# Topic 5 Vocabulary

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- chief legislator
- chief of party

- chief citizen
- commander in chief
- president pro tempore
- balance the ticket

# Topic 6 Vocabulary

- bureaucracy
- fiscal year
- attorney general
- civil service
- spoils system

- independent regulatory commissions
- isolationism
- deterrence
- detente
- regional security alliances

### The Chief Executive

Power Standards: S3-C2-P6
Topic 5



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- Succession
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- Disability
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### Powers of the President

- Article II Section. 2 grants the President of the United States the power to:
- grant delays of court sentences and grant pardons
- make treaties with foreign countries
- appoint ambassadors, consuls, and supreme court judges
- make temporary Senate appointments

### Powers of the President

The President must:

inform Congress about the condition of the country (State of the Union Address)

see that the laws of the United States are carried out

commission officers of the United States

# How a Bill Becomes Law

Part I

#### Bills

- Public Bills- Deal with the entire nation.
   These are usually tax measures or amendments to already established laws.
- Private Bills-Apply to certain places but can only be used for the "public good"

## Joint Resolution

 Joint Resolution- Deal with unusual or temporary matters. Are used to propose constitutional amendments and to annex territories.

### Concurrent Resolution

- Concurrent Resolution- Deals with matters in which the House and Senate must act jointly. This is usually used for Congress to state a position.
- The President does not have to sign a concurrent resolution.

### Resolution

 Resolutions- Deal with matters taken up by either house:

House of Representatives

Senate

Resolutions usually deal with procedural rule changes or the addition of new rules to procedures.

Resolutions do not require the President's signature.

# Understanding Riders

- Riders are items attached to bills that are unrelated to the measure.
- This is commonly referred to as "Christmas tree ornaments."

### The Numeration of Bills

- Bills are numbered as they are introduced during the "congressional term."
  - For example: H.R. 2710 stands for House of Representative bill number 2,710 of that term.
- Senate Bills will begin with a S.
  - For example S. 127 is Senate bill number 127 of that term.

## Role of Government

- Article I Section 8 outlines the powers of Congress
- Article I Sec 8.1:To lay and collect Taxes,
   Duties, Imposts and Excises to pay the
   Debts and provide for the common Defence
   and general Welfare of the United States; but
   all Duties, Imposts and Excises, shall be
   uniform throughout the United States.

# How a Bill Becomes Law

Part II

# Introducing Bills

- After a bill is introduced it is given a number. For example H.R. 2710
- Then the bill is given a short title
- The bill is then recorded into the Journal and in the Congressional Record for the day.

## 3 Readings

- 1. When a bill is introduced it receives its <u>first</u> reading
- 2. If the House or Senate decides to consider the bill it receives a <u>second reading</u>
- 3. The <u>third reading</u> takes place before the final vote on the bill

# The First Reading

- After the first reading the Speaker of the House, or Senate refers the bill to the appropriate standing committee
- The House has 25 standing committees while the Senate has 20

# Surviving the First Reading

- Standing committees ensure that bills are worthy of reaching the congressional floor.
- Standing committees or subcommittees make special trips or hold public hearing on controversial measures.
- House members can use a discharge petition to force a measure that has been considered to the floor.

## Immigration Reform

- Individually- State **why** you are reforming immigration by listing what you believe is wrong with the current system
- Individually- offer a viable solution to America's immigration issues by offering a fix or each problem you listed
- Individually- present your plan to your group
- As a group- compromise and reach a solution, in bullet form on a single sheet of paper (detailing the current problem, the solution, and why it will work).

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# Surviving the First Reading

#### Committee Actions

- I. Report the bill as favorable
- 2. Refuse to report the bill
- 3. Report the bill in amended form
- 4. Report the bill as unfavorable
- 5. Report a committee bill

# Surviving the First Reading

- I. Union Calendar (money bills)
- 2. The House Calendar (don't involve money)
- 3. Private Calendar (1st and 3rd Tuesday)
- 4. The Corrections Calendar (non important issues, specific problems, federal rules, or regulations)
- 5. The Discharge Calendar (bill will not be considered)

## The Second Reading

- Most important measures are dealt with by The Committee of the Whole
- The Committee of the Whole is a collection of 100 members of the House.
- The Committee of the Whole does not need a Speaker.

# Surviving the Second Reading

#### Debating a Bill

- Rules forbid any member from holding the floor for more than one hour without unanimous consent to speak for a longer time
- At anytime during debate a member may "move the previous question." This means they are demanding a vote on the bill.

# Surviving the Second Reading

#### **Voting**

- I. Voice vote- yea or nay
- 2. Standing vote-standing and counted
- 3. Teller vote- go by a teller and get counted
- 4. Roll-call vote- yea or nay (called by a clerk)

## The Third Reading

- Once the bill has survived the second reading the bill is printed in its final form (engrossed).
- It is then read by title, and submitted for a final vote.
- If it is approved it is signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

# How a Bill Becomes Law

Part III

# Introducing Bills in the Senate

- Bills are introduced by Senators
- Upon introduction the measure is then given a name and a short title, read twice, and dispensed to the appropriate committee.

### Senate Calendar

#### The Senate has two calendars:

- 1. The Legislative Calendar: identifies bills and resolutions awaiting Senate floor actions
- 2. The Executive Calendar: The calendar identifies executive resolutions, treaties, and nominations reported out by Senate committee(s) and awaiting Senate floor action.

### Rules for Debate

#### **Debating a Bill**

- Unlike the House, members of the Senate can speak as long as they please.
- The Senate has a "two-speech" rule
- The session ends when unanimous consent of the chamber.

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 The Filibuster- a filibuster is an attempt to talk a bill to death

 The term filibuster -- from a Dutch word meaning "pirate" -- became popular in the 1850s, when it was applied to efforts to hold the Senate floor in order to prevent a vote on a bill.

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 Cloture- a procedure that may be used to limit or end floor debate

• In 1917, the Senate adopted Rule (22), which allowed the Senate to end a debate with a two-thirds majority vote. In 1975, the number was reduce to require only three-fifths.

# Filibuster, Cloture and Civil Rights

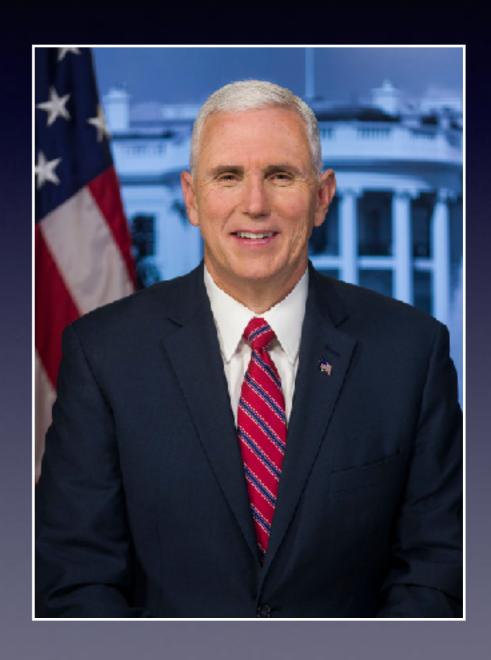
- The record for the longest individual speech goes to South Carolina's J. Strom Thurmond who filibustered for 24 hours and 18 minutes against the Civil Rights Act of 1957.
- Filibusters were particularly useful to Southern senators who sought to block civil rights legislation, including anti-lynching legislation, until cloture was invoked after a fifty-seven day filibuster against the Civil Right Act of 1964.

# Government by Committee

- Any legislation passed by Congress must be approved, in identical form, by both the House and the Senate.
- If an agreement cannot be reached the measure is sent to a conference committee.
- Conference committees are joint committees of the two houses. Bills agreed to by the committee must be accepted or rejected, without any amendments.

## President of the Senate

Mike Pence (R)



## Speaker of the House

Paul Ryan (R)



## Party Officers

- Party Caucus
- Floor leaders
- Majority leader
- Minority leader
- Whips

# House Majority Leader

Kevin McCarthy (R)



# House Majority Whip

• Steve Scalise (R)



# House Minority Leader

Nancy Pelosi (D)



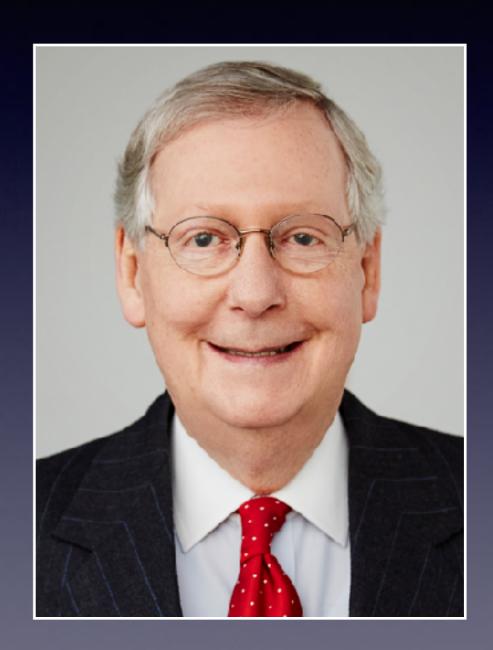
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Steny Hoyer (D)



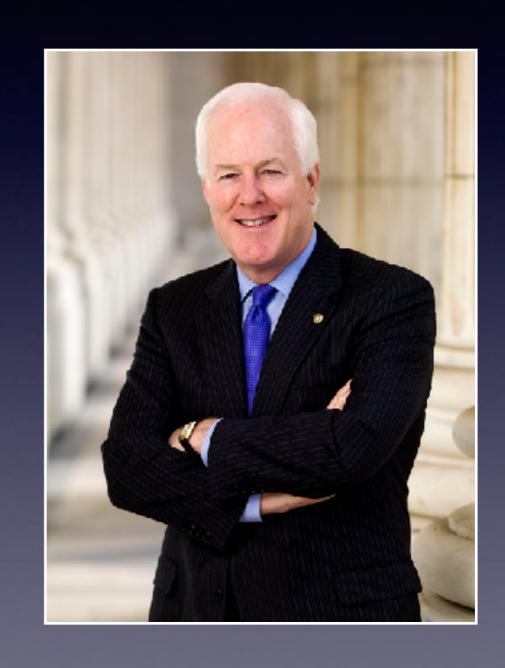
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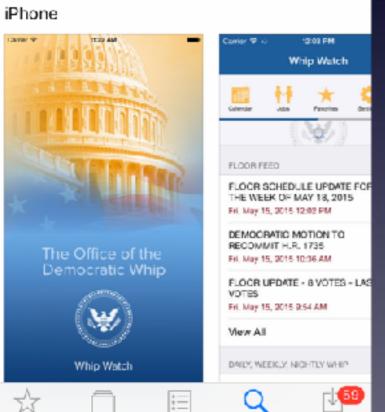


## Signing a Bill into Law

Once a measure is passed by Congress the President can:

- 1. Sign the bill
- 2. Veto the bill
- 3. Not sign the measure. However, it will become law in 10 working days.
- 4. Pocket Veto. This occurs if Congress adjourns its session within 10 days of submitting a bill to the President.





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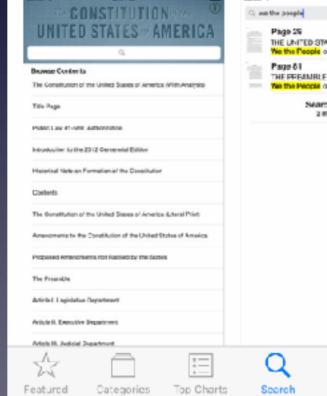
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