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AP/Govt.
Ch.7 Congress

Using complete sentences, fully answer the following questions on a separate sheet of line paper.

1. What formal powers does Congress have? How do these powers affect the other branches?
2. Explain what major differences exist between the House and Senate.
3. What role do political parties play in Congress?
4. What are the advantages of incumbency?
5. What are the major leadership positions in the House and what are their main duties?
6. What are the major leadership positions in the Senate and what are their main duties?
7. What are the 4 main types of committees and what are their major functions?
8. What are the disadvantages of incumbency?
9. Describe how a bill becomes a law (textbook version).
10. Describe the impeachment process for Federal officials.

Define the following terms

1. Caucus (congressional)
2. Closed rule
3. Cloture rule
4. Concurrent resolution
5. Congressional Budget Office
6. Filibuster
7. General Accounting Office
8. Gerrymandering
9. Malapportionment
10. Parliament