

# THE PREAMBLE & ARTICLE I

Directions: In this activity you will read the Preamble and Article I of the U.S. Constitution. As you read answer the following questions and fill in the graphic organizer.

## PREAMBLE

WHAT ARE THE SIX PURPOSES/GOALS OF THE CONSTITUTION?

1. \_\_\_\_\_
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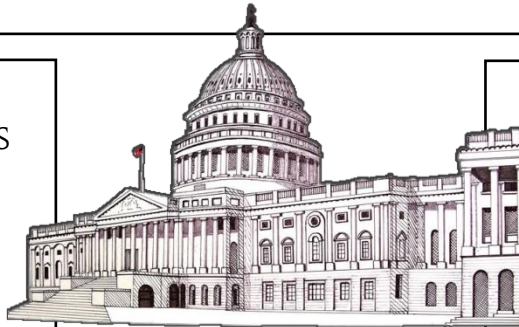
## ARTICLE I

### SECTION 1 - CONGRESS

#### SECTION 2

##### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

- *Age requirement:* \_\_\_\_\_
- *Citizenship req:* \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- *Length of office:* \_\_\_\_\_
- *Number of members:* \_\_\_\_\_
- *Head of Chamber:* \_\_\_\_\_  
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#### SECTION 3

##### THE SENATE

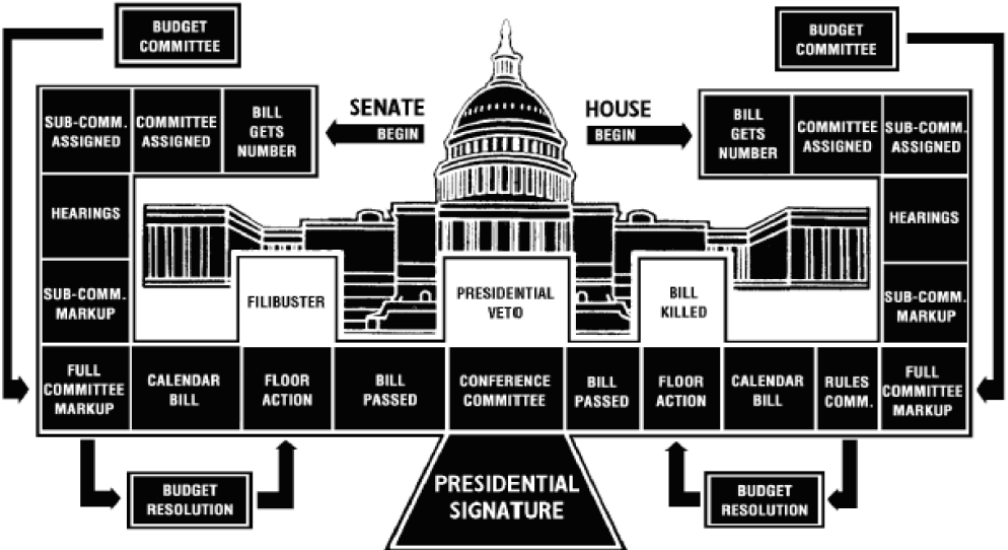
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#### SECTION 4 - ELECTIONS

#### SECTION 5 - RULES & PROCEDURES

#### SECTION 6 - PAYMENT & PRIVILEGES

# SECTION 7 - HOW A BILL BECOMES A LAW



**NECESSARY & PROPER CLAUSE**  
*What is it? Why do you think it is sometimes called the "Elastic Clause"?*

*How many senators need to vote to impeach the president AND what is the punishment for impeachment?*

*The "general welfare of the United States" has proven to be a rather stretchy phrase. Can/should Congress do ANYTHING it thinks is "good for us"? What are/should be the limits of "general welfare"?*

**SECTION 8**  
**POWERS OF CONGRESS**

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15. \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION 9**  
**POWERS DENIED CONGRESS**

**SECTION 10**  
**POWERS DENIED STATES**