be overseen by the Department of Housing and Urban  
10 Development (HUD)

11 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on November 1, 2024.

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

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# A Bill to Increase Passenger Rail Capacity for Short- and Medium-Distance Travel

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** Congress shall appropriate the Department of Transportation \$10 Billion to  
2 support Amtrak’s “Vision for Improving Transportation Across America”  
3 through focusing on short- and medium-distance train and rail  
4 infrastructure. Congress shall also appropriate \$10 Billion for state-level  
5 grants to coordinate rail infrastructure improvements and upgrades.

6 **SECTION 2.** Funds shall be used to repair, restore, or build new tracks and related  
7 infrastructure. Funds shall be used to restore or build new train cars to help  
8 support the increase in rail service.

9 **SECTION 3.** Tracks that are upgraded, modified, built, or otherwise created for use for  
10 passenger-rail services under the “Vision for Improving Transportation  
11 Across America” plan shall be co-owned by Amtrak and the state that the  
12 track is located in. Passenger rail service shall be given right of way  
13 throughout all sections of this track.

14 **SECTION 4.** Upon project completion, airlines flying between city pairs where intercity  
15 rail travel is possible within 400 miles shall be levied a tax of \$20 for each  
16 available seat on the plane. Private jet travel shall pay \$1,000 per landing  
17 for travel between two cities that would otherwise be possible between  
18 intercity rail service.

19 **SECTION 5.** This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2024.

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

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## **Finals**

## A Bill to Increase Counterterrorism Efforts in Somalia

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** The United States federal government shall officially increase  
2 counterterrorism efforts in Somalia.
- 3 **SECTION 2.** Counterterrorism efforts shall include bottom-stabilization efforts with the  
4 Somali military
- 5 **SECTION 3.** The United States Department of State will oversee the implementation of  
6 this legislation.
- 7 A. 1000 more troops will be deployed to Somalia in addition to the 450  
8 military personnel already there.
- 9 B. 250 million USD will be sent to cover costs such as soldier salaries,  
10 military equipment, food, and fuel.
- 11 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1st, 2025.
- 12 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.  
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# A Bill to Defund Public Libraries that Censor Books

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** Congress shall cease the federal funding of any library that is open to the  
2 public and receives federal funding that practices book and online resource  
3 censorship.
- 4 **SECTION 2.** Censorship shall be defined as the removal of books from public access on  
5 the basis that the content is related to race, religion, gender identity, sexual  
6 orientation or sexual identity.
- 7 **SECTION 3.** This bill shall be enforced by the United States Government Publishing  
8 Office.
- 9 **SECTION 4.** This bill shall go into effect on January 25, 2024.
- 10 **SECTION 5.** All other laws in conflict with this bill shall be null and void.

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## A Bill to Implement a Universal Basic Income

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** A cash payment of \$500 shall be made to every American citizen of at least  
2 18 years of age every 6 months.

3 **SECTION 2.** The funds for the Universal Basic Income program will come from a  
4 Value-Added Tax of 5%

5 **SECTION 3.** Every five years the amount of money given out will be revised to remain  
6 proportional to inflation.

7 **SECTION 4.** The United States Department of Health & Human Services will oversee the  
8 implementation of this bill.

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

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