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| Title of Article and APA Citation | Anders, Melissa. "Michigan Gov. Rick Snyder pushed for opinions on gay rights issues." <i>Mlive.com</i> . N.p., 24 Oct. 2013. Web. 24 Oct. 2013. < http://www.mlive.com/politics/index.ssf/2013/10/michigan_gay_civil_rights_disc.html#incart_river >. |
| Complete summary of Article (5 W's and H) | The article focuses on the treatment of gay individuals and republican Governor Rick Snyder avoiding taking a stand on the issue. His reasoning behind this is because he is currently focusing elsewhere. He said he is letting it go through the judicial process, but will at some point have a discussion on. The article continues onto discussing the issue with balancing personal liberty with religious freedom. This lack of balance results in discrimination toward the LGBT community in the workplace more specifically. Michigan is still working on passing anti-discrimination ordinances and laws because it not only affects the people and families in Michigan, but also Michigan's economic growth. In 2012 and 2009, Senator Rebekah Warren tried to introduce bills prohibiting employers, landlords, and others in Michigan from discriminating based on sexual orientation or gender identity, but they never passed. They are still working on progressing with this issue. |
| Core Democratic Value(s) | The CDV being debated is equality. |
| Rationale for <i>each</i> of the CDVs | According to our Constitution, people in our country are guaranteed the right to be treated equally and fairly when it comes to politics, the law, or economic issues. Equality is being debated by not treating everyone equally, like they should be. Employers, landlords, and others are able to discriminate based on sexual orientation and gender identity if they choose to and that challenges people's rights to be treated equally. |
| Branch of Government indicated in this issue AND how do you know? | Both the Legislative and the Executive branch are indicated in this issue because the Legislative branch is who makes the laws and the Executive branch is who enforces the laws that the Legislative branch creates. The Legislative branch has failed to create a law that removes all discriminations toward the LGBT community, which in turn has forced the Executive branch to ignore all situations where discriminations have occurred. |
| Level of Government with jurisdiction – AND how do you know? | State government has the jurisdiction for this matter. I know this because the state of Michigan is debating about the discrimination toward gays. Several states have made laws and passed bills about this kind of situation, but it does not affect the entire country therefore it is only within the State's jurisdiction. |
| 2-3 Focus questions – how would you lead a substantive discussion on this article as it relates to the Core Democratic Values? | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What other examples have you noticed in your life that would go against the Core Democratic Value of equality? 2. Would you relate this article to any other Core Democratic Values? How and why? 3. Do you think it is okay to ignore certain situations that go against any of the Core Democratic Values? |