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Learn

A Step-by-step guide to learning all you need to about the NDAA and your local government.

1. Check out <http://www.ndaa2012.us>. This website explains the basics of the NDAA in just a few minutes, and is great to either learn the background, or brush up on them.
2. Check out “NDAA for Beginners,” in your packet. This is a slightly more in-depth look into the law, by a top Constitutional lawyer and a former NYPD officer.
3. The first two steps will give you excellent background. Next, Look through this NDAA Presentation: <http://pandaunite.org/whatisthendaa/ndaa-presentation/>, which explains the 2012 NDAA in several simple slides, and this is a video presentation using it: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j9sexybhoZ8>.
4. Read “Responding to a Senator.” This is a top-notch response to North Carolina Senator Burr, as he attempts to defend the NDAA in your packet.

Now, onto learning your local government, which is step two of the “learn” process.

5. First, attempt to find out WHO your local government is. Head to your local government website, or search (your city/county) (council/commission). Try to find out the names and party affiliation of the current members, and then call the city/county clerk to verify that the info is correct.
6. Secondly, learn how to introduce the Restoring Constitutional Governance Resolution (in your packet) to your city council/county commission. Usually, a city councilperson must introduce the RCGR, but in some cases a petition can get it on the town agenda. This infographic is overly complicated, and designed for US Congress, but it will give you an idea of how the general process works: <http://pandaunite.org/howlawsarereallymade.jpg>. If this doesn't clear things up, call your city/county clerk and ask how a resolution gets passed. If you need help, contact PANDA and we'll definitely walk you through.
7. Get ready for step 2, and check out the references below.



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References:

1. The actual text of the offending provisions of the 2012 NDAA, Sections 1021 and 1022, is in your packet.
2. Federal Judge Katherine Forrest, in the Fourth District Court of New York, ruled the detention provisions of the 2012 NDAA unConstitutional in September 2012. Her ruling is excellent, and included in your packet.
3. Notes on the Fourth District Court hearing. These notes showcase how ridiculous the government's arguments for the NDAA are: <http://naomiwolf.org/2012/03/ndaa-hearing-notes/>
4. PANDA Legislative Defense Manual (in your packet). This manual is something to refer to when you come up to against objections to your resolution, or position against the NDAA. It is set out in "mythbuster" fashion, with easy to understand comebacks to common myths about the NDAA.