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I was part of the bonny eagle robotics team from 2015 to 2019 and am now a mentor of said team, during my 4 years on the team there was two points in time where we didn't have the funding necessary for us to continue with the season despite us constantly fundraising, in the 2016/2017 school year we as a team qualified but we're unable to go to worlds, and in the 2018/2019 school year we were only able to send 6 students out of the 35 we had that year due to not being able to afford to go, and then the from 2022-2025 we've qualified but haven't been able to go to all the competitions within the season and as of now are struggling to replace failing hardware due to our lack of funds. Im unsure about a few of those previous years but I know that if LD1740 were a thing this year we would have been able to send all of the students to all of the competitions as well as had hotel rooms at every competition and not only have hotel rooms for the one competition in Massachusetts, as well as replacing the failing electronics. The FIRST robotics program is beneficial to both students and adults that are part of it because it teaches a lot of fundamentals to electrical engineering, CAD, coding, and cooperation as in every part of robotics you cooperate with other teams which are from all over the world, as well as working as a team building the robot and really everything else that comes with it.