## KENTUCKY UNITED NATIONS ASSEMBLY OFFICIAL PROPOSAL

Proposal #: 64

Assignment:

Country: Switzerland

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Title: An act to decrease pollution in Switzerland by awareness training in educational programs.

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

Justification Clause: Switzerland maintains its ecosystem vitality and environmental health through balancing biodiversity and habitat protection. But the air and water pollutions are causative agents to damage its biodiversity and harm various habitats. Acid rain especially makes destruction on Switzerland's progress. Because of the acidification soil, fertility reduces. The lowering of soil and water pH due to acid rain makes the soil useless for crop production. Acid rain precipitation disrupts Switzerland soil ecosystem and its nutrient balance. These acidic condition kills river and lack planktons and fishes. Plants and insects are more sensitive to acidic water and may die off soon with its acidic effects. Since acid rain contains high levels of sulfur dioxide and/or nitrogen oxide. It damages farming land at the local mountain area. Acid rain is the leading cause of grass land destruction in Switzerland next to soil erosion by rain water. Milk production is indirectly depends on grass land in Switzerland. Cows are unable to gain weight to yield milk if acid rain continues to degrade the green land at the rural areas. Reducing air and soil pollution is crucial to stop the acid rain. Educating local immigrants, their children and native Swiss people is essential for reducing air and soil pollution. Therefore awareness training and education should be given to all these children and their parents.

Section I: This proposal being put into action will decrease the air, water and soil pollution by educating children at the age group of 10 to 14. A specialized learning curriculum about pollution that environmentalists will be trained in can be later taught to students, so that they understand the severity of pollution and how it is affecting their society today.

Section II: Environmental Performance Index (EPI) helps learn about a country's current position on environmental issues happens in a10 year's period (2000 to 2010). Switzerland is the top on EPI list, and Latvia, Norway, Luxembourg, and Costa Rica round out the top five positions in the 2012 EPI, which ranks 132 countries based on 22 indicators across ten major policy categories including air and water pollution, climate change, biodiversity, and forest management. Awareness and education are necessary to improve the soil fertility. In order to promote an awareness campaign, money must be appropriated.

Section III: The proposal will go into effect immediately upon passage.