

THE MEDIA AND PUBLIC POLICY

Directions: Answer the following questions based on the news article you have read.

Name of paper: _____

Title of article: _____

1. Summarize your article in 2-3 sentences.
2. Who is likely to be affected by this public policy?
3. Would your identity group be likely to support this policy? Explain, giving reasons for/against the policy from your identity group's point of view.
4. Assess the media's role in this article. Did the writer(s) of the newspaper article present the policy fairly or with bias? (In other words, does it seem the author wants readers to agree with the policy, or to disagree with it? This might indicate bias.) Select a passage from the article that supports your assessment of the fair or biased treatment. Write your response in a short paragraph.