**Senate Sub Committee Chair, Kuluris will be holding hearings on Tuesday 12/10 on HR 507 (50 formal)**

*HR 507: Removing Andrew Jackson from Removed from the $20 bill to be replaced with a Woman*

**Supporting the bill:** Many historians have supported the bill believing Andrew Jackson is a racist, violent and unconstitutional character unfit to grace the $20. They also love to point out how ironic it is to have a man opposed to paper money on, well, paper money.

**Opposing the Bill:** Many prominent historians oppose this bill calling it an overreach of politically correct and naïve politicians. They do not refute negative historical facts such as Indian removal but instead believe we have to look at the man in his historical context and look at his influence on mass democracy, the party system and anti-elite policies

**Roles (all groups will be assessed on understanding Jackson’s complicated legacy)\*:**

**Senate Chair**

* Be a terribly patronizing character skeptical of all sides and refusing to allow people to avoid answering questions

**Senate Panel**

* Prepare 5 core questions for each sides witnesses (at least one question must cover each category of Jackson’s Legacy)
* Ask clarifying questions on responses
* Prepare and ask follow up questions if witness tries to avoid answering the questions

**Citizen Witness Supporting the bill**

* 2 opening speakers to stake your sides view (2-3 min speech)
* 4-5 expert witnesses to answer questions from the committee
* 2 closing speaker to wrap up your sides view after testimony (2-3 min)

**Citizen Witness Opposing the bill**

* 2 opening speaker to stake your sides view (2-3 min speech)
* 4-5 expert witnesses to answer questions from the committee
* 2 closing speaker to wrap up your sides view after testimony (2-3 min)

**Committee Structure:**

* Call to order and explanation by Chairman Kuluris
* Opening speaker: Citizen Witness Supporting the bill
* Opening speaker: Citizen Witness Opposing the bill
* Panel Questions and expert responses
* Opening speaker: Citizen Witness Supporting the bill
* Opening speaker: Citizen Witness Opposing the bill

**Rules:**

1. The chairman is responsible for maintaining order and will intervene as necessary to do so
2. Don’t take this too personally; some of you might be arguing a side which you don’t actually support, so don’t take offense if you are “accused” of believing things you don’t necessarily believe
3. The senate panel will ask one question to one side. The next question will be to the other side
4. Sometimes the other side won’t be able to actually give you an answer; if this occurs don’t spend too long trying to make them answer if they don’t actually have one.
5. Suggestions? I’ll write them on the board

**\*All parts of the exercise need to address the following:**

* Jackson’s Military Career
* Mass Democracy and the common man
* The Nullification Crisis
* His confrontation with Bank of the United States in 1832
* Indian Removal