

A Bill to Recognize Water Access as a Human Right

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:

2. **Section 1** Access to safe and affordable drinking water shall be
3. recognized as a legal right for all people within the United
4. States.

5. **Section 2** Water utilities may not shut off service to households
6. due to nonpayment if doing so would leave residents without
7. access to safe drinking water.

8. **Section 3** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will enforce
9. this law and work with state agencies to provide emergency
10. funding for water access.

11. **Section 4** This legislation will take effect on July 1, 2026.

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

14. Introduced for Congressional Debate by NOF.

A Bill to Require Deposit Systems for Plastic Bottles

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED:
2. **Section 1** All plastic beverage bottles sold in the United States
3. must include a refundable deposit of at least 10 cents.
4. **Section 2** Consumers will receive their deposit back when bottles
5. are returned for recycling.
6. **Section 3** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will enforce
7. this law. Stores that do not collect deposits or provide refunds
8. will face fines of \$1,000 per violation.
9. **Section 4** This legislation will take effect on July 1, 2026.
10. **Section 5** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby
11. declared null and void.
12. Introduced for Congressional Debate by NOF

A Resolution to Limit Outdoor Holiday Lights

1. **WHEREAS**, Outdoor holiday light displays use large amounts of
2. electricity and increase energy costs; and
3. **WHEREAS**, Bright light displays can cause light pollution that
4. disrupts wildlife and sleep patterns for neighbors; and
5. **WHEREAS**, Families should still be allowed to celebrate holidays,
6. but in ways that are more sustainable; now, therefore, be it
7. **RESOLVED**, That the Congress here assembled encourage limits on the
8. amount of electricity and time outdoor holiday lights may be used.
9. Introduced for Congressional Debate by NOF