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The case of Arizona VS. United States is an excellent example of States' rights. In this case, Arizona immigration law stated that aliens should carry their immigration documents at all times, prohibited undocumented workers from seeking employment, and allowed police to arrest illegal immigrants without a warrant on the basis of probable cause (Boyles 112). The federal court ruled these provisions as unconstitutional on the basis of federal appropriation. In this case, the state of Arizona did not have the rights to require these provisions from illegal immigrants without first knowing their immigration status. The supremacy of the state here under the supremacy clause did not have a strong basis. In the context of this case, I think that Arizona immigration laws were unconstitutional because they infringed the rights of aliens without questioning their status.

The case between (National Association of Independent Business) N.A.I. B v. Sebelius shows that powers of the national government. N.A.I.B filed a case accusing the national government of requiring people with a certain wage to purchase health insurance or face a penalty reported in the federal government tax returns. In this case, the Supreme Court rejected the argument made by the government that the mandate of citizens with a certain wage to purchase health insurance under the Affordable Care Act was a constitutional exercise of the powers of the Congress

(Greenberg, 146). Although this argument was rejected, the Supreme Court upheld the payment of health insurance or a penalty under the taxing power of the national government. Either way, the government taxed citizens who failed to pay for the insurance to promote better health care.

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