

# The Colonize Mars Act

**Section 1:** NASA will work with private companies to create a Mars Colonization Program.

**Section 2:** The following clarifications will be provided:

- A. Over the course of the next ten years, \$20 billion annually will be delegated to the Mars Colonization Program.
- B. The program will be named the "Athena Program."
- C. Companies who participate in the Athena Program will be eligible to receive tax breaks, grants and other incentives.

**Section 3:** NASA will work in conjunction with the United States Military to oversee the private-public partnerships and implementation of this legislation.

**Section 4:** This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2018.

**Section 5:** All laws in conflict are hereby declared null and void.

*This legislation is proudly introduced for debate by East Ridge High School.*