**WHAT HAPPENED? WHAT IS THE STORY BEHIND THE CASE?**

* + **Congress, as part of the AAA, implemented a tax on the processing of agricultural commodities**
  + **Funds from this tax would be redistributed to farmers who promised to reduce their production of the same commodities**

**HOW DID THE SUPREME COURT RULE IN THE CASE?**

* + **Yes, the AAA attempted to regulate and control agricultural production, an area reserved to the states**
  + **Even though Congress has the power to tax and appropriate funds, these actions violated the states power to regulate INTRA-STATE commerce**
  + **The AAA was declared unconstitutional**

**NAME OF CASE**

United States v. Butler

**YEAR OF CASE**

**1936**

**INVOLVED (ex. people, states, amendments, laws)**

* + **Agricultural Adjustment Act (AAA)**
  + **Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the Constitution**
  + **Tenth Amendment**

**WHAT IS THE CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUE IN THIS CASE?**

* + **Did the Congress exceed its power to tax and spend in order to provide for the general welfare by enacting the AAA?**