

Social work 420: Social Policy Analysis

Legislative Assignment

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- I. **Identify a social policy topic related to at-risk population (due to diversity, socioeconomics, empowerment)**

Part 1: Research based paper (due Oct. 11)

- II. **Write a 5+ page paper**
 - a. Explain your interest in the social issue
 - b. Research-based findings:



- i. Demographics
- ii. Financial implications
- iii. Legal issues
- iv. How the topic became policy to advance social well-being

Part 2: Identify state, Federal, or International policy related to topic (due Nov. 8)

- III. **Write a 5-page paper**
 - a. Identify policy & official title
 - b. Who introduced it? Political affiliation?
 - c. Co-Sponsors?
 - d. Bi-partisan support?
 - e. Opposition from specific groups?
 - f. Who is most likely to be affected?
 - g. When it became law?
 - h. Does this policy provide a model of prevention?
 - i. Does this policy advocate for human rights?



Part 3: Write and send a letter/email to the author(s) of the bill (Due Nov. 25)

- IV. **Voice your support for the bill & why**

