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Amendment A change in, or addition to, a constitution or law
Anti-Federalists Persons who opposed the adoption of the Constitution between 1787-1788 who were in favor of adopting the Bill of Rights as well as strong state governments. ONAN ALMOST PAINLESS GUIDE TO THE US CONSTITUTION SPECIFICALLY FOR YOU FOR ONLY \$13. 90/PAGE Order
Now Bicameral A two-house legislative body
Bill A proposed law
Bill of Rights The first ten amendments to the Constitution dealing mostly with civil rights
Checks and Balances A system of overlapping the powers of the separate legislative, executive, and judicial branches of government, to permit each branch to check (restrain) the actions of the others
Congress Consists of a bicameral, or two-house, legislature whose role is to translate public will into public policy in the form of laws. Executive Branch The office of the President and his cabinet who are responsible for assuring that the nations laws are faithfully executed
Federalism Form of government with governmental powers divided between a central government and several state or regional governments
Federalists Persons who supported the adoption of the Constitution in 1787-1788 and believed in a strong central government. Most became members of the Federalist Party after the Constitution became adopted.
House of Representatives One of the two law making bodies in Congress whose representation is based upon state population
Judicial Branch a government's court system who is responsible for interpreting the constitution
Legislative Branch the law-making branch of the government
Senate One of the two law-making bodies in Congress where each state is represented by 2 senators
Veto refusal by the President to sign a bill into law