

Bill drafting exercise

Note to instructor.

Every student submits at least one substantial piece of legislation by a specified date so that the legislature has things to work on. This is a group active learning activity that is designed to get students thinking about the challenges of developing effective legislation.

This assignment assumes that all of the students in a group (we recommend 3-4 students) have read about the same contemporary problem in advance (e.g. assigned as homework).

The problem should be something that students do not need to research, but not something so familiar that the solution is obvious to them (e.g. gun violence).

The New York Times often has articles highlighting societal problems. Here's an example (<http://nyti.ms/2e6xJb6>)

[Young Adolescents as Likely to Die From Suicide as From Traffic Accidents](http://nyti.ms/2e6xJb6)

