**Research for a Congressional bill Team\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Research topic from the Issues 2012 text.- Summary of the chapter**

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| **Who:** |
| **What:** |
| **When:** |
| **Where:** |
| **Why / How:** |

**Research topic at:** Pro / Con - <http://www.procon.org/>

1. Narrow the focus for your issue.

2. Summarize the positions on your issue

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**Research previous bills on the issue at:**

Library of Congress: <http://thomas.loc.gov/home/LegislativeData.php?&n=BillText>

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**Four media sites** (e.g. CNN / Fox, New York Times, Christian Science Monitor, Democracy Now, ABC/NBC/etc). to find additional information on the issue. For each article, (a) include the author, source, date , URL (b) and a summarize key information.

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Article 2:

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Article 3:

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Article 4:

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**Components of your bill:**

If you are a House member, summarize the process:

House of Representatives: <http://www.house.gov/content/learn/legislative_process/>

If you are a Senate member, summarize the process:

U.S. Senate: <http://www.senate.gov/legislative/common/briefing/Senate_legislative_process.htm>

Process

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Locate **2 interest groups** who have a stake in the outcome of your bill:

**Interest Groups** - <http://www.opensecrets.org/industries/index.php>

**Project Vote Smart**: <http://votesmart.org/interest-groups#.URtxw1pNY78>

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| Name of Group | Focus Area | Initially, I notice… |
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