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**Powell  
Government  
Unit Overview**

**Unit Three: The Legislative Branch**

***Learning Objectives (Standards)***

**SSCG9** The student will explain the differences between the House of Representatives and the Senate, with emphasis on terms of office, powers, organization, leadership, and representation of each house.

**SSCG10** The student will describe the legislative process including the roles played by committees and leadership.

- a. Explain the steps in the legislative process.
- b. Explain the function of various leadership positions within the legislature.

**SSCG11** The student will describe the influence of lobbyists (business, labor, professional organizations) and special interest groups on the legislative process.

- a. Explain the function of lobbyists.
- b. Describe the laws and rules that govern lobbyists.
- c. Explain the function of special interest groups.

## Unit Overview of Topics

Day of Unit	Date	Topic	Homework Planning Guide (Assignment and Due Date)
1	Mon, 4/11	Unit 3 Intro Legislative Branch	
2	Tues, 4/12	Congressional Powers	
3	Wed, 4/13	Congress at Work	
4	Th, 4/15	Congressional Committees Mr. Smith Goes to Washington	
5	Fri, 4/16	Mr. Smith Goes to Washington	
6	Mon, 4/18	Unit 3 Review	
7	Tues, 4/19	Unit 3 Test	

## Unit 3 Vocabulary

### Chapter 5

Bicameral legislature  
Session  
Census  
Reapportionment  
Redistrict  
Gerrymander  
At-large  
Censure  
Incumbent  
Constituents  
Caucus  
Majority leader  
Whips  
Bill  
Calendars  
Quorum  
President  
President pro tempore  
Filibuster  
Cloture

### Chapter 6

Revenue bill  
Appropriations bill  
Interstate commerce  
Subpoena  
Perjury  
Contempt  
Immunity  
Legislative veto  
National budget  
Impoundment

### Chapter 7

Private bill  
Public bill  
Simple resolution  
Rider  
Hearing  
Veto  
Pocket veto  
Tax  
Closed rule  
Appropriation  
Authorization bill  
Entitlement  
Casework  
Pork-barrel legislation  
Logrolling

### Chapter 18

Interest group  
Business-related interest group  
Labor related interest group  
AFL-CIO  
Public-interest group  
National Governors' Association  
Lobbyist  
Lobbying  
Media campaigns  
Letter writing