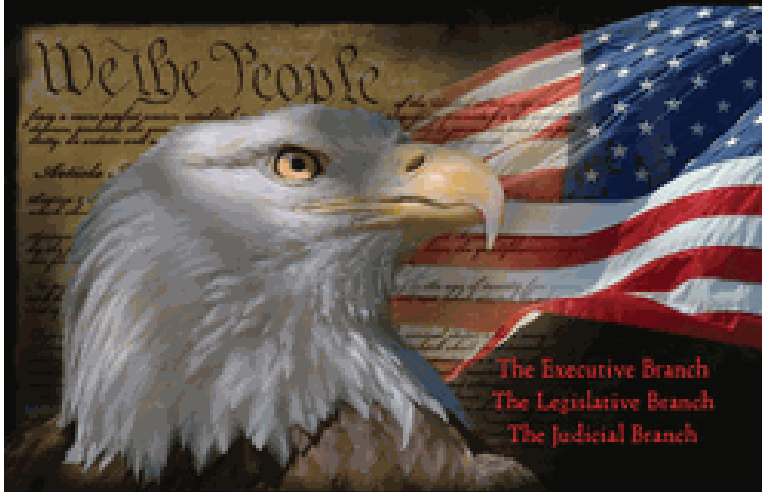


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... and how it all comes together to make a nation



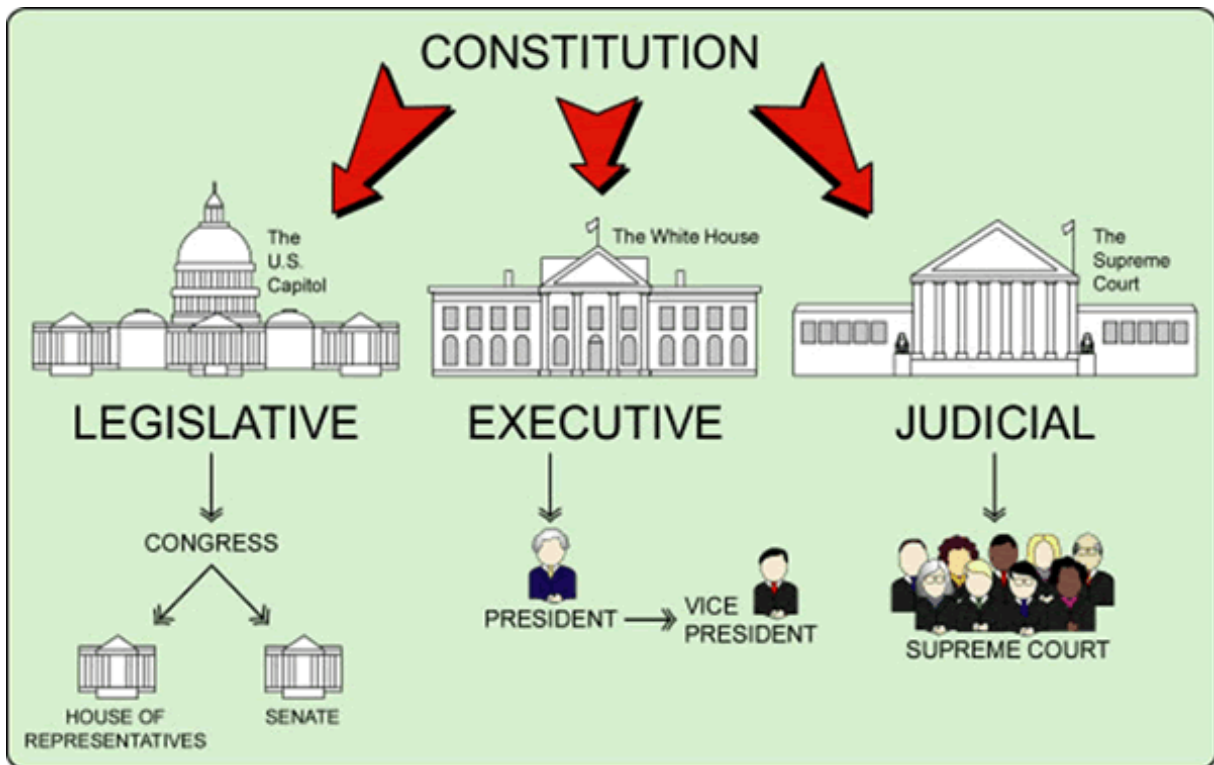
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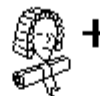
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


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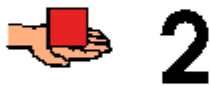
Legislature



The first part of the government is the **legislature**.



The **legislature** makes laws



The **legislature** has two parts:













The House of **Representatives** and the **Senate**.



The House of **Representatives** and the **Senate** both make laws




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 Who is in the House of Representatives and the Senate ?















 People pick who they want in the House of Representatives









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 The person who gets picked has the job for two years

 People pick who they want in the Senate




















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 The person who gets picked has the job for six years



Executive




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 The second part of the government is the **executive**




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 The **executive** is the President
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 People pick who they want as President






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 The President has the job for four years



Jobs of the President


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 the leader of the
 
military





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 in charge of different parts of the government
 






Some of these parts are
 
 the **military**,
 
 education,
 
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 and transportation















Judicial

The  third  part of the  government  is the **judiciary**

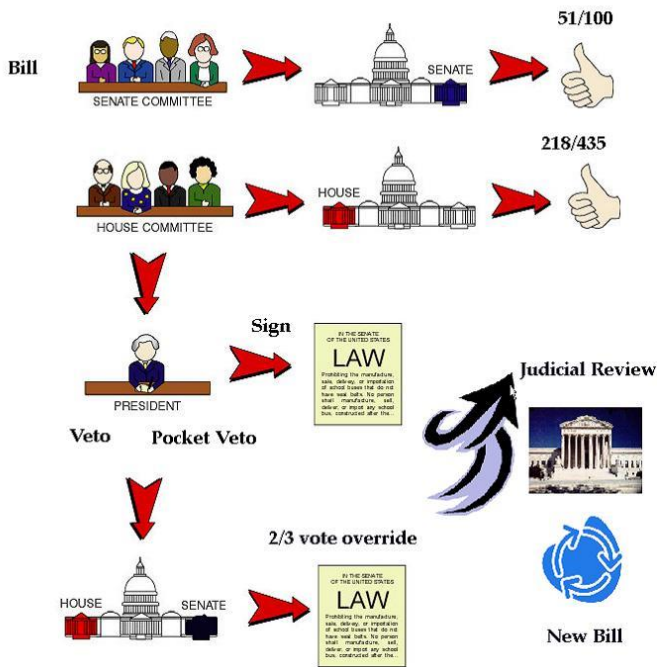
The **judiciary**  is  made up of  courts

The  court  decides if  laws  were  broken

There  are  **state**  and **national**  courts

The  biggest  court  is the **Supreme**  Court,  which  has  nine  judges

How laws are made



Making a Law

For a law to pass:

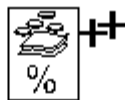
The majority of the Senate needs to say ok

The majority of the House of Representatives needs to say ok

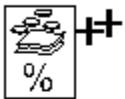
Next the President needs to say ok



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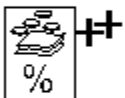


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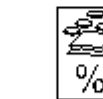


The **legislator** chooses

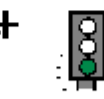
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The **executive** spends the

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parts of government



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State and City Taxes

There are also taxes for your state and city

Taxes pay for schools

Taxes pay for roads and bridges

Taxes pay for the people who work for the government



The End

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