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[Domenico Montanaro & Brett Neely. What is the Filibuster –And Why Do Some Democrats Want to End It? NPR, September 13](https://www.npr.org/2019/09/12/760375754/what-is-the-filibuster-and-why-do-some-democrats-want-to-end-it)[th](https://www.npr.org/2019/09/12/760375754/what-is-the-filibuster-and-why-do-some-democrats-want-to-end-it)[, 2019.](https://www.npr.org/2019/09/12/760375754/what-is-the-filibuster-and-why-do-some-democrats-want-to-end-it)

1. What is the filibuster?
2. Why do some Democrats, notably Senator Elizabeth Warren, want to end the filibuster?
3. Based on the graph in the article, how has the use of the filibuster changed over time?
4. In your opinion, is getting rid of the filibuster a good idea? Why or why not?

[Marcia Coyle. Does this anti-discrimination law protect LGBTQ workers? 3 cases ask Supreme Court to decide PBS Newshour, September 12th, 2019.](https://www.pbs.org/newshour/politics/does-this-anti-discrimination-law-protect-lgbtq-workers-3-cases-ask-supreme-court-to-decide)

1. What is the significance of the Civil Rights Act of 1964? In particular, what is the significance of Title VII?
2. What are the legal questions in these cases?
3. What is the position of the Trump administration in these cases?
4. Pick one of the three cases discussed. How would you rule? Why?

[Harry Enten. Warren and Sanders say Americans don't like their health insurance. Polls don't back that up. CNN, September 14, 2019.](https://www.cnn.com/2019/09/14/politics/poll-warren-sanders-health-insurance/index.html)

1. What is Bernie Sanders and Elizabeth Warren’s position on health care and insurance? Why do you think they have taken this position?
2. How does their position on health care and insurance compare to that of Americans?
3. How does this article illustrate the difference between a primary election and general election strategy?
4. What is your position on healthcare? Do you support a private insurance, Medicare for All, or something else? Why?