

POWERS & CLAUSES

Expressed or enumerated powers:

- ★ Powers that specifically listed in Article one that gives Congress the ability to pass certain laws

Implied powers:

- ★ Powers that the Constitution gives to Congress that are not listed in detail

Necessary and Proper Clause

- ★ Known as the elastic clause

- ★ found in Article I, section 8

THE ARTICLES OF CONFEDERATION

ARTICLE I

legislative branch

House

- number of members - a number based on population - 435 total
- term of length - 2 years
- elected or appointed? - elected
- age requirement - 25 years
- citizenship requirement - citizen for 7 years

Senate

- number of members - 2 members per state (100 total)
- term of length - 6 years
- elected or appointed? - elected
- age requirement - 30 years old
- citizenship requirement - citizen for 9 years

Powers

- make laws
- decide how to spend tax money
- creating and maintaining the armed forces
- declare war
- raise tax money
- propose amendments

ARTICLE II

executive branch

Office of the President

- number of members - one person
- term of length - 4 years
- elected or appointed? - elected
- age requirement - 35 years
- citizenship requirement - natural born citizen

Powers

- approves taxes
- carries out laws
- appoint cabinet members
- approves or vetos bills
- sign treaties with Senate approval

ARTICLE III

Judicial branch

Supreme Court

- number of members - 9 members
- term of length - for life
- elected or appointed? - appointed
- age requirement - 18+
- citizenship requirement - no

Powers

- interprets the laws
- protects the Constitution
- can reject laws
- reject unconstitutional treaties/laws
- declare executive actions unconstitutional