

Legislative Branch of Government Information List

Teacher Key of Possible Answers

1. What **document** creates the legislative branch of government?

Constitution

2. List the **parts (structure)** of the legislative branch.

Congress is made up of two parts, the Senate and House of Representatives

3. List the **main job (function)** of the legislative branch.

Pass laws to help or protect the people.

4. List at least **three responsibilities** of the legislative branch. (Other jobs besides the main one.)

Listen to what the people want.

Approve how tax money will be spent (budget).

Plan highways and bridges.

Pass laws that protect people (smoking laws, seatbelt laws, etc.)

Pass laws about how schools will operate.

Takes care of those who cannot care for them selves (money to hospitals, shelters for homeless, etc)

5. List at least one thing that Florida's legislative branch does for **our school**.

Gives us money for books.

Gives us some of the money to pay our teachers.

Builds new schools.

Decides what we will learn. (Gave us the Sunshine State Standards)

6. List at least one thing that Florida's legislative branch does for **our county**.

Gives money to build bridges and pave roads.

Gives money to help support our police and fire departments.

Gives money to help keep our hospital running.

7. List at least one thing that Florida's legislative branch does for our state.

Gives money so we can have the highway patrol.

Employs a lot of people (teachers, policemen, firemen, judges, road workers, etc).

Gives money for state parks.

8. List at least one thing that Florida's legislative branch does for **the United States**.

Passes laws to be sure that Florida is following all the national laws.

Loans soldiers to the US army to help when needed (war, natural disaster).