The Central Bucks High School East World Affairs Club welcomes you to the annual Model Congress simulation, which will be held on November 28, 2018.

Participating students are responsible for writing and presenting a credible bill that is reflective of their representative's political philosophy and the committee to which he/she belongs; additionally, the bill should address an issue of contemporary national or international importance and be appropriate for open discussion in a school setting. Bills deemed to be inappropriate in nature will be excluded from the simulation.

Participating students are also expected to dress for the occasion, wearing business attire typical of members of Congress. Female students should wear knee-length skirts or slacks, a blouse, and dress shoes, while male students should wear slacks, dress shirts, ties (jacket optional), and dress shoes. Jeans, flip flops, and other similar attire are considered unacceptable.

Please review this list of representatives that will be used in this simulation and use the sample bill as a guide for creation of your own, following the same format, but not content in the paragraph. Your club advisor will assist you with any questions or concerns. More information about your representative can be found at <a href="https://www.house.gov">www.house.gov</a>.

To cover the cost of the Aramark-provided breakfast, students are asked to pay a small fee of \$7. Students may bring their own lunch or purchase a meal through the East cafeteria. If they choose to buy lunch, please tell your advisor by Friday, November 16 so our cafeteria can plan accordingly. If you are planning to buy lunch, be sure to have adequate cash available for this.

Your bills are to be emailed to <u>cbeastmodelcongress@gmail.com</u> by Friday, November 16. Please have your bill indicate (in the subject line or message) the committee to which the bill will be referred.

Thank you in advance for your assistance. Feel contact your World Affairs Club advisor with any questions or concerns.

The tentative schedule of events is as follows:

Registration and breakfast (small end of cafeteria)—7:45-8:50
Committee meetings (library and LGI)—8:55-11:23
Lunch (small end of cafeteria)—11:23-11:53
Full congressional session (auditorium)—12:00-2:00
Dismissal—2:00

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# \*\*SAMPLE BILL\*\*

Central Bucks School District Model Congress
114<sup>th</sup> Congress (2<sup>nd</sup> session) H.R. #7420

In the House of Representatives

December 2, 2016

Representative Mike D. Bishop introduced the following bill, which was referred to the Education and Workforce Committee.

## A Bill

To reduce the ability to decide how education is to be conducted to the state level to allow more specified conditions and the advancement of the standard student, all students should also have the option to have a first-class education which can be achieved through the reinstatement of the Higher Education Act to expedite the typical student's ability to repay student debt.

BE IT ENACTED by the House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

# Section 1. The Expedition of Tax Payment Act (ETPA)

The Expedition of Tax Payment Act (ETPA) will streamline the process of paying taxes. The Act intends to reduce loopholes in tax evasion. Along with this, tax cuts will be applied as well to reduce the strain of taxes on the middle-class family. This Act will also decrease student loan rates, to a point where it is viable to be payed off within 5 years after the graduation of college.

The enacted tax cuts on those out of college will scale with yearly income similarly to the way in which income tax functions. For example, a person making \$30,000 out of college will have a tax cut of 35% for the 5 years, and a person making \$60,000 will have a tax cut of 15%. The tax cut will go no lower than 10%.

# Section 2. Eligibility

All college graduates will be given a minimum tax cut of 10% for the first five years after their graduation. Every United States citizen would be applicable for the major portion of the act with nationwide tax cuts, and a more efficient method of tax payments.

## Section 3. Administration

The dictation of the Act will be required on a state level to adapt to previously existing taxes that are unique to each state. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) would oversee regulation on a national scale, including the settling of discrepancies on a state level. Each person involved in the college related tax cuts would be required to submit a form stating their yearly salary and sum of their college loans to their state government. Their tax deductions would then fall into groups greater than 10 % in increments of 5%. The tax deduction would become no greater than a total of 40%.

# Section 4. Penalties for Noncompliance

If a student is to be denied entrance to a college for any reason, then said institution will be subject to increased taxes on their revenue until the previously mentioned student is accepted or reimbursed for the denial.

The tax collected will be used to fund the encompassing state's government, decreasing taxes.

If the state refuses to the tax cuts, then it will be burdened with a tax to provide money to the federal government.

## Section 5. Effective Date

This bill will take effect 1 year after passage.

# \*\*SAMPLE BILL\*\*

# Components

Section 1 should represent the proposed idea as one name.

Section 2 should describe who or what groups are eligible for this bill's effects

Section 3 should specify who will oversee the bill's completion

Section 4 should outline repercussions for noncompliance

Section 5 is merely the official date that the bill will take effect, should hold some significance or reason.

Committee Name	Committee Description	Chair
Education and the Workforce	A standing committee of the U.S.  House of Representatives, the Education and the Workforce Committee's purpose is to ensure that Americans' needs are addressed so that students and workers may move forward in a changing school system and a competitive global economy.	East
Ways and Means	The Committee on Ways and Means is the chief tax-writing committee of the U.S. House of Representatives. The Committee has jurisdiction over all taxation, tariffs, and other revenue-raising measures, as well as programs such as Social Security and Medicare.	South
Armed Services	A standing committee of the U.S. House of Representatives, the House Armed Services Committee is responsible for funding and oversight of the Department of Defense (DOD) and the United States armed forces, as well as substantial portions of the Department of Energy.	West

# **High School Representatives:**

## Education and the Workforce Committee

### **East:**

Chairman: John Kline (R), Minnesota
Ranking Member: Robert C. "Bobby" Scott (D), California
Rick Allen (R), Georgia
Carlos Curbelo (R), Florida
Elise Stefanik (R), New York
Alma S. Adams (D), North Carolina
Mark DeSaulnier (D), California

#### South:

Dave Brat (R), Virginia
Bradley Byrne (R), Alabama
Joseph J. Heck (R), Nevada
Luke Messer (R), Indiana
Suzanne Bonamici (D), Oregon
Marc Pocan (D), Wisconsin
Frederica S. Wilson (D), Florida

### West:

Buddy Carter (R), Georgia
Mike D. Bishop (R), Michigan
Glenn Grothman (R), Wisconsin
Steve Russell (R), Oklahoma
Katherine M. Clark (D), Massachusetts
Hakeem S. Jeffries (D), New York
Mark Takano (D), California

# Committee on Ways and Means

#### East:

George Holding (R), North Carolina
Pat Meehan (R), Pennsylvania
Kristi Noem (R), South Dakota
Jim Renacci (R), Ohio
Joseph Crowley (D), New York
Ron Kind (D), Wisconsin
Bill Pascrell (D), New Jersey

#### South:

Chairman: Kevin Brady (R), Texas
Ranking Member: Sander Levin (D), Michigan
Bob Dold (R), Illinois
Tom Rice (R), South Carolina
Jason Smith (R), Missouri
Danny Davis (D), Illinois
Linda Sanchez (D), California

### West:

Dianne Black (R), Tennessee Mike Kelly (R), Pennsylvania Tom Reed (R), New York Todd Young (R), Indiana Earl Blumenauer (D), Oregon John Larson (D), Connecticut

Mike Thompson (D), California

## **Armed Services Committee**

### East:

Jim Bridenstine (R), Oklahoma
Mo Brooks (R), Alabama
Paul Cook (R), California
Bradley Byrne (R), Alabama
Elise Stefanik (R), New York
Brad R. Wenstrup (R), Ohio
Tulsi Gabbard (D), Hawaii
Ruben Gallego (D), Arizona
Donald Norcross (D), New Jersey
Beto O'Rourke (D), Texas
Jimmy Panetta (D), California

#### South:

Mike Coffman (R), Colorado
Duncan Hunter (R), California
Steve Russell (R), Oklahoma
Vicky Hartzler (R), Missouri
Austin Scott (R), Georgia
Robert J. Wittman (R), Virginia
Thomas Suozzi (D), New York
Joe Courtney (D), Connecticut
Ro Khanna (D), California

# Jackie Speier (D), California Marc A. Veasey (D), Texas

## West:

Chairman: Mac Thornberry (R), Texas
Ranking Member: Adam Smith (D), Washington
Sam Graves (R), Missouri
Stephen Knight (R), California
Scott DesJarlais (R), Tennessee
Martha McSally (R), Arizona
Ralph Abraham (R), Louisiana
Colleen Hanabusa (D), Hawaii
Carol Shea-Porter (D), New Hampshire
Jacky Rosen (D), Nevada
Seth Moulton (D), Massachusetts

# **Middle School Representatives:**

# Education and the Workforce Committee

## **Holicong:**

Virginia Foxx (R), North Carolina Joe Wilson (R), South Carolina Raul M. Grijalva (D), Arizona

## Lenape:

Duncan Hunter (R), California David P. Roe (R), Tennessee Joe Courtney (D), Connecticut

#### **Tamanend:**

Lou Barletta (R), Pennsylvania Todd Rokita (R), Indiana Susan A. Davis (D), California Gregorio Sablan (D), Northern Mariana Islands

### **Tohickon:**

Brett Guthrie (R), Kentucky Matt Salmon (R), Arizona Ruben Hinojosa (D), Texas Jared Polis (D), Colorado

## **Unami:**

Glenn Thompson (R), Pennsylvania Tim Walberg (R), Michigan Marcia L. Fudge (D), Ohio

# Committee on Ways and Means

### **Holicong:**

Lynn Jenkins (R), Kansas Erik Paulsen (R), Minnesota Kenny Marchant (R), Texas Lloyd Doggett (D), Texas

## Lenape:

Charles Boustany (R), Louisiana Dave Reichert (R), Washington Pat Tiberi (R), Ohio John Lewis (D), Georgia

### **Tamanend:**

Vern Buchanan (R), Florida Adrian Smith (R), Nebraska Xavier Becerra (D), California

### **Tohickon:**

Tom Price (R), Georgia Peter Roskam (R), Illinois Richard Neal (D), Massachusetts

### **Unami:**

Sam Johnson (R), Texas Devin Nunes (R), California Jim McDermott (D), Washington Charles Rangel (D), New York

# **Armed Services Committee**

### **Holicong:**

Mike Rogers (R), Alabama Michael R. Turner (R), Ohio James R. Langevin (D), Rhode Island Rick Larsen (D), Washington

## **Lenape:**

Trent Franks (R), Arizona Bill Shuster (R), Pennsylvania Madeleine Z. Bordallo (D), Guam Jim Cooper (D), Tennessee

### **Tamanend:**

Rob Bishop (R), Utah Frank A. LoBiondo (R), New Jersey Robert A. Brady (D), Pennsylvania

## **Tohickon:**

J. Randy Forbes (R), Virginia Walter B. Jones (R), North Carolina Jeff Miller (R), Florida Loretta Sanchez (D), California

## **Unami:**

K. Michael Conaway (R), Texas Doug Lamborn (R), Colorado John Garamendi (D), California Niki Tsongas (D), Massachusetts

Assignments by School (as of 10/15/18)