

Legislative Branch	Executive Branch	Judicial Branch
Makes laws	Can approve or veto congressional bills	Can declare laws unconstitutional
Can override a president's veto with 2/3 majority	Enforces the laws	Can declare presidential acts unconstitutional
Can impeach president and federal judges	Commands the Armed Forces	Judicial review: Decides meaning of laws and Constitution
Declares wars	Nominates Supreme Court justices and lower court judges	Chief Justice presides over impeachment trials in the Senate
Senate approves or rejects presidential nominations to the Supreme Court	Can grant pardons	Supreme Court
Amends and approves the president's proposed budget	Nominates heads of executive departments	Court of Appeals District Courts
Senate approves heads of executive departments nominated by the president	President proposes the initial budget	
Senate	President	
House of Representatives	Vice President	
	Cabinet	