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7TH GRADE MODEL CONGRESS HELPFUL WEBSITES FOR TAKING A STAND ON AN ISSUE

[Almanac of Policy Issues](#)
Background information, archived documents and links are provided on major U.S. public policy issues.

[Balanced Politics](#)
A website dedicated to balanced, non-partisan discussion of important societal issues.

[Congress](#)
Go to Thomas (legislative information on the internet). Type in your chosen issue. Information is given about bills currently being considered in the House and Senate.

[International Debate Education Association](#)
Click on "deatabase" on the left hand side of the screen to search pros and cons on many controversial issues. Type in keywords to search or click to list topics by theme or click to view complete topic index.

[National Issues](#)
Click on an issue related to your topic.

[ProCon.org](#)
This website portrays controversial issues in a nonpartisan pro and con format.

[Public Agenda Online](#)
This non-profit research organization provides reporting on public opinion on major news events and public policy issues.

[Schoolhouse Rock: I'm Just a Bill](#)
This video clip explains the process of how a bill becomes a law.

[Speak Out](#)
Type in your chosen issue. Pros, cons and background are given.

ONLINE SERVICES

[Issues and Controversies](#) **See Mrs. Golub for userID and password information**
Offers a comprehensive look at the pros and cons of current and past issues. Over eight hundred topics are explored related to business, politics, government, education, popular culture and much more.

[Gale](#) **See Mrs. Golub for userID and password information**
Over 900 national and international newspapers are featured to search. 28 New York State newspapers are included, which have access to articles from The New York Times, The New York Post and The Wall Street Journal. Also searchable in this database are the Business and Company Resource Center, Twayne Authors Series, National Newspaper Index and Gale Opposing Viewpoints in Context. This collection of Gale databases is being provided this year free of charge to school and public libraries in New York State.

* For Model Congress assignment, search *Gale Opposing Viewpoints in Context* at the bottom of the screen, once you are logged into the *Gale* online services. This is a virtual library of resources from Gale featuring today's hottest social issues.

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