

Unit 4a Vocabulary -- Congress

Set A - Quiz 10/11

constituent vs. incumbent
safe district vs. open district
term limits
casework vs. pork barrel
legislative oversight
legislative veto
legislative immunity
franking
gerrymandering
malapportionment
reapportionment vs. redistricting
Senate President vs. Senate President Pro Tem
congressional caucus vs. nominating committee
congressional caucus vs. congressional committee
bicameral legislature
filibuster vs. cloture
bill vs. law

Set B - Quiz 10/14

standing committee vs. conference committee
joint committee vs. select committee
committee chair vs. ranking chair
seniority system
logrolling vs. pigeonholing
earmarks
marking up
quorum
discharge petition
open rule vs. closed rule
revenue bill
Appropriations Committee vs. Ways & Means Committee
Rules Committee

Majority Vote

Bill to pass either chamber
Declare war
Impeach a president (only by the House)
Confirm presidential appointments (only in the Senate)
Electoral College vote for president

Two-Thirds Vote

Override a presidential veto (must be 2/3 of EACH chamber)
Remove a president (only by the Senate)
Ratify a treaty (only by the Senate)
Propose an amendment to the Constitution (only happens at the national level)

Three-Fourths Vote

Ratify an amendment to the Constitution (only happens at the state level)

Three-Fifths Vote

To invoke cloture (end filibuster) in the Senate