

2009 NFL Virginia State Championship Congress Legislation



The docket has been set for the NFL State Championship Tournament along the following lines:

- 1) Each school may only submit two pieces of legislation. Those pieces submitted over that number were disregarded.
- 2) The Docket is set according the earlier date of submission, cycling through the Domestic-International-Economic areas.
- 3) Special Resolution #1 has been designated for those special contributing members to speak upon at the Alice's Restaurant NFL Virginia Congress Masacree

Chambers shall be set as Open, as Extemp Draw begins one half hour before the close of each session. Extempers are not forced to leave to prepare for draw, but are strongly encouraged to leave no later than 10 minutes before the end of session.

As students are ranked according to their best three speeches, according to the judges' and parliamentarian's score, the key of ranking well is to speak well as many times as possible. Therefore, we strongly discourage suspension of the rules to extend questioning, as each student has 1 minute of mandatory questioning following each speech. We also discourage adjustment of the docket, as much as possible, as such adjustment takes away from time for each student to speak.

Docket:

Special Resolution #1
Resolution #, D, 01, 05, 04, 11
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Resolution #, D, 01, 12, 04, 25
Resolution #, I, 01, 16, 01, 00
Resolution #, D, 01, 16, 05, 00
Resolution #, D, 01, 01, 01, 00

Tournament:

VaFL States/ NFL Qualifiers... Fri./Sat., Jan. 23/24... University of Virginia

Legislation:

Special Resolution # 01

Title:

A Resolution Regarding the NFL Virginia Congress

Whereas, the NFL Virginia District is the largest in the history of the National Forensic League, holding nearly 90 schools – well four-times the national average,

Whereas, the NFL Virginia District not only produces national champions and always represents itself well on the national circuit,

Whereas, the leadership, coaches, and students in the NFL Virginia District work well cooperatively to build up the best in the State so that all may succeed,

Therefore, the NFL Virginia District resolves – through the help of our sacrifice and contributing members – to send an unprecedented number of four representative on to NFL Nationals in Birmingham, Alabama.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Rev. B.A. Gregg, 2009 NFL District Chair

Tournament: VaFL States/ NFL Qualifiers... Fri./Sat., Jan. 23/24... University of Virginia
Legislation: Resolution #, D, 01, 05, 04, 11
Title: A Resolution Regarding Auto Bailouts

L01 _____: Whereas: the federal government has passed legislation to
L02 _____: assist GM motors in a \$6 billion auto bailout, and
L03 _____: Whereas: There is a need for more vehicles that run on
L04 _____: alternative fuels, and
L05 _____: Whereas: A market monopoly of alternative fuels in the US
L06 _____: would benefit us economically.
L07 _____: Therefore: Let it be resolved by this student congress here
L08 _____: assembled that GM be required to spend at least 50%
L09 _____: of its budget toward the production of alternative fuel
L10 _____: powered vehicles.

Respectfully_submitted_by:
School_: Sherando High School
Date: 05 Jan 2009
Time: 13:16:02

Tournament: VaFL States/ NFL Qualifiers... Fri./Sat., Jan. 23/24... University of Virginia
Legislation: Resolution #, I, 01, 05, 04, 22
Title: A Resolution Regarding Somali Pirates

L01: Whereas: The Somali pirates are affecting the stability
L02: of the region,
L03: Whereas: The continuation of the pirate attacks will
L04: adversely affect the price of goods,
L05: Whereas: If stronger action is not taken, then the
L06: piracy will expand into other regions,
L07: THERFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE STUDENT
L08: CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT: The United
L09: States provide additional aid to Somalia with naval
L10: forces and weapons in the destruction of the Somali pirate
L11: ships.

Respectfully_submitted_by:
School_: Sherando High School
Date: 05 Jan 2009
Time: 13:23:39

Tournament: VaFL States/ NFL Qualifiers... Fri./Sat., Jan. 23/24... University of Virginia

Legislation: Bill #, D, 01, 06, 04, 30

Title: Universal Health Care Modeled After the French System

L01: Article I: The United States will implement a universal
L02: health care plan modeled after the French system of health
L03: care.
L04: Article II: This universal health care package will ensure
L05: that EVERY American has health care coverage
L06: Article III: This coverage shall be paid for by the
L07: employer, employee, and primarily income tax.
L08: Article IV: This plan will come in effect no later than
L09: January 1, 2010 after it has been thoroughly vetted and
L10: developed.
L11: Article V: The U.S. Department of Health & Human Services
L12: shall oversee the implementation and administration of this
L13: universal health care plan.
L14: Article VI: All laws in conflict with this bill will hereby
L15: be declared null and void.

Respectfully_submitted_by: Senator Allison Romine

School_: Broadway High School

Date: 06 Jan 2009

Time: 13:41:15

Tournament: VaFL States/ NFL Qualifiers... Fri./Sat., Jan. 23/24... University of Virginia

Legislation: Resolution #, I, 01, 08, 04, 48

Title: Diplomatic meetings

L01: Whereas, the United States previously used military as a

L02: method of foreign relations

L03: Whereas, the United States did not make it a point to

L04: discuss controversial issues with other foreign nations

L05: Whereas, the current administration did not listen to the

L06: advice of some their top experts of foreign affairs

L07: Therefore, the United States should have 2 meetings a

L08: months to discuss their current diplomatic developments

Respectfully_submitted_by: Josephine Appiah

School_ : Atlee High School

Date: 08 Jan 2009

Time: 13:49:38

Tournament: VaFL States/ NFL Qualifiers... Fri./Sat., Jan. 23/24... University of Virginia
Legislation: Resolution #, E, 01, 08, 04, 52
Title: Fair Tax

L01: Whereas the current tax system is long and confusing; and
L02:
L03: Whereas the Fair Tax would increase investing; and
L04:
L05: Whereas the Fair Tax would increase government revenue;
L06:
L07: Therefore, be it resolved by this here assembled student
L08: congress that the United States implement the Fair Tax.

Respectfully_submitted_by: Michael Allen
School_ : Atlee High School
Date: 08 Jan 2009
Time: 13:50:19

Tournament: VaFL States/ NFL Qualifiers... Fri./Sat., Jan. 23/24... University of Virginia
Legislation: Resolution #, D, 01, 09, 01, 14
Title: Resolution For the Banning of Embryonic Stem Cell Research

L01: WHEREAS: the use of embryonic stem cells in scientific
L02: research is unethical and defies the code of morals which
L03: has been valued by our nation since its inception; and
L04: WHEREAS: other cells such as skin cells have proven to be
L05: just as useful as embryonic stem cells when used in
L06: scientific research; and
L07: WHEREAS: an embryo is defined as an organism in its early
L08: stages of development, according to American Heritage;
L09: THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by this student congress
L10: here assembled, that the development of research on
L11: embryonic stem cells be stopped at once to prevent further
L12: destruction of life.

Respectfully_submitted_by: Senator Jennifer Coleman
School_: Wilson Memorial High School
Date: 09 Jan 2009
Time: 10:14:16

Tournament: VaFL States/ NFL Qualifiers... Fri./Sat., Jan. 23/24... University of Virginia
Legislation: Resolution #, D, 01, 09, 02, 31
Title: Resolution Supporting the Legalization of Same-Sex Marriage

L01: Whereas: Homosexuality in no way interferes with the
L02: citizenship of a person;
L03: Whereas: Citizens have the right to lawful unions with the
L04: individual of their choice; and
L05: Whereas: same-sex unions preserve these rights while at no
L06: time interfering with the rights of others.
L07: Therefore: Be it resolved by this Student Congress here
L08: assembled that: we will strongly support the legalization
L09: of same-sex marriage in the United States and
L10: will not settle for same-sex civil union.

Respectfully_submitted_by: Alexa McDorman
School_: Wilson Memorial High School
Date: 09 Jan 2009
Time: 11:30:59

Tournament: VaFL States/ NFL Qualifiers... Fri./Sat., Jan. 23/24... University of Virginia
Legislation: Bill #, E, 01, 09, 02, 42
Title: Tax Breaks for Non-Public School Families

L01: Article I: Parents who choose to provide a private or
L02: homeschool education for their child will receive a
L03: tax break.
L04:
L05: Article II: These parents are currently paying for
L06: government resources they are not receiving.
L07:
L08: Article III: This bill will take effect the next
L09: school year.
L10:
L11: Article IV: The Internal Revenue Service in
L12: conjunction with the Department of Education
L13: will oversee the implementation of this bill.
L14:
L15: Article V: All laws in conflict with this bill will hereby
L16: be declared null and void.

Respectfully_submitted_by: Senator Tyler Phillips
School_: Fresta Valley Christian School
Date: 09 Jan 2009
Time: 11:50:31

Tournament: VaFL States/ NFL Qualifiers... Fri./Sat., Jan. 23/24... University of Virginia
Legislation: Resolution #, I, 01, 09, 02, 52
Title: Condemnation of Hamas

L01: Whereas: Hamas is currently firing rockets into Israel; and
L02: Whereas: Hamas has broken a ceasefire agreement in
L03: effect with Israel; and
L04: Whereas: Innocent Israeli and Palestinian civilians are
L05: losing their lives in this conflict; and
L06: Whereas: we should support Israel and our allies in the war
L07: on terror.
L08: Therefore, let it be resolved by this Student Congress here
L09: assembled that: we call for the condemnation of Hamas.

Respectfully_submitted_by: Senator Kelsey Graling
School_: Fresta Valley Christian School
Date: 09 Jan 2009
Time: 11:58:17

Tournament: VaFL States/ NFL Qualifiers... Fri./Sat., Jan. 23/24... University of Virginia
Legislation: Resolution #, D, 01, 01, 01, 00
Title: A Resolution to Create Green Collar Jobs

L01: Whereas: The United States has reached its highest
L02: unemployment rate since 1974 with 533,000 jobs lost in
L03: November alone, and;
L04:
L05: Whereas: The current economic recession is only going to
L06: worsen as a result of an increase in unemployment, and;
L07:
L08: Whereas: Stimulating green collar sectors is an effective
L09: way to reduce unemployment, and;
L10:
L11: Therefore: Be it resolved by the Student Congress here
L12: assembled that the United States establish a market for
L13: green collar jobs

Respectfully_submitted_by: Senator Chrissy Ching
School_: West Springfield High School
Date: 09 Jan 2009
Time: 20:18:51

Tournament: VaFL States/ NFL Qualifiers... Fri./Sat., Jan. 23/24... University of Virginia
Legislation: Resolution #, D, 01, 09, 11, 19
Title: A Resolution to Create Green Collar Jobs

L01: Whereas: The United States has reached its highest
L02: unemployment rate since 1974 with 533,000 jobs lost in
L03: November alone, and;
L04:
L05: Whereas: The current economic recession is only going to
L06: worsen as a result of an increase in unemployment, and;
L07:
L08: Whereas: Stimulating green collar sectors is an effective
L09: way to reduce unemployment, and;
L10:
L11: Therefore: Be it resolved by the Student Congress here
L12: assembled that the United States establish a market for
L13: green collar jobs

Respectfully_submitted_by: Senator Chrissy Ching
School_: West Springfield High School
Date: 09 Jan 2009
Time: 20:19:47

Tournament: VaFL States/ NFL Qualifiers... Fri./Sat., Jan. 23/24... University of Virginia
Legislation: Resolution #, D, 01, 11, 03, 00
Title: A Resolution to Repeal the Don't Ask, Don't Tell Policy

L01: Whereas, the United States currently maintains a policy that
L02: limits acceptance based on sexual orientation in the
L03: military, and
L04: Whereas, this policy undermines efforts to provide equal
L05: civil rights for all Americans regardless of individual
L06: characteristics and further has significant costs for the
L07: United States military, and
L08: Whereas, such expensive and frivolous policy is harmful to
L09: the United States in a time of war when the help of any
L10: soldier will aid the American war effort, and
L11: Whereas, the expense incurred in the training of new
L12: soldiers is increasingly detrimental as the United States
L13: faces economic decline, and
L14: Whereas, a governmental policy of institutionalized
L15: discrimination is against the tenets of American democracy.
L16: Be it Resolved, by this student-congress here-assembled that
L17: the United States repeal the Don't Ask, Don't Tell Policy.

Respectfully_submitted_by:
School_: Blacksburg High School
Date: 10 Jan 2009
Time: 12:02:33

Tournament: VaFL States/ NFL Qualifiers... Fri./Sat., Jan. 23/24... University of Virginia
Legislation: Resolution #, I, 01, 11, 03, 11
Title: A Resolution to Repeal the Embargo on Cuba

L01: Whereas, the United States maintains an outdated embargo on
L02: Cuba no longer relevant since the conclusion of the Cold
L03: War, and
L04: Whereas, this embargo, which prevents us from trading with
L05: with Cuba, has no benefit to the US economy, and further
L06: alienates our potential Latin American trading partners who
L07: look to Cuba as the root of their socialist policies, and
L08: Whereas, the United States will need the support of resource
L09: wealthy Latin American nations to maintain and rebuild our
L10: own economy. And such Latin American countries which have
L11: recently proven hostile to United States interests undermine
L12: our national security, and
L13: Whereas, the United States can regain the support of Latin
L14: American countries by reopening relations with the root of
L15: the socialist movement in Cuba, and
L16: Whereas, repealing the embargo will open new markets for
L17: ailing American businesses.
L18: Be it Resolved, by the Student Congress here-assembled that
L19: the United States repeal the embargo on Cuba.

Respectfully submitted by:
School: Blacksburg High School
Date: 10 Jan 2009
Time: 12:11:28

Tournament: VaFL States/ NFL Qualifiers... Fri./Sat., Jan. 23/24... University of Virginia
Legislation: Resolution #, D, 01, 12, 04, 25
Title: A Resolution to Outlaw Strip Mining

L01: Whereas the National Forest Service was created to preserve
L02: the land and serve the people.
L03: Whereas it is failing in that capacity.
L04: Whereas strip mining is destroying ecosystems and polluting
L05: streams
L06: Whereas strip mining is making some of the most beautiful
L07: areas in the country desolate wastelands
L08: Therefore let it be resolved by this student congress that
L09: strip mining be outlawed in all National Forest areas.

Respectfully_submitted_by: Lucy Parks
School_: Turner Ashby High School
Date: 12 Jan 2009
Time: 13:25:32

Tournament: VaFL States/ NFL Qualifiers... Fri./Sat., Jan. 23/24... University of Virginia
Legislation: Resolution #, E, 01, 14, 10, 41
Title: Economic Stimulus Fund

L01: Whereas: the current economic situation is bad and our
L02: economy is getting worse every day, and
L03: Whereas: billions of interest bearing accounts receive
L04: compounded interest at least once a year, and
L05: Whereas: billions of fractions of cents are lost monthly
L06: when interests are calculated,
L07: Therefore: be it resolved that those billions of fractions
L08: of pennies be sent to an economic stimulus fund to help
L09: boost certain sectors of our economy.

Respectfully_submitted_by: Michael McCoy
School_: Turner Ashby High School
Date: 14 Jan 2009
Time: 07:43:00

Tournament: VaFL States/ NFL Qualifiers... Fri./Sat., Jan. 23/24... University of Virginia

Legislation: Bill #, E, 01, 16, 01, 00

Title: A bill for the abolishment of rent control

L01: BE IT ENACTED by the student congress here established that

L02: Section 1: Rent control will be abolished in the U. S.

L03: Section 2: Whereas price controls cause shortages of goods

L04: and services and rent control causes housing shortages;

L05: Section 3: Whereas rent control leads to dilapidated housing

L06: and tendency of landlords to not fix tenements;

L07: Section 4: Whereas cities with rent control have higher

L08: rates of homelessness

L09: Section 5: Therefore rent control will be abolished in the

L10: United States as of January 1, 2010

Respectfully_submitted_by: Luke Hagele

School_: Salem

Date: 16 Jan 2009

Time: 11:36:20

Tournament: VaFL States/ NFL Qualifiers... Fri./Sat., Jan. 23/24... University of Virginia

Legislation: Resolution #, I, 01, 16, 01, 00

Title: A resolution to end foreign aid to Uganda and Rwanda

L01: Whereas: Uganda and Rwanda are receiving hundreds of
L02: millions of dollars in foreign aid from developed countries
L03: and organizations;
L04: Whereas: Uganda and Rwanda finance rebel groups in
L05: northeastern Congo causing death and destruction of
L06: innocent people;
L07: Therefore, be it resolved that this student congress support
L08: United Nations actions to cut all foreign aid until support
L09: for rebel groups ends

Respectfully_submitted_by: Jerrel Ledbetter

School_: Salem High

Date: 16 Jan 2009

Time: 11:52:52

Tournament: VaFL States/ NFL Qualifiers... Fri./Sat., Jan. 23/24... University of Virginia
Legislation: Resolution #, D, 01, 16, 05, 00
Title: Resolution to Urge Further Action on Immigration Policy

L01: Whereas, there are approximately 12 million illegal
L02: immigrants in the US
L03: Whereas, approximately 1.4 million work full-time jobs
L04: and pay taxes
L05: Whereas, these people that are, on balance,
L06: having a positive impact on American society are being
L07: denied the possible benefits of legal status due to
L08: shortcomings in our current policies.
L09: Therefore,
L10: Resolved, by the student congress here assembled that
L11: illegal immigrants who have been gainfully employed and have
L12: paid taxes consecutively for a period of 20 years or more
L13: should be extended a pathway to legal status.

Respectfully_submitted_by: Sandra Sanchez
School_: Potomac Senior HS
Date: 16 Jan 2009
Time: 14:46:00