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| 1. **LEGISLATIVE POWERS** |  | * expressed (specifically listed) * implied (used to carry out expressed powers) |
| 1. **THE LAWMAKING PROCESS** |  | * working in committees * debating on the floor * voting on a bill by both houses * signing bill into law (President or Governor) |
| 1. **LOCAL**   **LEGISLATIVE BRANCH** |  | * makes ordinances for community * approves annual budget * limits power to that delegated by state |
| 1. **STATE**   **LEGISLATIVE BRANCH** |  | * makes laws for Virginia * approves biennial (2-year) budget * exercises power under 10th Amendment |
| 1. **FEDERAL**   **LEGISLATIVE BRANCH** |  | * makes laws for nation * approves annual budget * approves presidential appointments |
| 1. **WAYS INTEREST GROUPS INFLUENCE PUBLIC POLICY** |  | * identifying issues * making political contributions * lobby government officials |
| 1. **WAYS INDIVIDUALS**   **INFLUENCE PUBLIC POLICY** |  | * participating in politics (voting, campaigning) * expressing opinions (lobbying, demonstrating) * joining interest groups |
| 1. **LEGISLATIVE CHECKS on**   **JUDICIAL** |  | * approves federal judges * impeaches federal judges |
| 1. **LEGISLATIVE CHECKS on**   **EXECUTIVE** |  | * overrides vetoes * impeaches president |
| 1. **EXECUTIVE CHECKS on**   **LEGISLATIVE** |  | * vetoes acts of Congress * calls Congress into special session |
| 1. **JUDICIAL CHECKS**   **LEGISLATIVE** |  | * declares laws unconstitutional |
| 1. **FEDERAL**   **FORM OF**  **GOVERNMENT** |  | national government is supreme |
| 1. **BICAMERAL** |  | having two houses |
| 1. **LOBBYING** |  | seeking to influence legislators to introduce or vote for or against a bill |
| 1. **PROCESS FOR AMENDING THE *U.S. CONSTITUTION*** |  | * approved by Congress (2/3) * ratified by states (3/4) |
| 1. **PUBLIC**   **GOODS AND SERVICES** |  | * simultaneously provides benefits to many * would not be available if individuals had to provide them (interstate highways, postal service, national defense) |
| 1. **WAYS GOVERNMENTS PAY FOR PUBLIC GOODS AND SERVICES** |  | * tax revenue * borrowed funds |