



VOTING STUDY PARTY

Policies Worksheet

Each proposed policy has a short-term impact and a long-term impact. No proposed policy will be perfect; in many circumstances, you may have to agree to some less-favorable terms in order to gain the large impact you're hoping for. In situations like these, it is helpful to ask: *is the negative I need to agree to worth the positive?* The answer to this question can vary widely depending on the proposed legislation or candidate; hopefully, this worksheet can walk you through feeling comfortable with what you're voting for and why you're voting for it.

1. What does the policy actually do? What doesn't it do?
2. What are the parameters of the proposal? (Where does authority stop and start?)
3. Who has the authority to enact the proposal, and do I trust them to act in my best interest?
4. Does the proposal consider the safety of myself, my family, my friends, and my neighbors?
5. What is the cost? (Both economic and human?)



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