

## **Institutions of Government Unit Test Review Sheet**

### **The Congress, the Executive Branch, the Bureaucracy, and the Courts**

#### **The Congress**

- Rules committees
- Standing committees
- Select committees
- Joint committees
- Conference committees
- Logrolling
- Casework
- Oversight
- Franking
- reapportionment
- Agenda setting
- Constituent laws
- Rider legislation
- Logrolling
- Pork barrel legislation
- Congressional Budget Office
- General Accounting Office
- House Ways and Means Committee
- Cloture
- Exclusive power of House
- Steps in a Bill becoming a Law

#### **President**

Requirements for being president

Veto

Pocket Veto

Bully Pulpit

Office of Management and Budget

Council of Economic Advisors

Office of Management and Budget

Roles of President

- Chief Executive
- Commander-in-Chief
- Chief Diplomat
- Chief of State
- Chief Legislator

Constitutional duties of vice president

Advice and Consent

If President becomes disabled and cannot perform his duties, how may the vice president take over the office of the president?

How are cabinet secretaries and the attorney general selected?

Theories of Bureaucracy

- Weberian
- Acquisitive
- Monopolistic

Cabinet level agencies

Independent Executive Agencies

Independent Regulatory Agencies

Government Corporations

Regulatory Commissions

Iron Triangles

Issues Networks

a “spoils” system

standard operating procedures.

Civil Service

**Courts**

- Common law
- Judicial precedent
- Judicial restraint
- Judicial activism
- Strict constructionist
- broad constructionist
- Habeas corpus
- Senate judiciary committee
- Majority opinion
- Amicus curiae brief
- stare decisis
- Writ of certiorari
- dissenting opinion
- concurring opinion
- unanimous decision
- Tenure and selection of Supreme Court Justices
- Original jurisdiction
- Judicial review
- Dual court system
- Federal v state courts