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**Chapter 2: State and Local Government in West Virginia
Section 2: The Three Branches of State Government**

Writing a Bill

Directions: As you write your bill, consider the following:

1. Concentrate on issues that affect the whole country; think about who will be affected by the law.
2. Research the topic of your bill, including finding some possible solutions to the problem.
3. Decide what penalties, if any, should be imposed on those who disobey the bill when it becomes law.
4. Consider what resources will be needed to implement the law (e.g., people, money, equipment). If funding is needed to implement the law, where would you get the funds?

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(This bill will originate in the House of Representatives. Create a formal name of the bill that includes a brief description.)

_____ (Your Name) _____ (Date)

I. Short Title: This is the title that will be used to discuss the bill.

II. Requirements: What will the law do? Who will be affected, impacted, or involved? Each thing it will do should be listed separately.



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III. Funding: How will the law be funded?

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IV. Implementation: Who will see that the law is implemented? What government agency will oversee the law?

V. Penalties: What happens to those who do not obey the law?

VI. Effective Date: When will the law go into effect?

