

S8CG2 The student will analyze the role of the legislative branch in Georgia state government.

- a. Explain the qualifications, term, election, and duties of members of the General Assembly.
  - a. House
    - a. 21 year old
    - b. US and GA citizen for 2 years
    - c. District resident for 1 year
    - d. 2 year term
  - b. Senate
    - a. 25 year old
    - b. US and GA citizen for 2 years
    - c. District resident for 1 year
    - d. 2 year term
- b. Describe the organization of the General Assembly, with emphasis on leadership and the committee system.
  - a. House
    - a. Speaker of the House elected by the members of the house
    - b. majority leaders and minority leaders
  - b. Senate
    - a. Lt. governor elected by the people of Georgia
    - b. Majority and minority leaders
- c. Trace the steps in the legislative process for a bill to become a law in Georgia.
  - a. Bill may start in either house
  - b. Goes to committee
  - c. must pass in both house and senate with same language
  - d. A committee of members of both house and senate may work out differences
  - e. Governor may
    - a. sign it
    - b. veto it
    - c. line item veto
    - d. nothing then the bill becomes law in 40 days

SS8CG3 The student will analyze the role of the executive branch in Georgia state government.

- a. Explain the qualifications, term, election, and duties of the governor and lieutenant governor.
  - a. Governor
    1. 30 years old
    2. 15 year U.S. citizen; 6 year GA citizen
    3. four year term; 2 consecutive terms
    4. Duties
      - a. Suggest legislation
      - b. set budget
      - c. appoint board members
      - d. sign or veto legislation
  - b. Lt Governor
    - a. Same qualifications as Governor
    - b. four year term unlimited
    - c. presides over the state senate
    - d. May not be the same party as the governor
    - e. takes the governor's office if the governor leaves office for any reason
- b. Describe the organization of the executive branch, with emphasis on major policy areas of state programs.
  1. Department of Education
  2. Department of Human Resources
  3. Department of Public Safety
  4. Department of Transportation
  5. Department of Economic Development
  6. Department of Natural Resources
1. Elected officials
  1. State School Superintendent
  2. Attorney-General
  3. Labor Secretary
  4. Insurance Commissioner
  5. Secretary of Agriculture
  6. Public Service Commission