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Section 2. *Be it further enacted*, That any teacher found guilty of the violation of this Act, Shall be guilty of a misdemeanor[a11]  and upon conviction, shall be fined not less than One[a12]  Hundred $ (100.00) Dollars nor more than Five Hundred ($ 500.00) Dollars for each offense.

Section 3. *Be it further enacted*, That this Act take effect from and after its passage, the[a13]  public welfare requiring it.

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 [a1]State law, referring to “Tennessee.” Probably the  prohibition of learning about evolution in schools, like Scopes-Monkey Trial

 [a2]Public? Is that for the people, then?all schools in TN

 [a3]State law, only effective in the state of TN.

 [a4]What is sixty-four? Is this an address?

 [a5]Set during the 1920s

 [a6]Who is mr. Butler? Is he a gv’t official? What was his intention in instituting this act?

 [a7]What is “Normals”? is this like, regular schools,  private schools, possibly?

 [a8]Punishment for teaching religion? Relates to Scopes Monkey trial and simpsons episode.

 [a9]Is this the part of the clause that put Scopes on trial? Why was this enacted? It seems like the school system and state government is “shoving religion down peoples’ throats.”

 [a10]Exactly like the Simpson’s episode, as only creationism can be taught rather than Darwin’s

 [a11]Why misdemeanor? Why not treachery, for opposing ideas of government? Can this be taught at home, or in a private setting?

 [a12]At least one will not be incarcerate for taching Darwinian theories

 [a13]The public decides the outcome of the convict?

 a11- I think that if you are caught teaching it anywhere then you would be punished.

 All your other comments are good because you would need to search the question on another website.

 Sepration of church and state.  Government doesn't have a say.

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 [d1]Why did state get involved in this?

 [d2]This person is a man and his last name lets me know that he is white.

 [d3]Are there any other state that is prohibiting the teaching of the theory of evolution?

 [d4]I think it means some public schools.

 [d5]What are some of the penalties?

 [d6]What would happen if people in different religions didn’t want to learn it?

 [d7]How much would it cost for the first offense? Would the second fine be the same as the first one?

[d1] I think the state issued this act to regulate what is being taught in school, and to prevent ideas that contradict those of the Bible. The Act state that those found guilty of teaching ideas are fined, which encourages teachers to halt the teaching of religion in the classroom.

[d2] The man MIGHT be white, not necessarily, though. The surname just suggests that he is white.

[d3] I think this law only pertains to Tennessee, because it is a state, not federal law. Other states can enact this law, as well, but it has not been enforced by every state, as a federal law would.

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[d6] I don't think people of different religions have a choice. If they are attending public schools, they will probably be forced to learn the ideas of Creationism. I think the Butler Law would  not apply, if the school does not use government funds. People can also dispute this act, using Civil Rights, "separation of church and state," "gv't can't get involved."

[d7] first offense " One Hundred $ (100.00) Dollars nor more than Five Hundred ($ 500.00) Dollars" second offense would be decided by public welfare.

The slideshow relates to the Butler Act, in that Scopes, who was in Tennessee, was found guilty. The trial was held in 1925, the time when the Butler Act came into effect, and based on that act, Scopes, whom had taught Darwinian theories in the classroom, was arrested and found guilty. I think Scopes should not be found guilty, however. He is just trying to enlighten the students. In the Simpson episode, Lisa was arrested for teaching religion, as well. She, to was trying to enlighten her fellow classmates. not religion, theory of evolution

The city, like in the Simpsons', was corrupt, and wanted to improve the church. The city wanted to improve it's economy by introducing more tourists, using the Butler Act and Scopes Trial

I think that the slideshow relates to the Butler Act because the Butler Act said who ever teaches Darwin's theory of evolution would get arrested and put in trial, just like Scope. The trial happened on the same year as the Butler Act.

Alex: hi

10:36 Alex: id like a big mac

10:36 Alex: and large fries

10:36 Alex: and large drank

10:44 Alex: and and

10:44 Alex: can i get 3 apple pies?!

10:47 Danny: hi

10:50 Alex: ^ late response.

10:50 Alex: i chose burger king, instead.

10:50 Alex: xD