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# BILL FORMAT GUIDE

#### For BILLS - PLEASE USE MICROSOFT WORD

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S.B. (CAPS and Centered)

To redeem the freedoms to those wrongly accused of a crime.

IN THE SENATE OF ALA GIRLS NATION (All CAPS and centered)

July 2023 (centered)

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE SENATE OF ALA GIRLS NATION ASSEMBLED. (Italics, CAPS, period at the cod)

SECTION 1. TITLE

This act may be cited as the "Exonerated Rights Renewal Act."

SECTION 2. PURPOSE

The Exonerated Rights Renewal Act will assist the wrongly accused with life after exoneration.

SECTION 3. DEFINITIONS.

Rights pertain to all constitutional rights the citizen possessed prior to the faulty accusation. An exonerated citizen is one who was convicted of a crime and then later proved innocent.

SECTION 4. EXONERATED RIGHTS RENEWAL ACT

The Exonerated Rights Renewal Act entails that:

- (A) The wrongly determined court's associated body of government will provide:
  - Exonerated citizens with funding until employed however for no longer than 18 months.
    - (a) Funding would be the equivalent of Social Services determined need for survival
  - (2) Up to three years of counseling for exonerated citizens.
- (B) If the citizen is serving concurrent sentences for multiple charges and only one charge is exonerated then the time they formerly spent serving will count towards another sentence.
- (C) The federal government will provide loan services to those who demonstrate proficient need.
- (D) This act applies to all court convictions.
- (E) This act requires all arrangements to be completed prior to release.

#### SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This act shall be effective for all citizens of the United States wrongly accused of a crime on or after January 1, 2024.

### **Margins**

- Top/Bottom Margins = 1 in
- Left Margin = 1.5 in
- Right Margin = 1 in

#### **Font**

- Times New Roman
- Size 12

## Length

Limit your bill to one page.

## **Saving and Submitting**

- Save as BILL \_\_\_ 25

  Replace the underlined space with your state's initials. Use ALL
  CAPS. Examples: BILL CA 25 BILL TX 25 BILL KY 25
- E-mail a copy of the Bill to ALA Girls Nation
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Later on (in Section 1), you will give your bill a simpler title that will be used to refer to your bill. For example, the simplified title of this bill is the "Exonerated Rights Renewal Act."

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## **SECTION 1. TITLE**

This section begins your actual legislation. In the header of the bill, you created the full title that summarized what your bill would do. In Section 1, you will create a shorter title that you actually want your bill to be called. Sometimes legislators choose to create a title that is able to be converted into an acronym, but this is not required. Replace only the highlighted portion with your title and keep all wording, capitalization and punctuation in this section the same.

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## **SECTION 2. PURPOSE**

This section outlines the purpose of your bill. What are the goals of your bill? What problem is your bill intended to solve? What are the desired outcomes? Why does this bill matter? These are examples of items you might choose to address in this section. This section should be approximately 1-3 sentences in length.

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# **SECTION 3. DEFINITIONS**

In this section, you will define the key terminology that is essential to the understanding of your bill. You will only define terms that you have included in your bill's language. Create a new line for each term. Replace the highlighted portion with your essential vocabulary. One to five terms is recommended, however if you find yourself running out of space in other sections of your bill, it is recommended that you eliminate any non-essential definitions.

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# **SECTION 4.**

This section is the actual law making part of your bill. Here you will outline the specific actions your bill will take. Who will be affected? Is there a timeline? Will a new or existing agency be used for regulation? What new resources will be needed? Where will they come from? Who will have access to them? These are examples of items you might choose to address in this section. Replace the highlighted portion with your title and keep all wording, capitalization and punctuation in the first two lines the same.

When formatting Section 4, you will use a tiered alphanumeric outline to organize your information. This will likely be the longest section of your bill.

All bills should be as close to one page as possible. This means that you may be asked to trim portions of your bill for the sake of space.

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# RES. FORMAT GUIDE

#### For RESOLUTIONS - PLEASE USE MICROSOFT WORD

78th ALA Girls Nation Congress 2025

S.R. (CAPS and Centered)

Expressing the sense of the Senate that imported goods and their manufacturers are in need of effective regulation to ensure protection of both citizens and domestic businesses.

#### IN THE SENATE OF ALA GIRLS NATION (All CAPS and Centered)

July 2023 (Centered)

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Senators Doe and Smith of Indiana submitted the following resolution.

#### RESOLUTION (All CAPS, Bold, and Centered)

Expressing the sense of the Senate that imported goods and their manufacturers are in need of effective regulation to ensure protection of both citizens and domestic businesses. (Note: You repeat the top sentence as shown here.)

Whereas the United States requires domestic companies to provide adequate wages, labor standards, and product safety; (Use "Whereas" as the opening word for each point. End each point with a semi-colon except the last one)

Whereas manufacturers in other countries are not required to meet the same standards; therefore allowing such businesses to produce goods at a significantly lower cost, giving these businesses an advantage in the American market;

Whereas it is in the interest of the Senate to prevent the outsourcing of jobs while keeping citizens safe: NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, (Use a Colon at the end of the last "Whereas" sentence and the above phrase & punctuation as shown here)

- That goods exported to the U.S. must meet or exceed the safety requirements of domestic companies.
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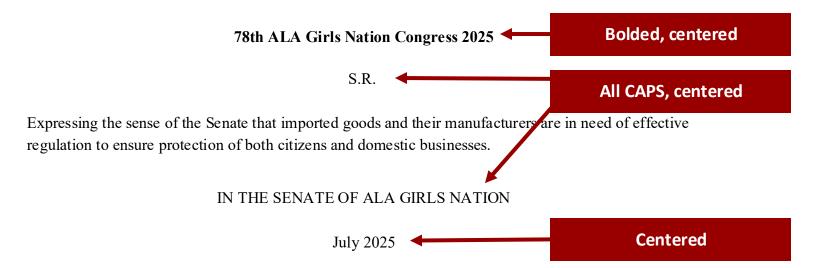
- Save as RES \_\_\_ 25

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## **CLAUSES**

Each clause will start with whereas and end with a **semicolon**. The final clause will end with a colon. Leave an empty line between each new clause. Resolutions are often used to express the feelings, opinions, stances, and policies of the Senate Chamber, Think of the clauses as the specific reasons why the Senate feels a need to express their stance on an issue or policy. For the sake of space, 3-5 clauses are recommended.

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## **BE IT RESOLVED**

Keep all wording, punctuation, and capitalization in the highlighted portion the same. In this section, you will list the policy change, opinion, or stance of the Senate on the issue. This section should neatly reflect back to the "Expressing the sense of the Senate" portion you created earlier, as demonstrated in this sample. Each sentence in the list should be numbered as shown and end with a period.