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The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit issued a divided ruling upholding Illinois' mandatory moment of silence law. The law requires all Illinois public schools to begin the school day with a moment of silence "for silent prayer or for silent reflection on the anticipated activities of the day." In January 2009, a U.S. District Court found the law to be unconstitutional.

Scheduling most Indiana girls' basketball games on weeknights does not violate federal law, according to a federal court decision.

A new law passed in the Brazilian city of Porto Alegre will require its public schools to teach about the Holocaust.

A decision by the U.S. Supreme Court not to hear an appeal filed by the pharmaceutical company Pfizer has cleared the way for state court hormone replacement therapy breast cancer lawsuits filed by more than 100 women in Minnesota to proceed.

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