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Fact:

The Democratic Party will take back control of the Senate in 2018.

The Republican Party will retain control of the House in 2018.

Value:

United States drug policy regarding opioids is unjust.

Marijuana legalization is morally justified.

Policy:

The United States Federal Government should significantly increase infrastructure spending.

The United States Federal Government should significantly increase investment in green technology.

VARSIITY

Fact:

Catalonia will gain its independence from Spain.

Iraqi Kurdistan will gain its independence from Iraq.

Value:

When in conflict, order ought to be valued over free speech on college campuses.

In the case of college admissions, affirmative action policies should value socioeconomic background over race.

Policy:

The United States Federal Government should substantially increase the federal tax on gasoline.

The United States Federal Government should substantially raise the Social Security payroll tax cap.

BACKUP TOPICS

FACT: Higher education perpetuates inequality.

VALUE: Preemptive military action against North Korea is morally justifiable.

POLICY: The United States Federal Government should pass the DREAM Act.