

**KENTUCKY UNITED NATIONS ASSEMBLY  
OFFICIAL PROPOSAL**

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Proposal #: **6**

Assignment: **F**

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Country: **Belize**

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Title: **An act to increase the quality of potable water in Belize.**

BE IT HEREBY ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS

Justification Clause: Belize is the home to the largest barrier reef in the Western Hemisphere; second largest in the world. Areas of concern are from sedimentation, agriculture chemical run-off, coastal development, tourism and over fishing. These are the same issues that are decreasing the quality of fresh water in Belize making 63% of their potable water unsuitable for healthy drinking. By protecting the fresh water we will also be protecting the diversity of life that lives in the coral reef just off the coast of Belize.

Section I: In order to fix the quality of potable water in Belize the UN would need to support the law providing a fee for the act of polluting the waterways of Belize. The fee amount would be 4% of the company or persons income. Another way to act upon the change of water quality would be to educate the population and companies in Belize on what pollution does and how to prevent and fix it.

Section II: The funding and support of these actions will be provided by UN-HABITAT which is made specifically for helping countries increase the quality in their potable water.

Section III: The UN-HABITAT Water and Sanitation Trust fund would also help support our educational sessions on water; being one of their main purposes.

Section IV: In the act of doing this we will also be helping out other UN countries who have the same issues as Belize by, raising awareness and showing that if this improves the water quality in Belize, then it will take effect in other countries.

Section V: This proposal will be put into effect on January 1, 2014.