**Mock Congress Preparation**

**Please follow the outline below when drafting you bill. Email your bill to** **Austin.Rooks@gscs.org** **when you are finished!**

**Title of Bill: (**Introduces the bill and catches the attention of other legislators. A tax-cutting bill, for example, was named the "American Dream Restoration Act," and who would vote to leave a child behind? Words that bring an emotional response often get more support.)

**Article I:** Detailed description of what you are proposing. After reading this article the class should have a good understanding of what your bill is about.

**Article II:** Why is this bill necessary? What statistics, details, stories, etc. support the idea that this bill is needed? This is where your research should be apparent.

**Article III:** What costs will be associated with this bill and how do you intend for these costs to be covered? Will the law generate money or will tax dollars be needed? If your bill provides funds or services to a particular group, describe who will be eligible to receive those funds or services.

**Article IV:** What changes will take place if this bill is passed into law? What are the benefits of passing this law?

**Article V:** When will this law go into effect if it is passed? Will your bill be for a specific amount of time (tax bills often are) or until something else occurs? Is this enough time for the public to be made aware of the law and to prepare for the changes? Will the government be ready to enforce it?

**Article VI:** Brief conclusion recapping your main points.

Signatures: