

**SIXTY-FIRST NATIONAL CONVENTION
OF
THE AMERICAN LEGION
Houston, Texas
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**Resolution No. 406: Study of American History in the Schools
Origin: West Virginia
Submitted by: Convention Committee on Americanism**

WHEREAS, The study of American History has virtually disappeared from the courses and teaching offered in the elementary, secondary, and high schools of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, We consider it vital for the preservation and perpetuation of our democratic form of government that the coming generations of this nation be well informed and grounded in the ideals and ideas of our forefathers, its founders, and the continued struggle to keep them alive and viable; and

WHEREAS, Not all school systems have an acceptable course in American History for study by the children; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By The American Legion in National Convention assembled in Houston, Texas, August 21, 22, 23, 1979, That The American Legion does go on record in support of a mandatory, acceptable course in American history in all our school systems throughout these United States of America.