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## Bill Ranking Guidelines

In committee meetings, all bills are ranked rather than voted upon. This ensures that the bills most deserving are given the chance to be debated on the House or Senate floor. In Committees, each school will be given a single ranking sheet, and after each bill they will be given a minute to caucus and rank as a group. Bills will be ranked on a scale of one (1) to five (5) in five separate criteria with five (5) signifying the best score. The categories delegates will rank each bill on are:

- **Debatability:** The amount to which the bill inspires people to speak on the issue, no matter which side they take. Questions to consider:
  - Are there multiple viewpoints from which to consider this bill?
  - Will other delegates want to be heard on this issue?
  - Are there complex issues that require compromise?
- **Feasibility:** The level of difficulty and effort required to implement the actions dictated in the bill. Questions to consider:
  - Is it possible to implement this idea?
  - How much will the net cost or gain to the Commonwealth be?
  - What will have to change for this bill to go into effect?
- **Creativity:** The amount of original thought and problem solving ingenuity a bill demonstrates. Questions to consider:
  - Is this bill similar to anything already in practice?
  - Does this solution propose a new line of thinking?
  - Is this idea offering a new process for allocating or using current resources?
- **Importance:** The measurable impact that can be reasonably expected from the enacting of this legislation. Questions to consider:
  - Does passage of this bill benefit the Commonwealth of Kentucky?
  - Are there currently people in danger or being unduly effected by this issue?
  - How many people will benefit per dollar spent?
- **Preparation/ Presentation:** The manner and proficiency with which Authors are able to discuss and explain the details of their bill. Questions to consider:
  - Are the Authors prepared and well informed on the topic?
  - Do the Authors clearly explain the problem and proposed solution?
  - Are the Authors persuasive and interesting in communicating their ideas?