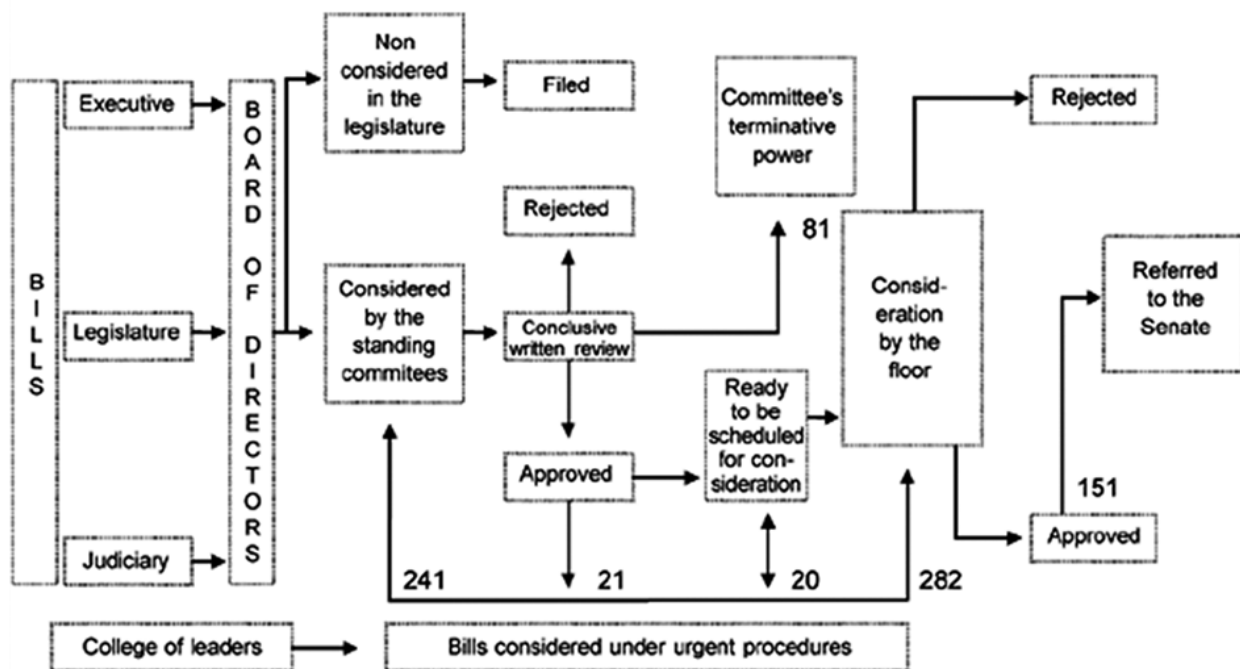


Brazil Legislative

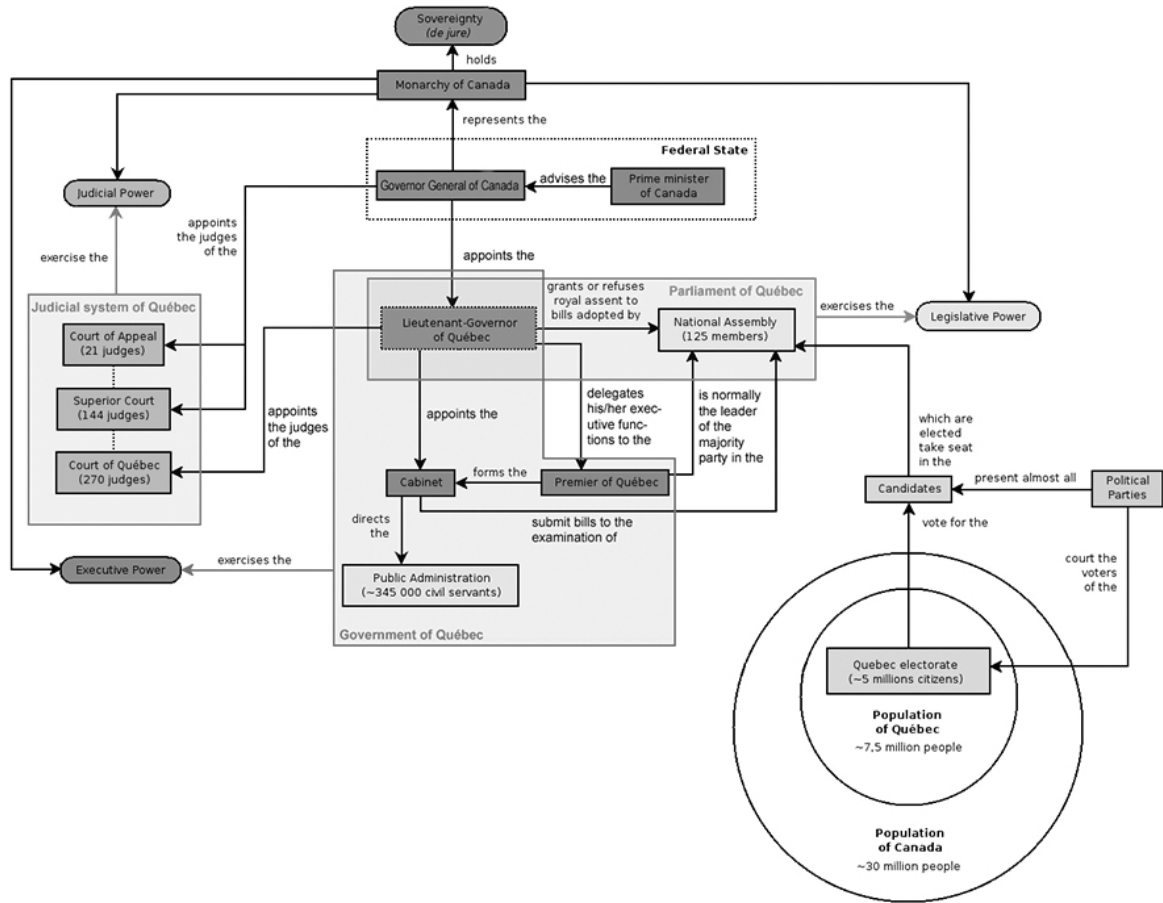


While bills in Brazil are typically proposed and revised in the Chamber of Deputies before being passed to the Senate for review; the process can also flow in the reverse direction.

From: http://www.scielo.br/scielo.php?pid=S0102-69092000000500006&script=sci_arttext#fig01

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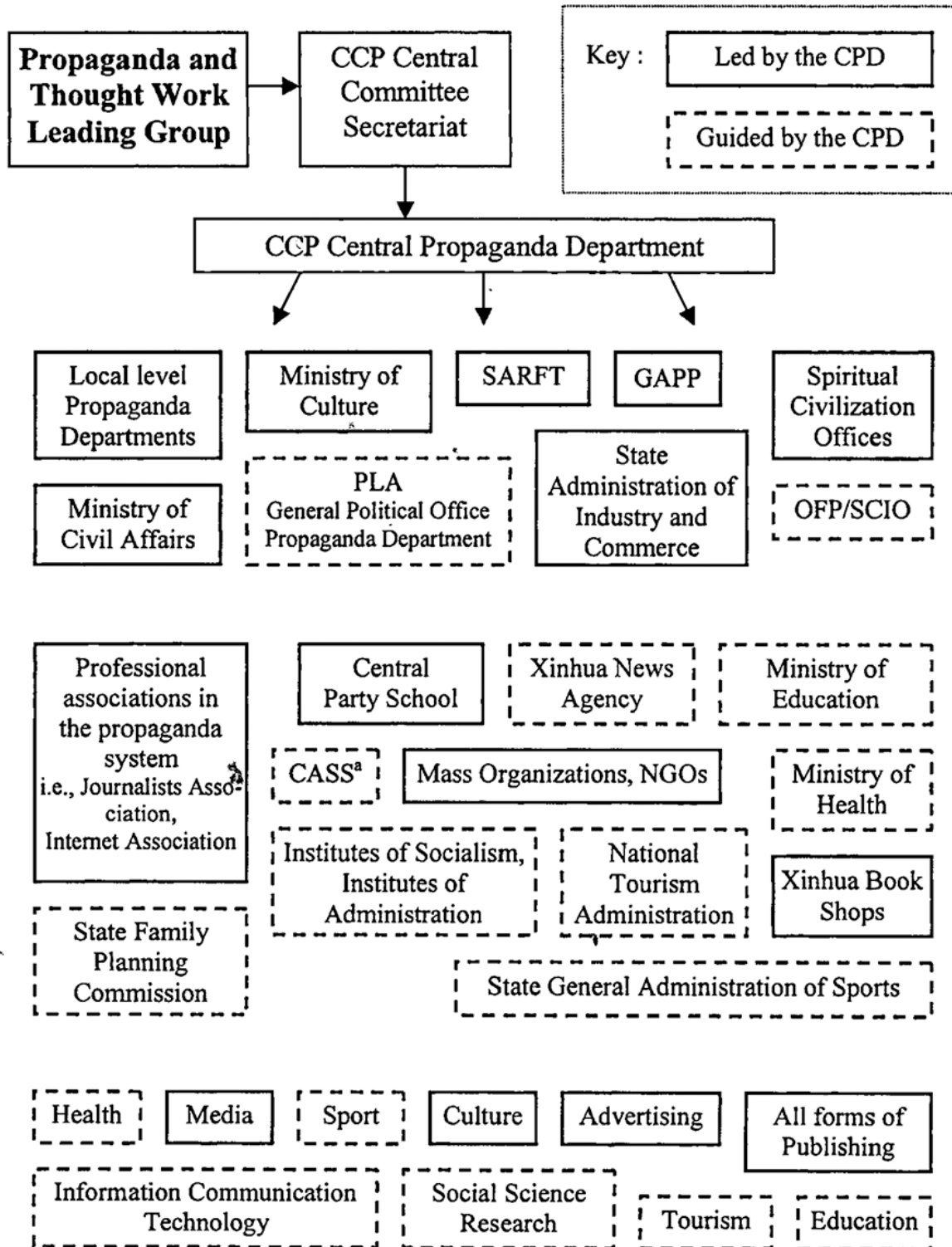
Canada Quebec Macro



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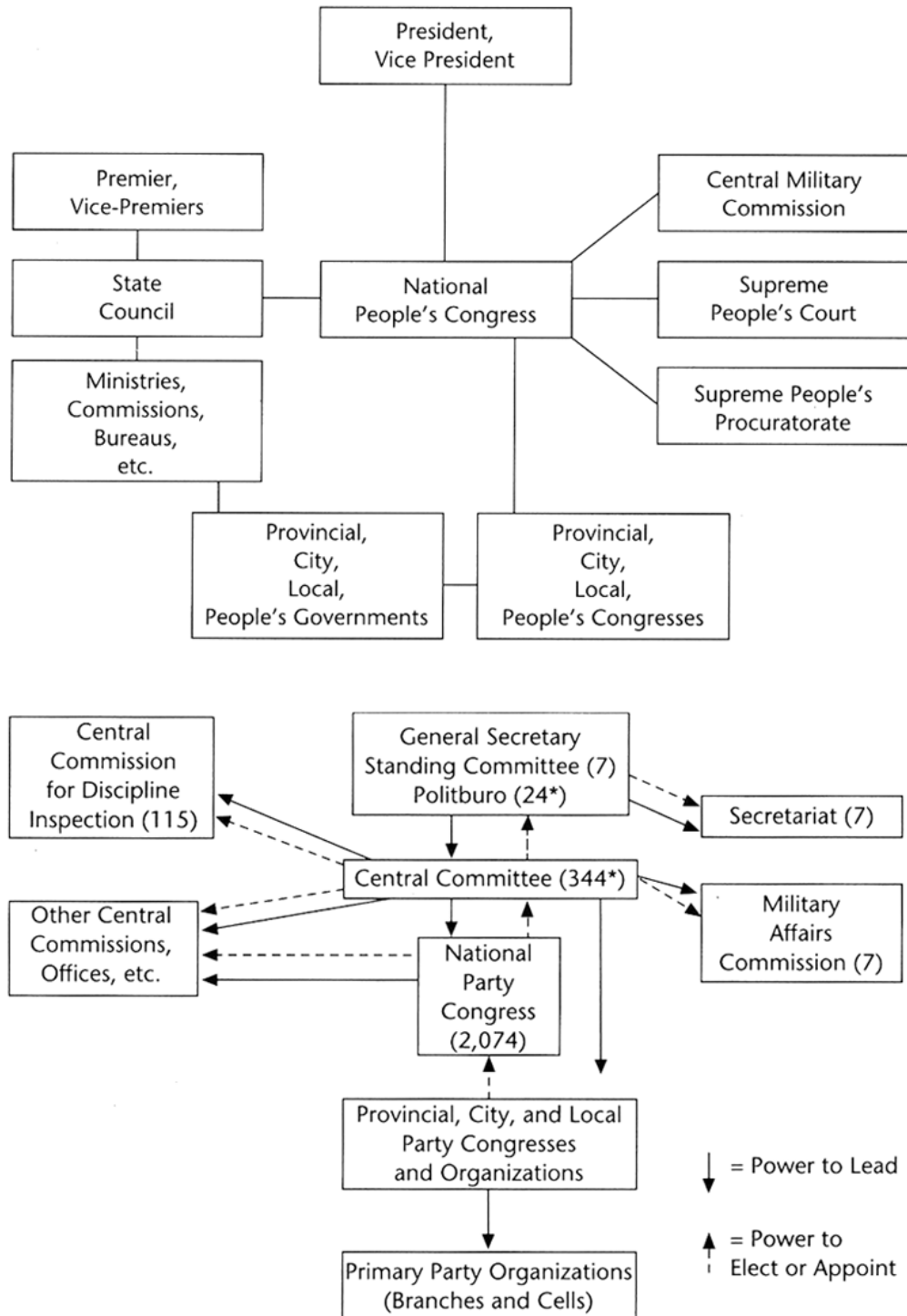
China Department Propaganda



From: Anne-Marie Brady; Marketing Dictatorship: Propoganda and Thought Work in Contemporary China (Lanham; MD: Rowan & Littlefield; 2008); 11.

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China Macro

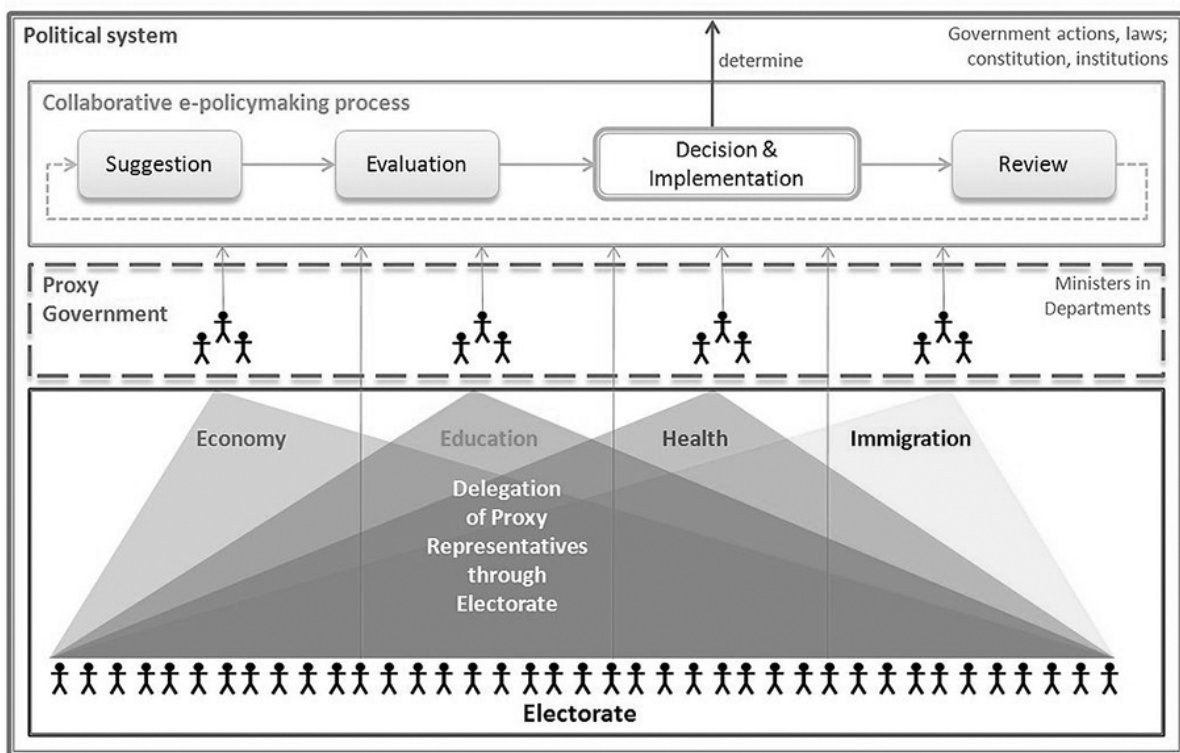


The Chinese Communist Party is organized in parallel to the state itself; and is the only party able to form the government.

From: "William A. Joseph; "China"; in Introduction to Comparative Politics: Political Challenges and Changing Agendas; ed. Mark Kesselman et al. (Boston; MA: Houghton Mifflin Company; 2000); 517."

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Collaborative EDemocracy

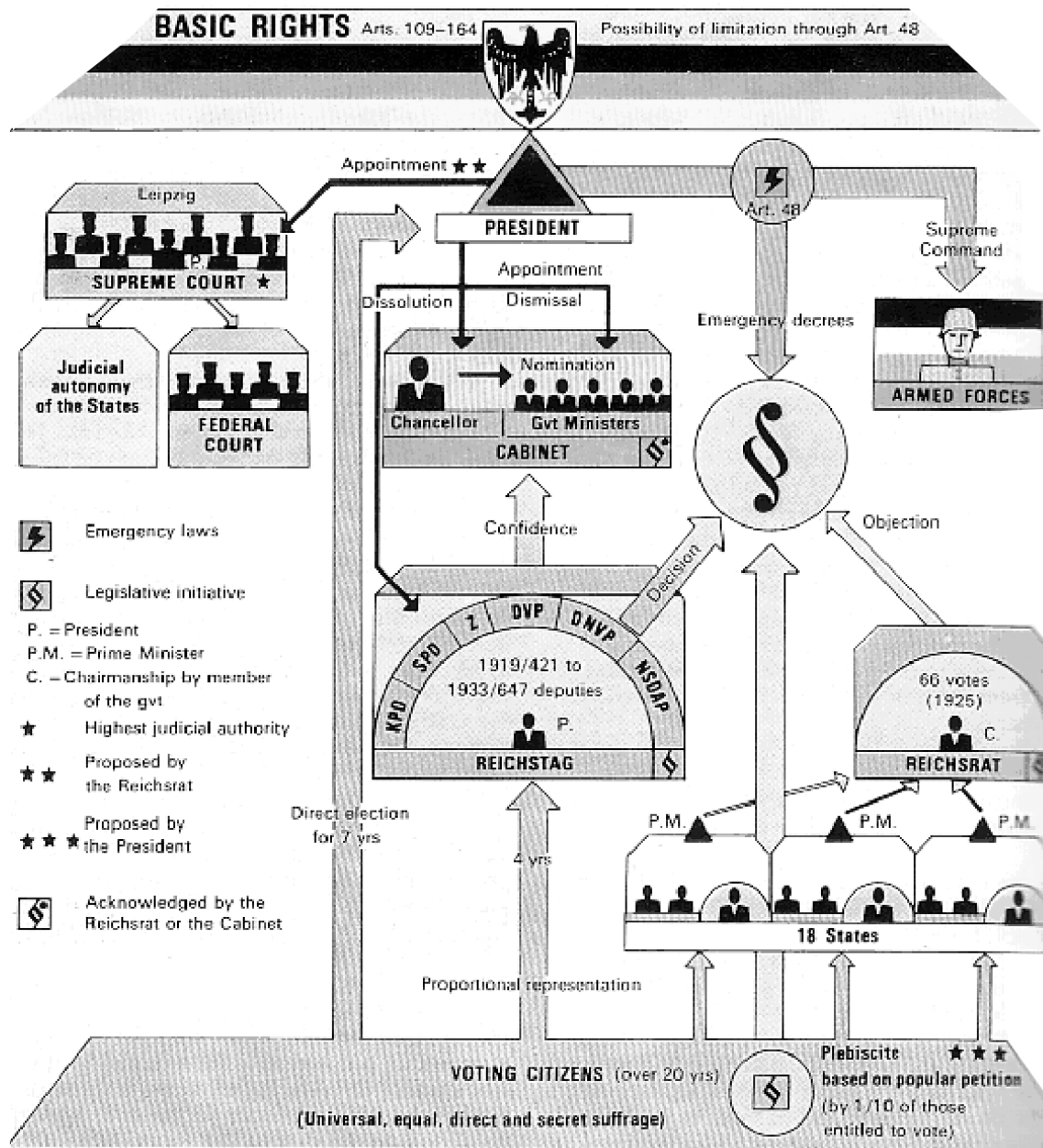


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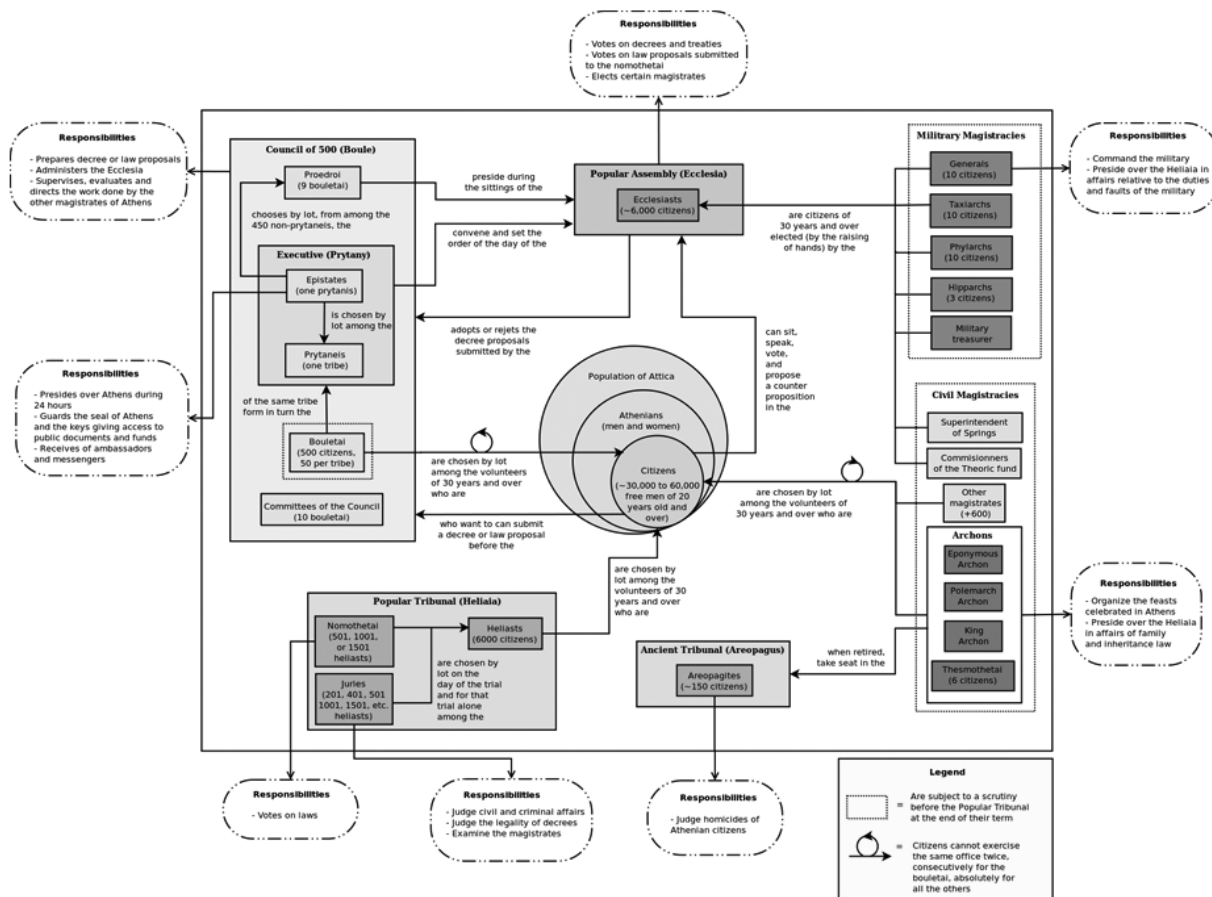
Constitution of Nazi Reichstag in 1920

The Inter-War Period/Germany I (1918-23)



'Weimar Constitution', 1919

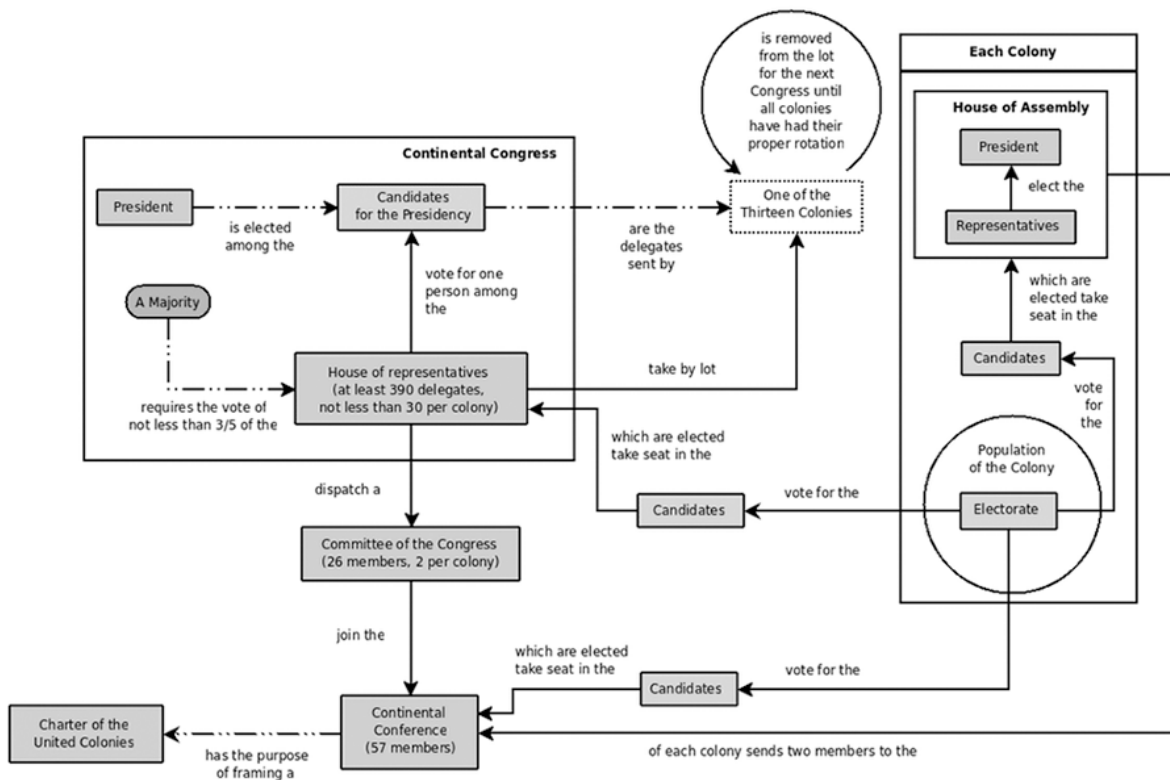
Constitution Of The Athenians in the 4th Century BC



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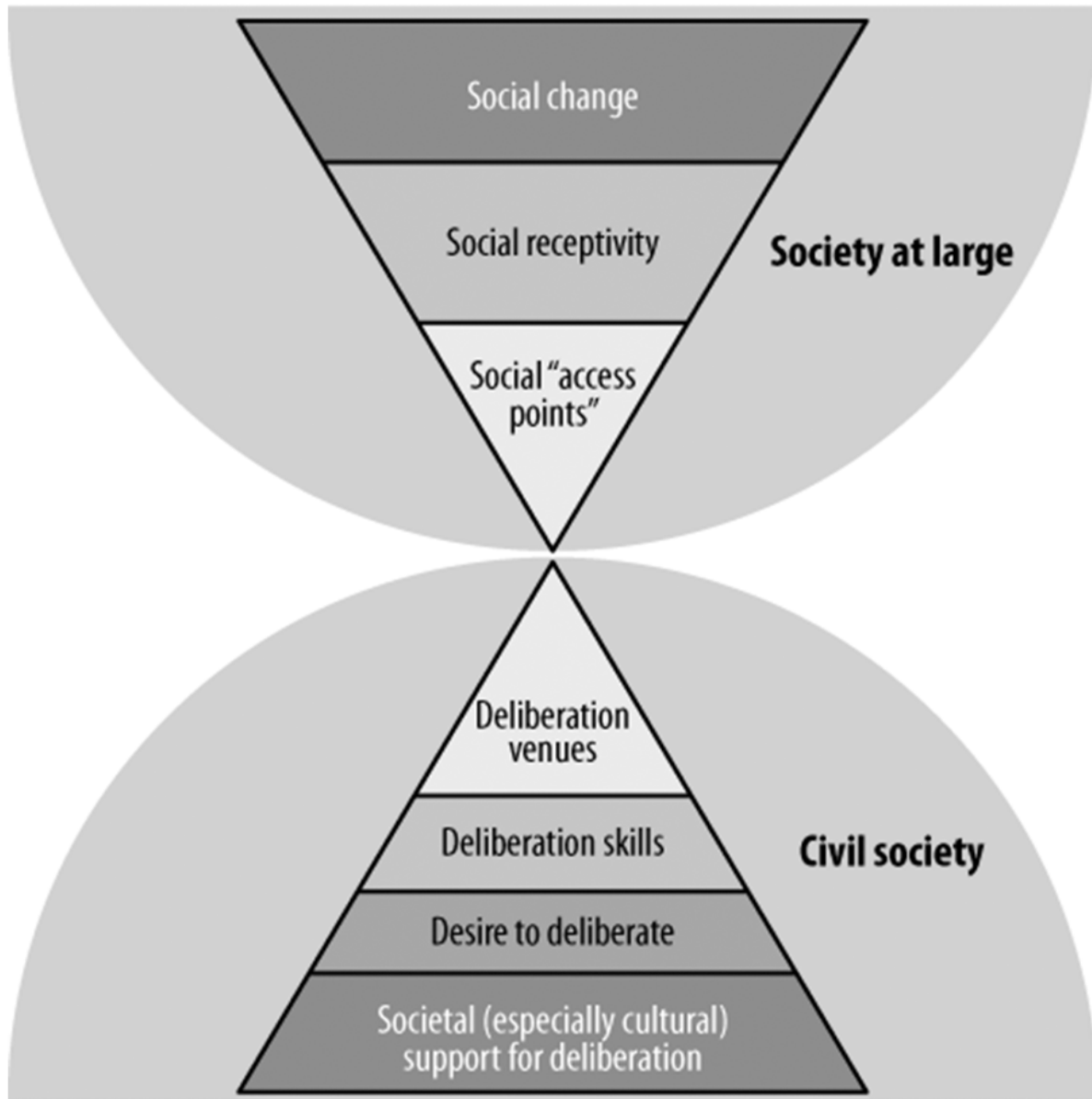
Constitution US Thomas Paine In 1776



From: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Common_Sense_%28pamphlet%29

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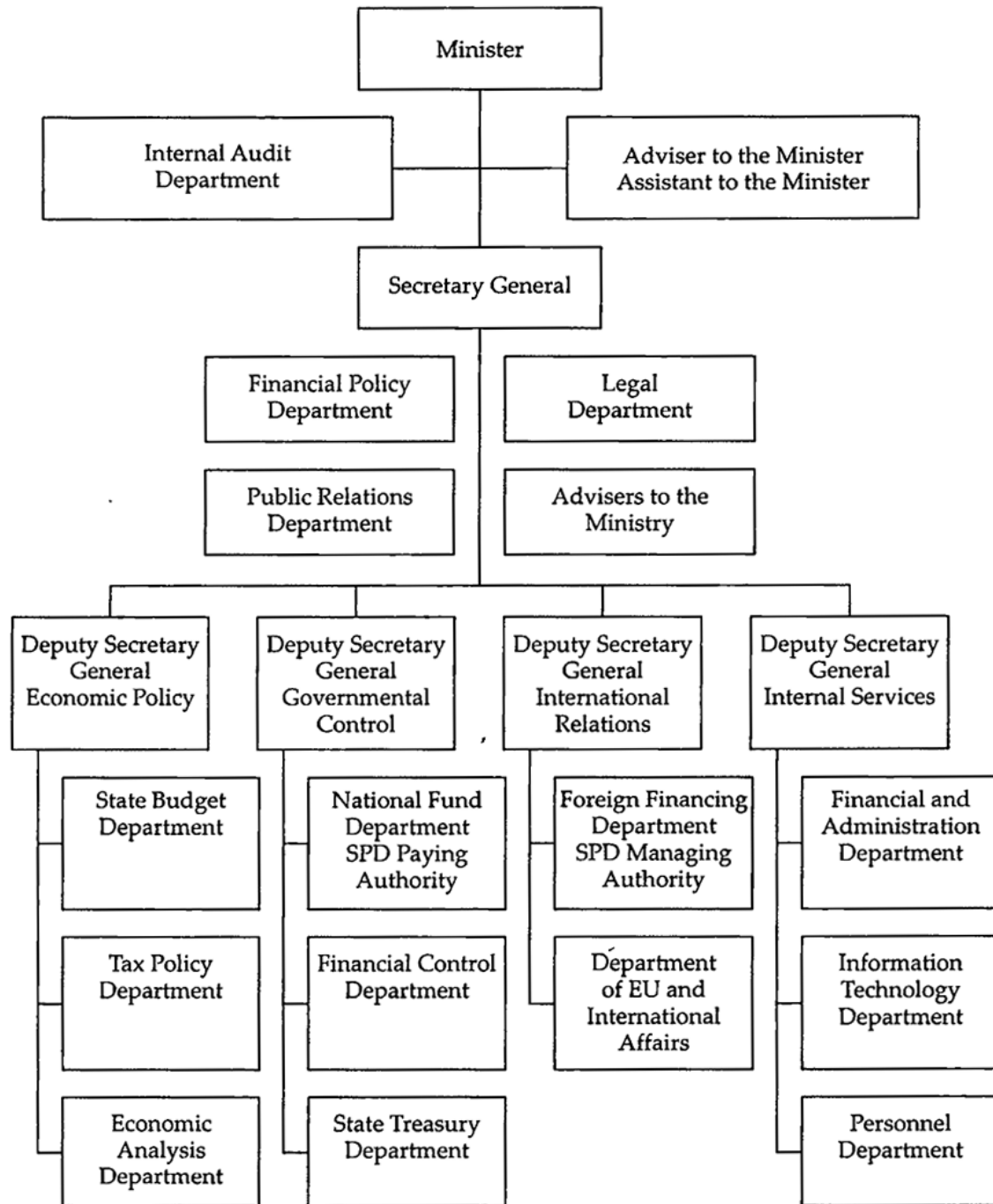
Deliberation Open Government



From: Open Government Collaboration, Transparency, and Participation in Practice By Daniel Lathrop, Laurel Ruma. Publisher: O'Reilly Media

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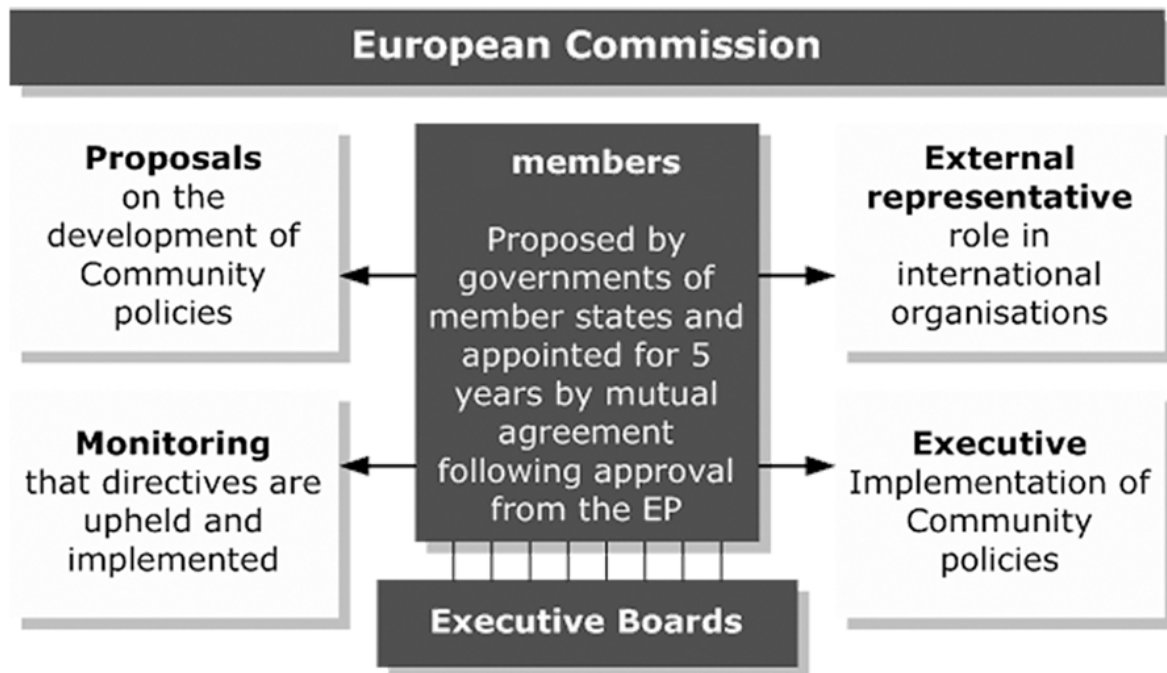
Estonia Department Finance



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EU Executive Commission

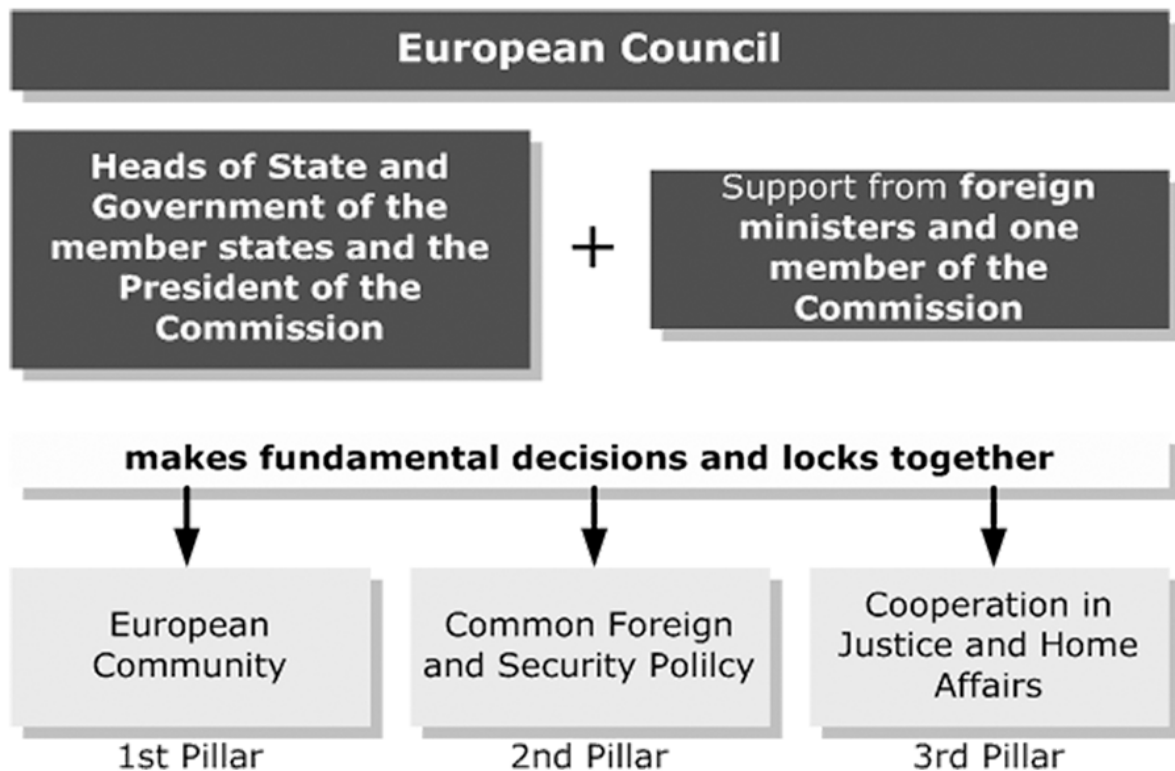


The European Commission is a collective executive responsible for both proposing policies and the administration and execution of policy.

From: http://www.dadalos-europe.org/int/grundkurs4/eu-struktur_1.htm

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EU Executive European Council

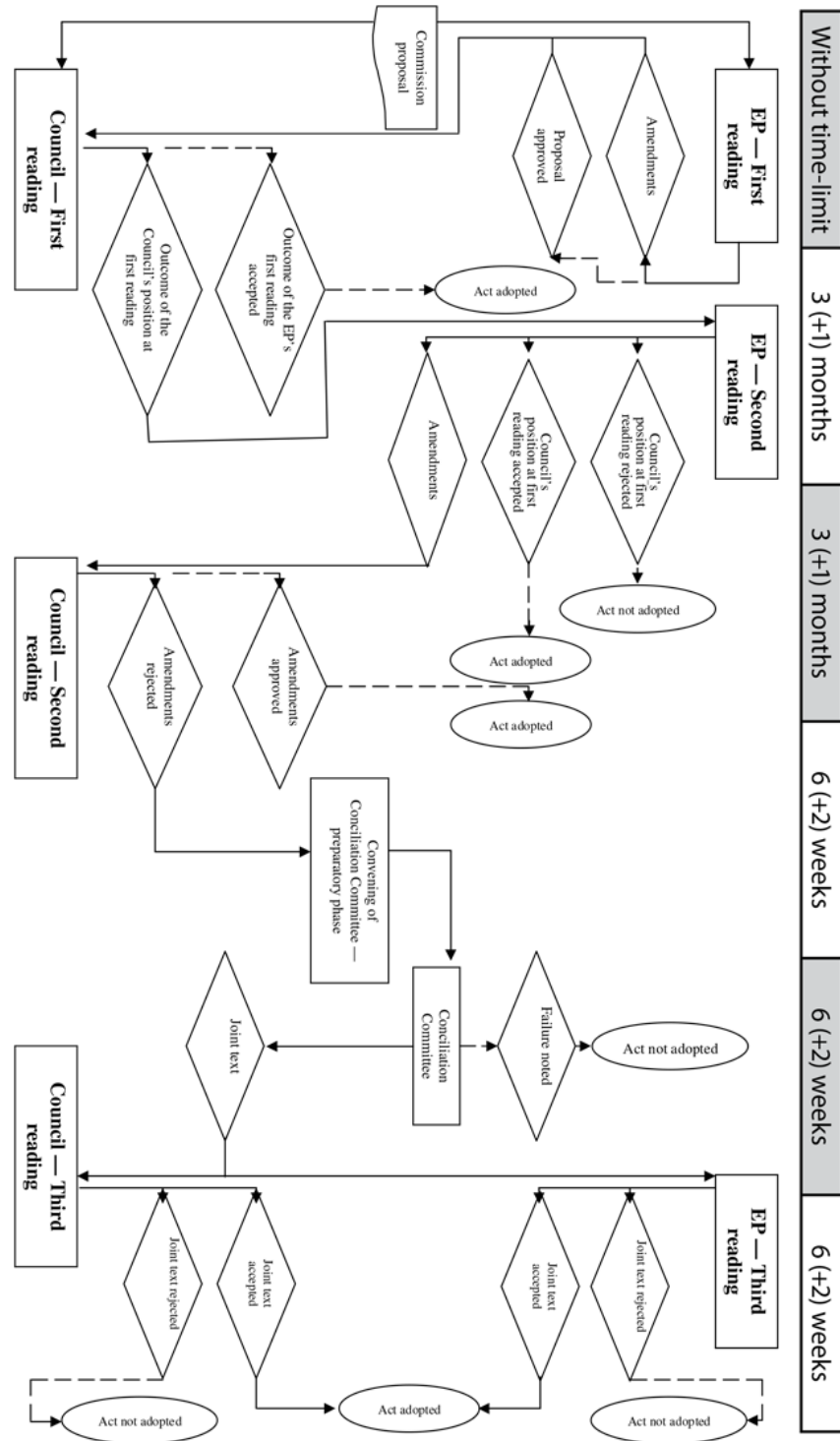


The European Council is composed of the executives of member states and functions as a type of collective presidency; representing the EU in foreign affairs and serving as a forum for EU heads of state and government.

From: http://www.dadalos-europe.org/int/grundkurs4/eu-struktur_2.htm

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EU Legislative

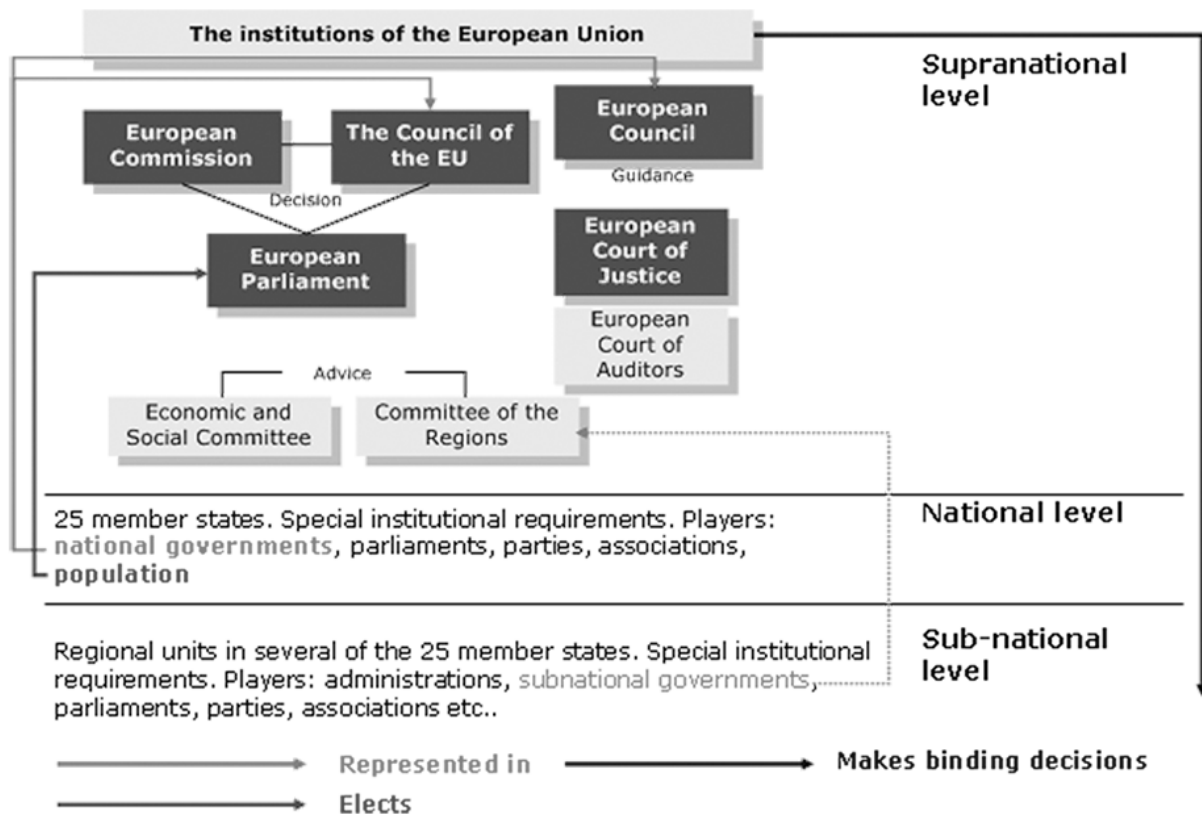


The European Union's legislative process involves both the European Parliament (EP) and the Council of the European Union (Council).

From: General Secretariat of the Council; Guide to the Ordinary Legislative Procedure (Luxembourg: Publications Office of the European Union; 2011.); 47.

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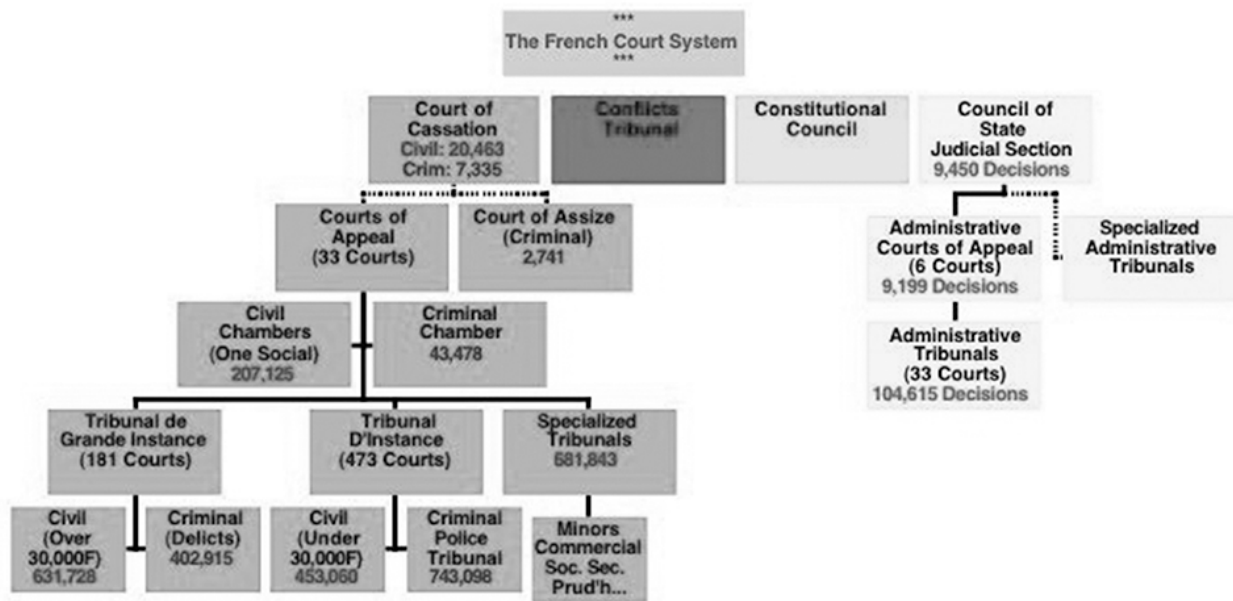
EU Macro



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France Judicial

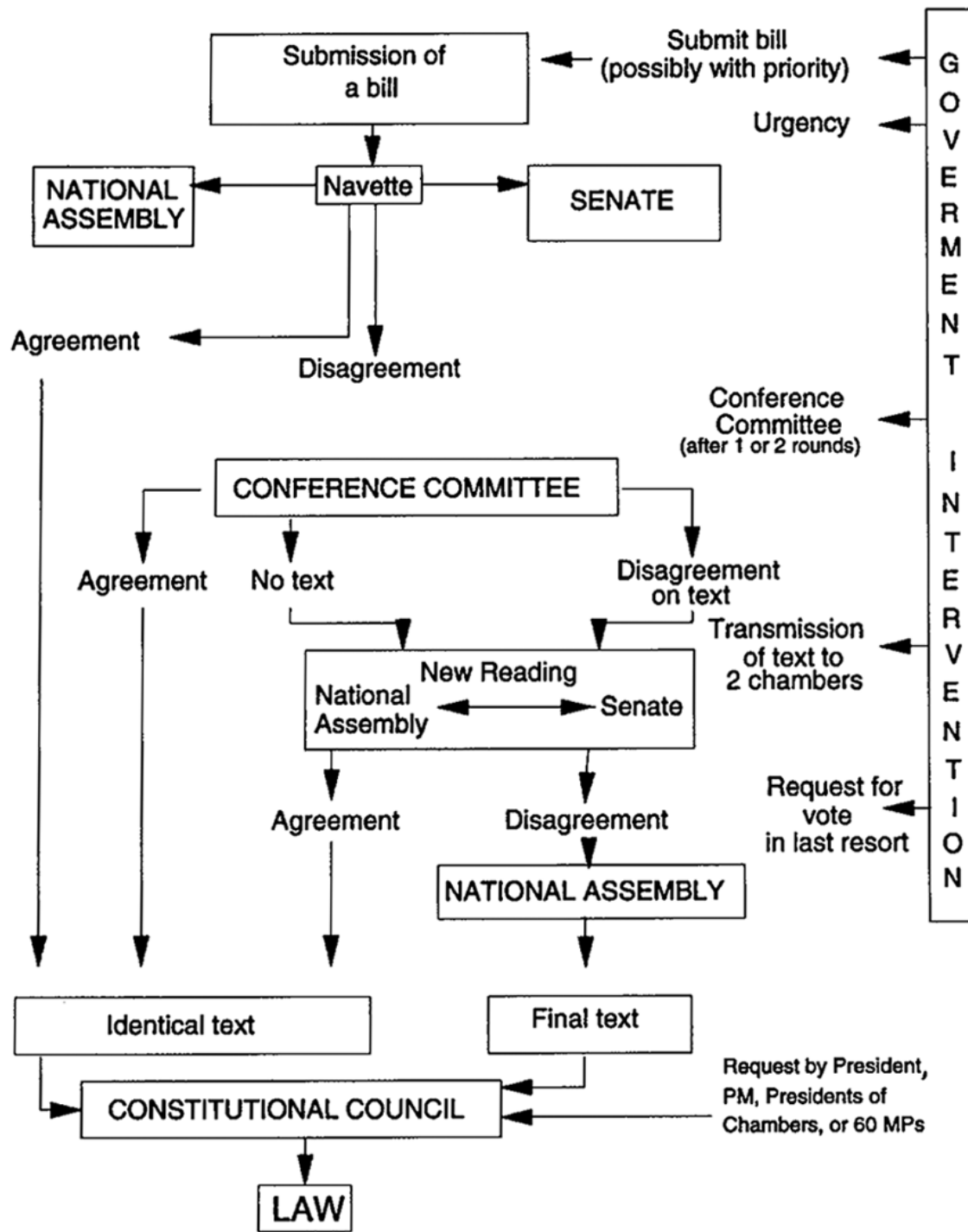


The Conflicts Tribunal; or Jurisdictional Court; decides on conflicts between the Constitutional Court and the Court of Cassation; or Supreme Court Civil Court.

From: <http://nersp.osg.ufl.edu/~malavet/comparat/notes/new11.htm>

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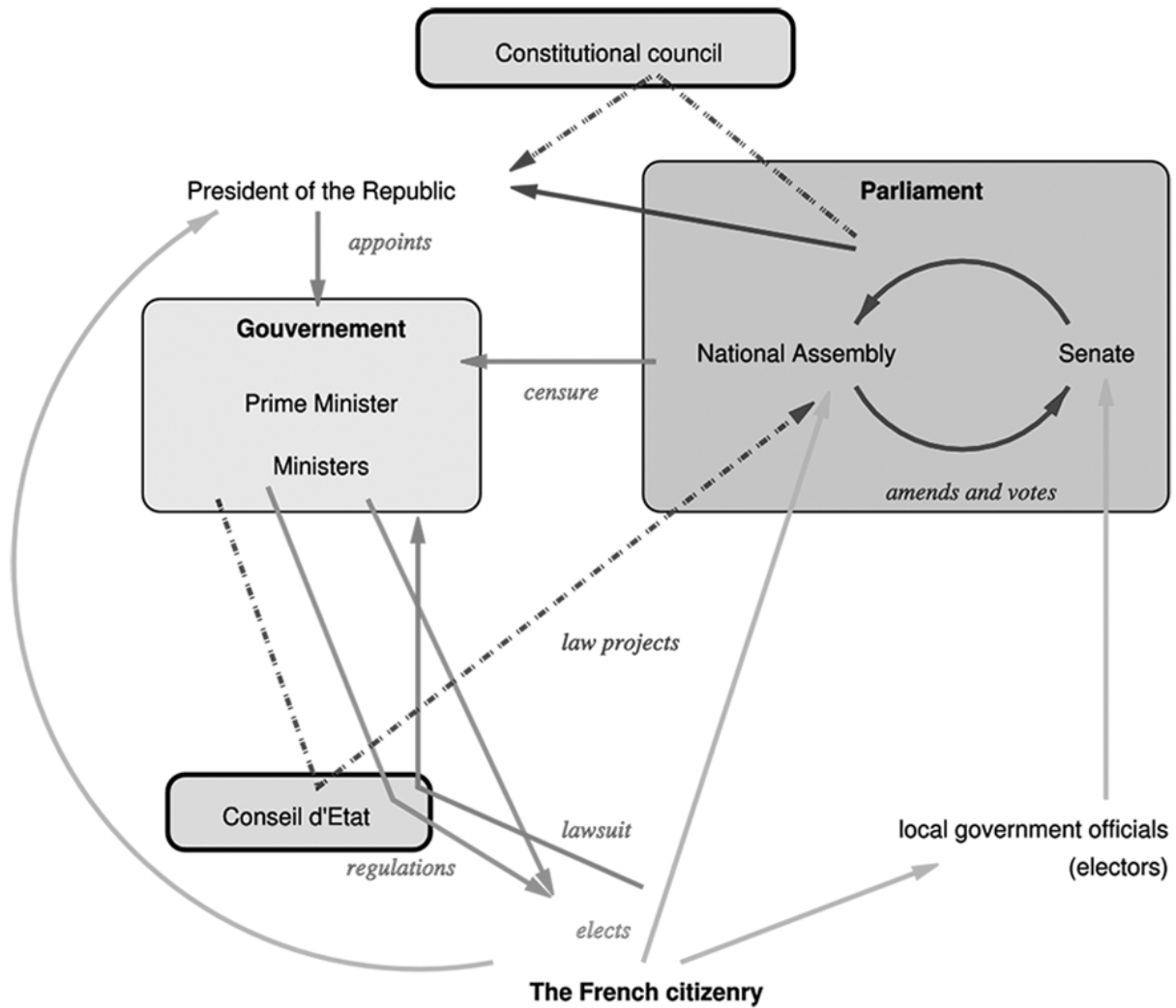
France Legislative



The Constitution Council vets the constitutionality of all legislation before it can become law. The Council is made up of living former Presidents of the Republic; and three members each appointed by the current President of the Republic; President of the Senate; and President of the Assembly.

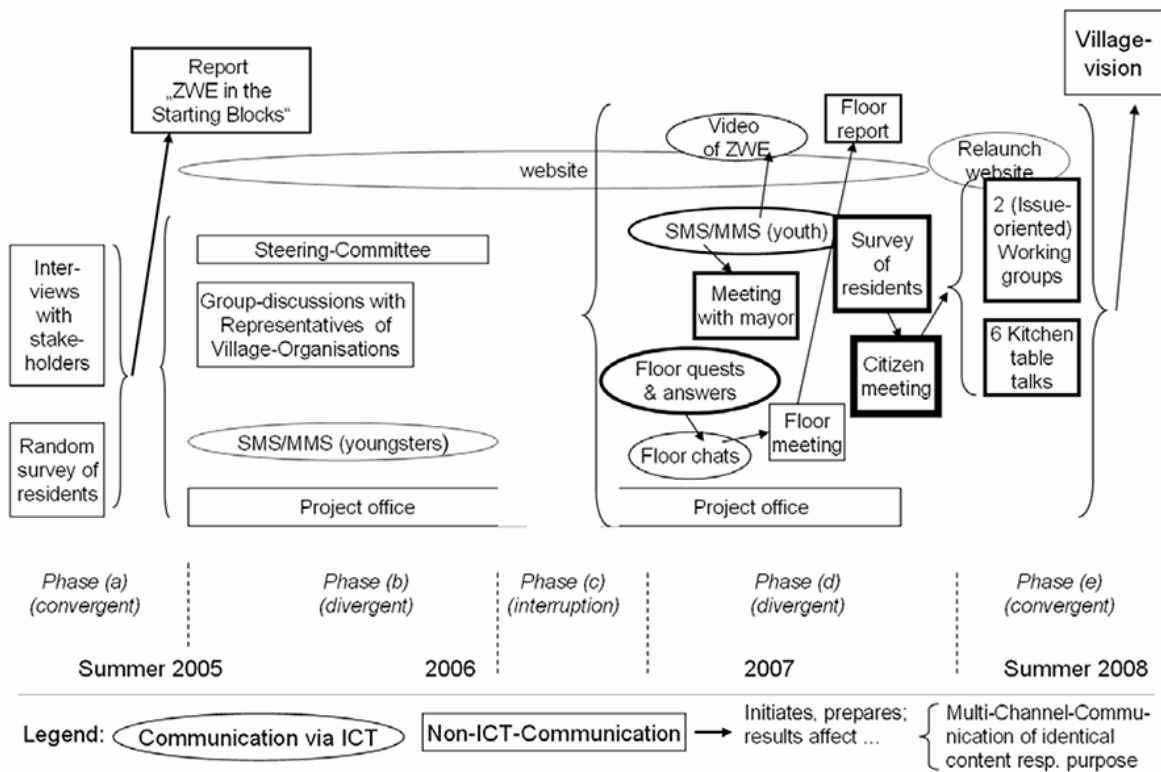
From: George Tsebelis and Jeannette Money; *Bicameralism* (Cambridge; UK: Cambridge Uni. Press; 1997); 130.

France Macro



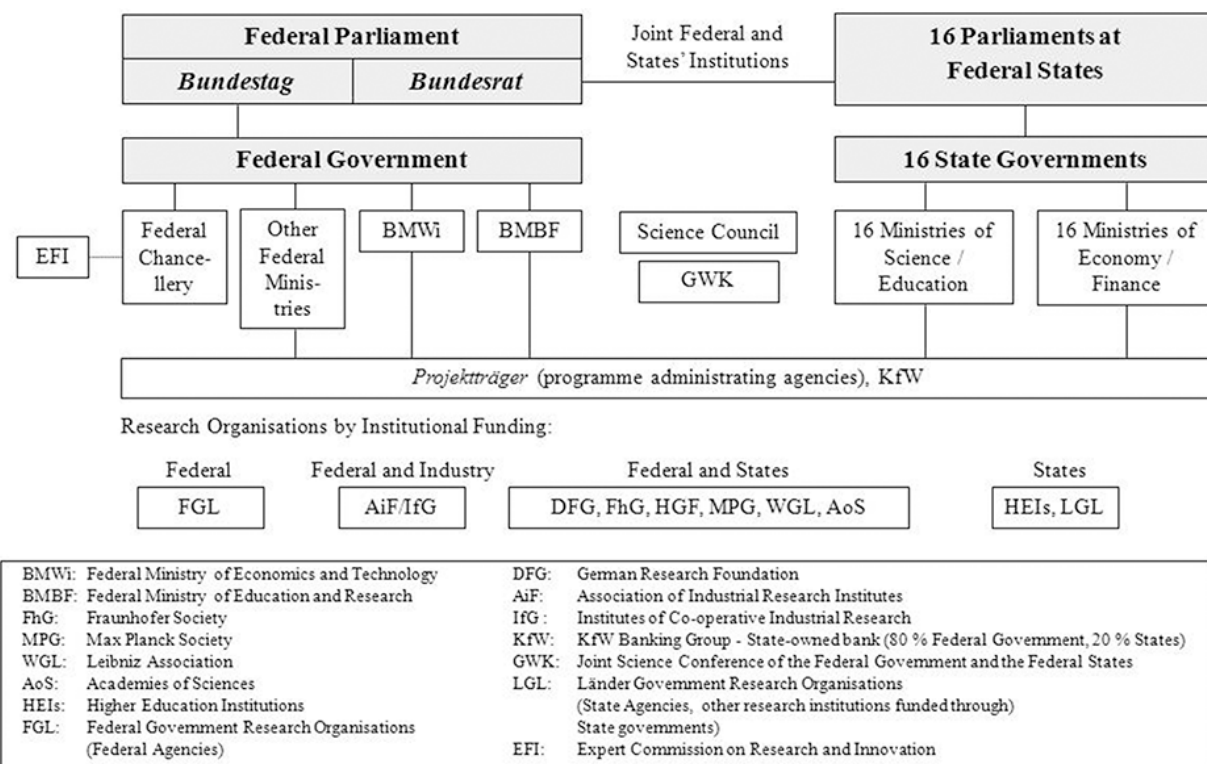
From: ""French government""
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Government_of_France#mediaviewer/File:French_government.png
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German ICT Participation Procedure 2008



Germany Budgeting Research

Public Institutions in German Research and Innovation

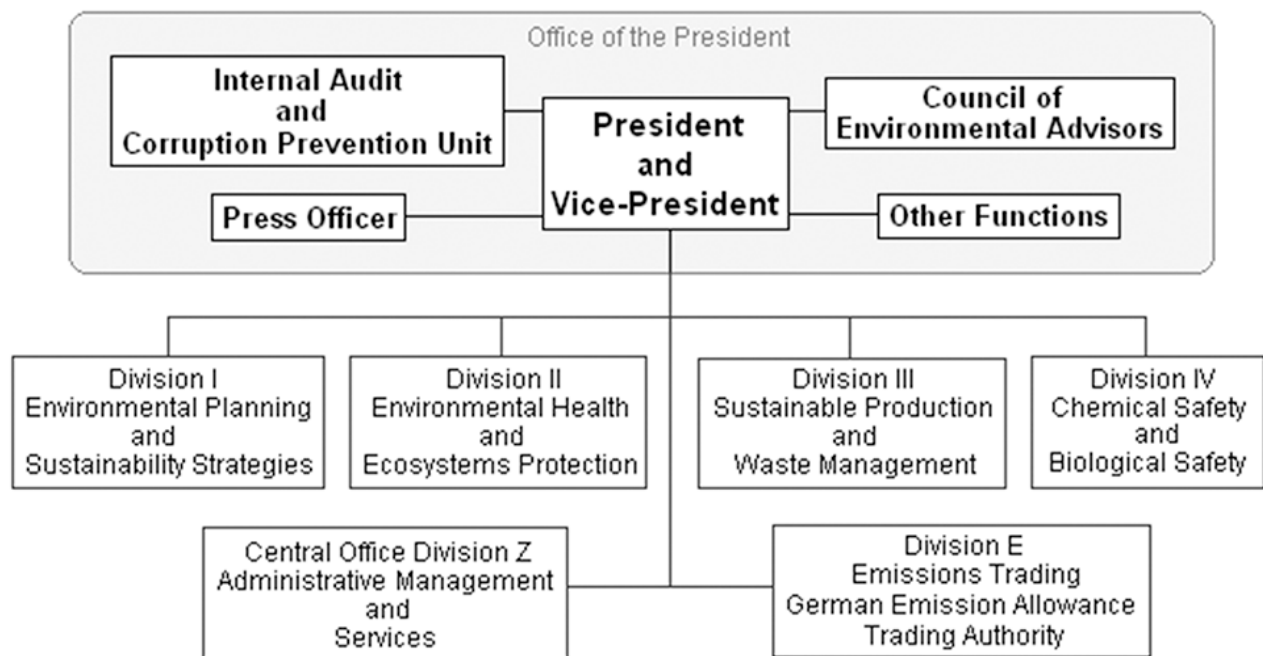


The allocation of funds for basic research in Germany is a product of coordination between state and federal representatives; most of which are associated with respective ministries of education; technology; and the like.

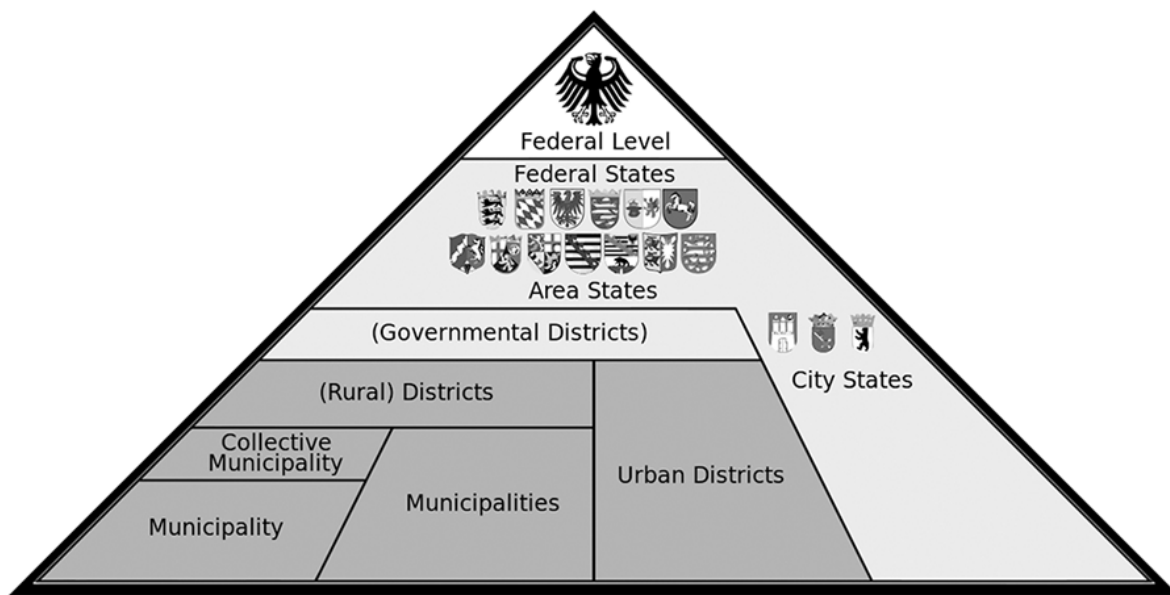
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Germany Environmental Agency



Germany Geographic

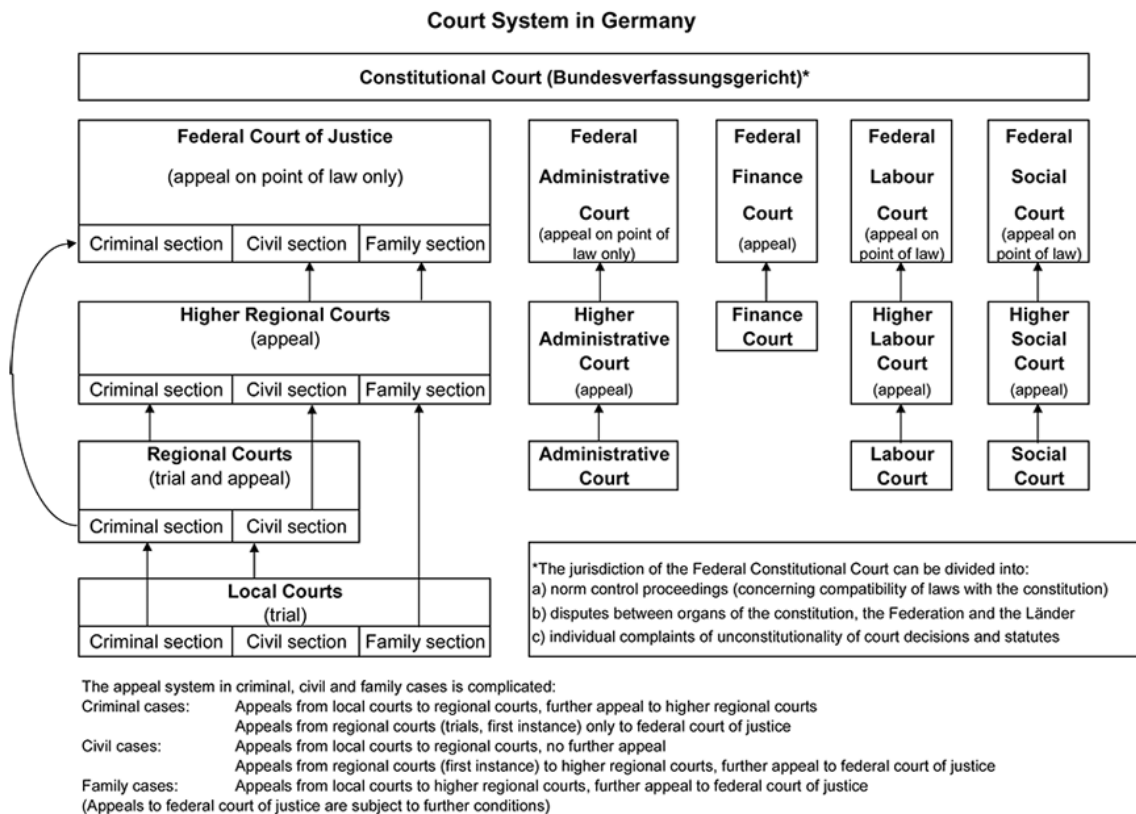


While it is common in federal and unitary states for the capital city to have some unique status or special measure of autonomy; Germany is unique in having 3 city-states; including Hamburg and Bremen in addition to Berlin. The city-states are represented at the federal level as Lander and have city- and state-authority consolidated at the local level.

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Germany Judicial

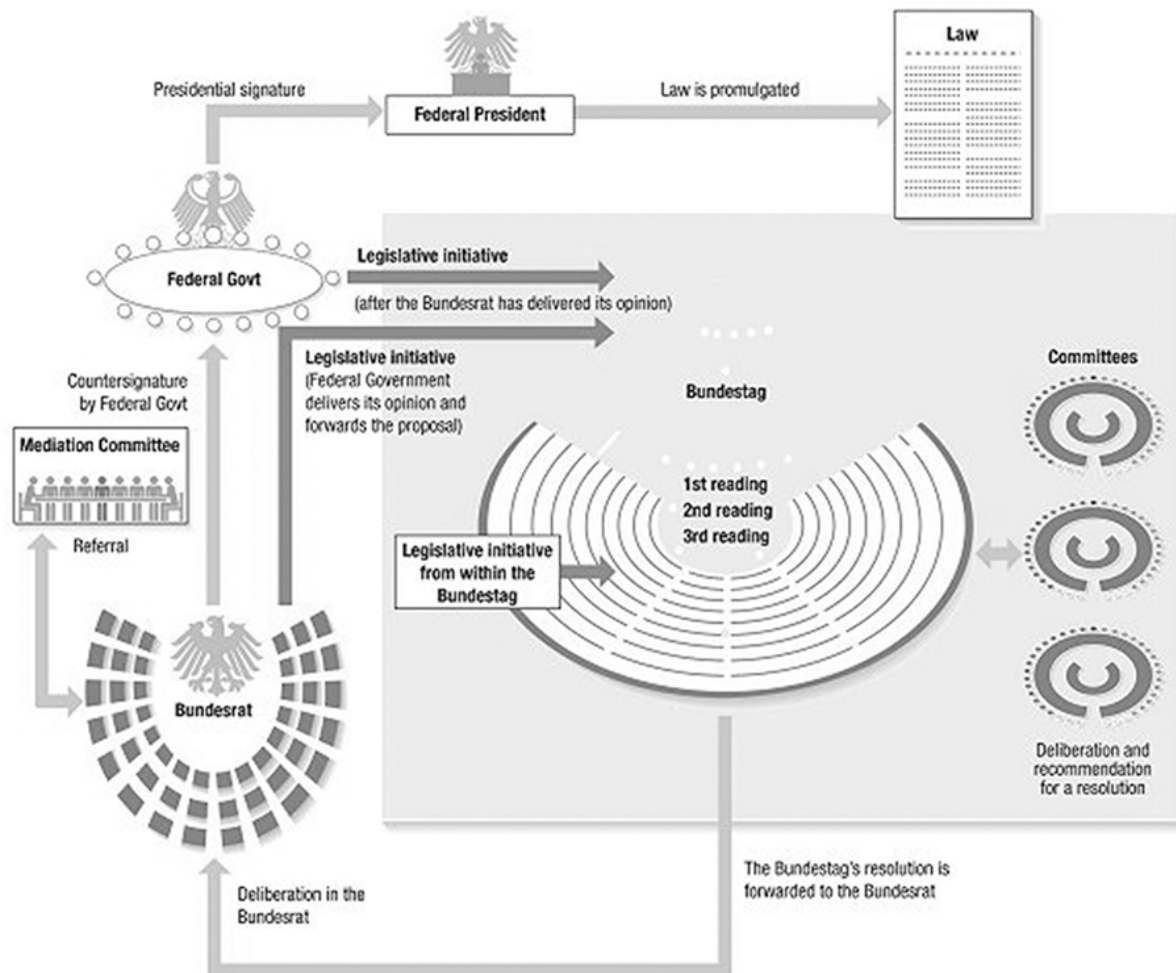


The German Federal Finance; Labor; and Social Courts are relatively unique to the German system and handle claims related to taxes; labor disputes; and social security respectively.

From: <http://nersp.osg.ufl.edu/~malavet/comparat/notes/new11.htm>

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Germany Legislative

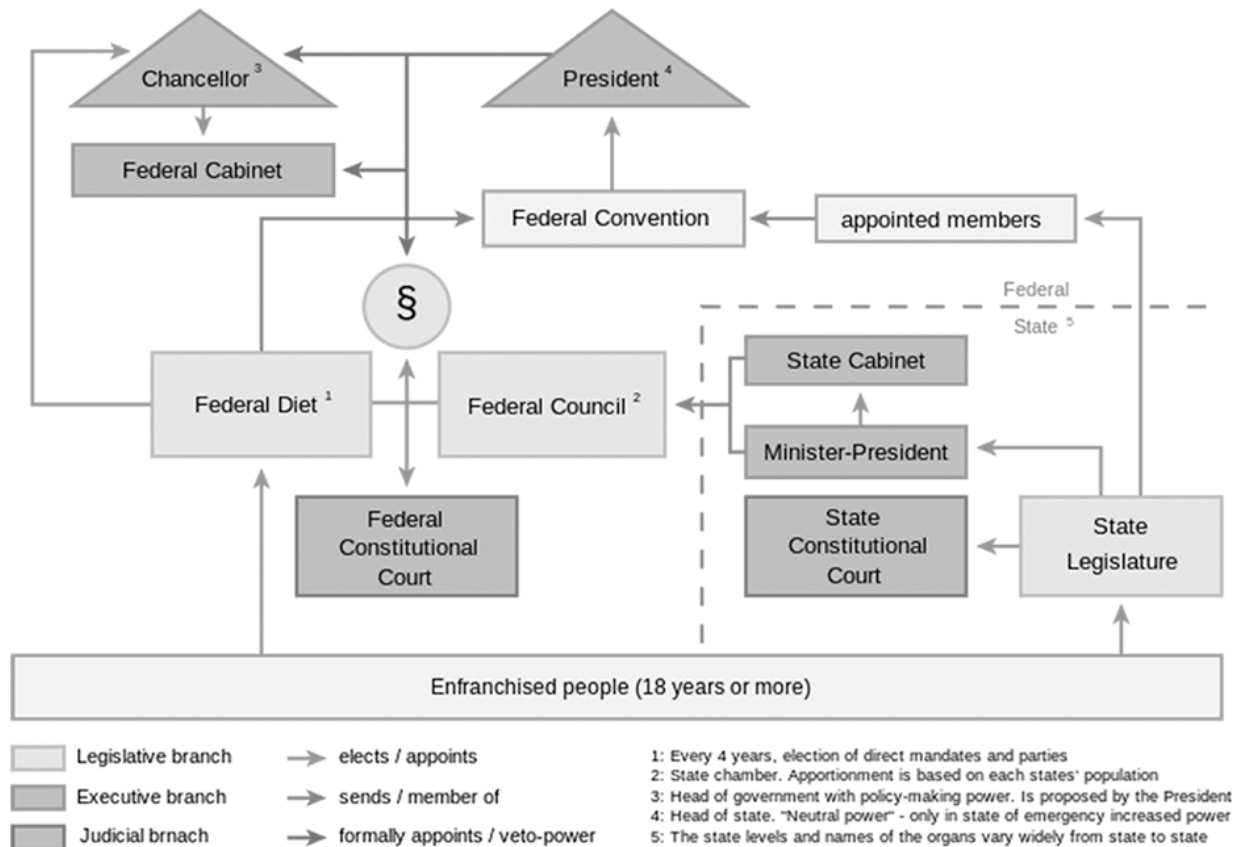


In Germany's federal system one of the legislative chambers; the Federal Council or Bundesrat; is constituted by representatives from the State Governments.

From: https://www.bundestag.de/htdocs_e/bundestag/function/legislation

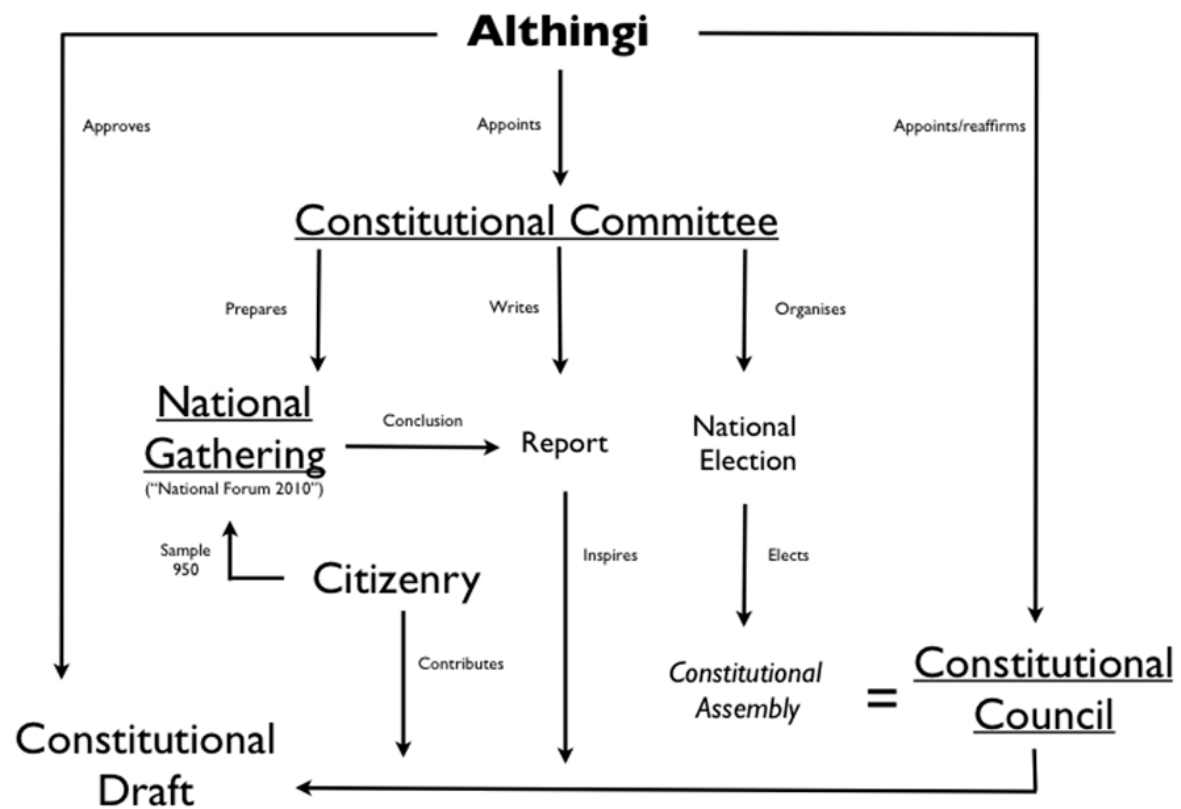
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Germany Macro



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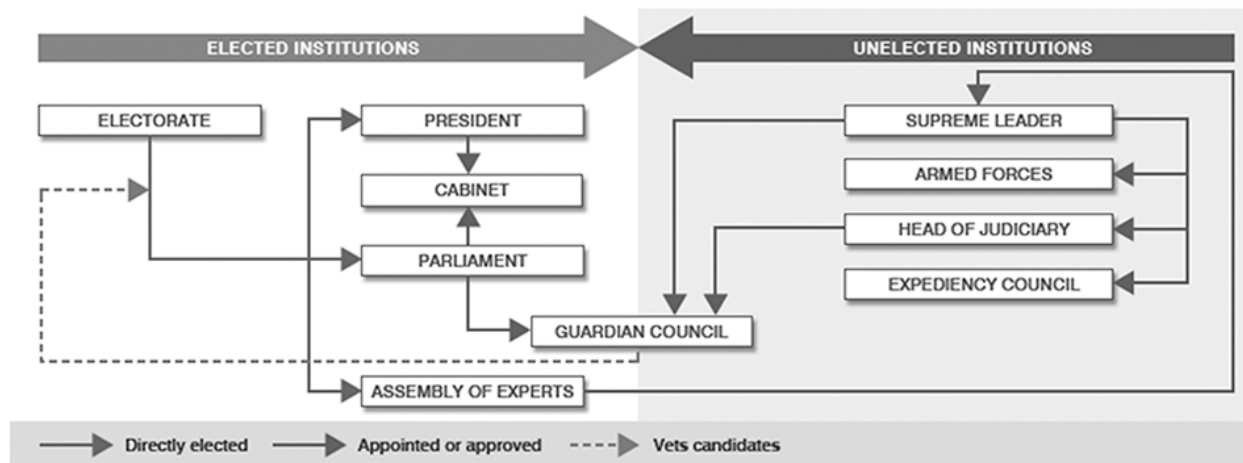
Icelandic Constitutional Council 2011



From: <http://participedia.net/en/cases/icelandic-constitutional-council-2011>

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Iran Macro

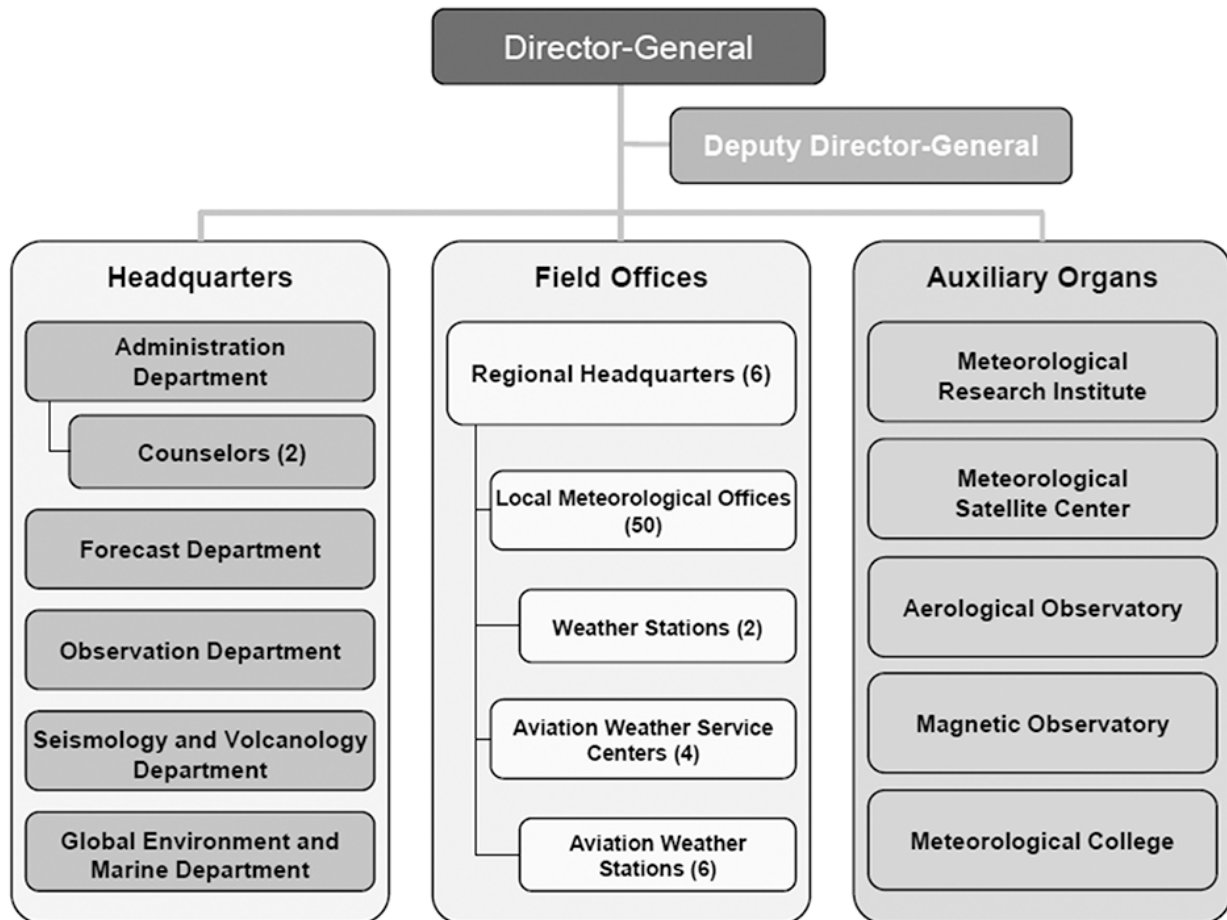


Iran has an elected parliament and president in addition to its unelected religious and judicial leaders. However; the unelected Guardian Council has the ability to vet candidates for elected office and nullify laws duly passed by the legislature.

From: http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/middle_east/8051750.stm

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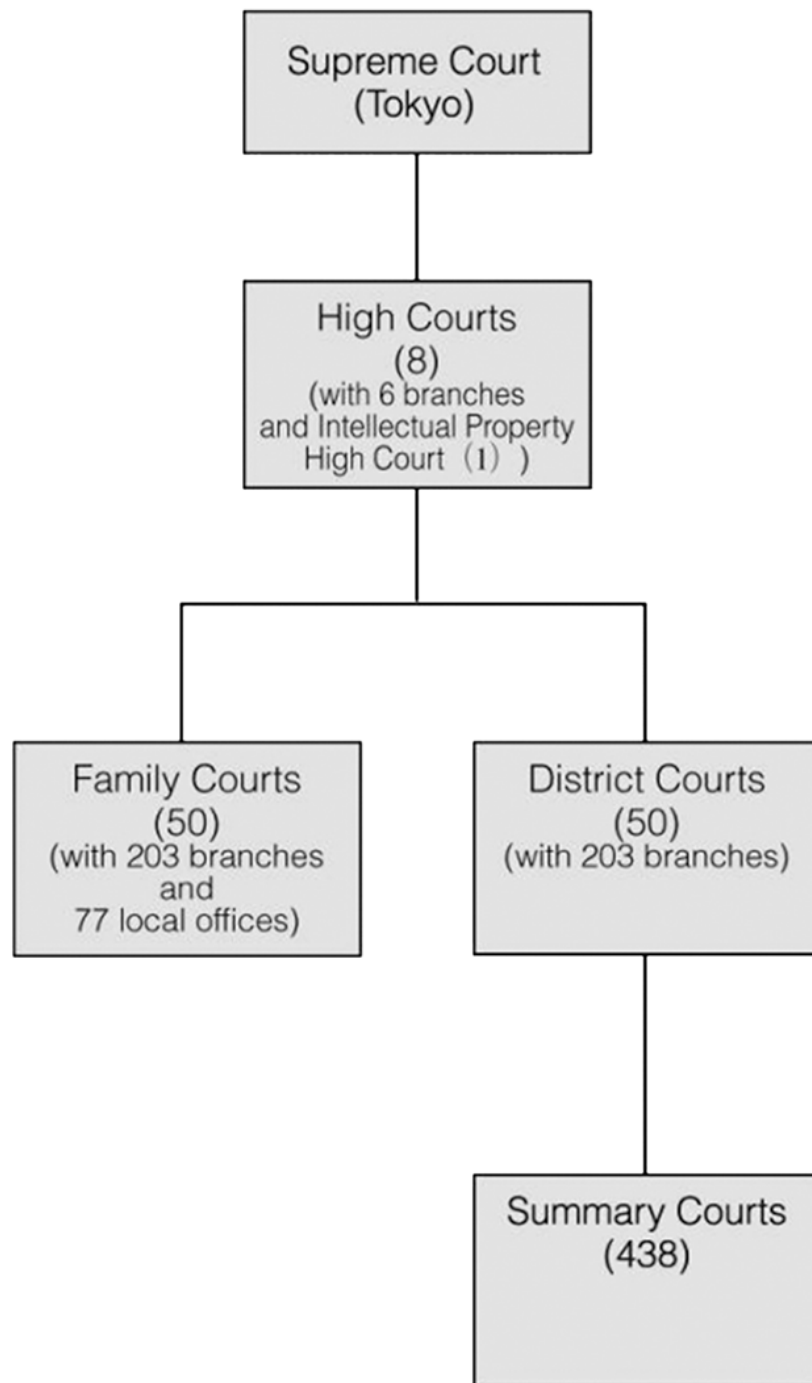
Japan Department Meteorological



From: <http://www.jma.go.jp/jma/en/Background/structure.png>

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Japan Judicial

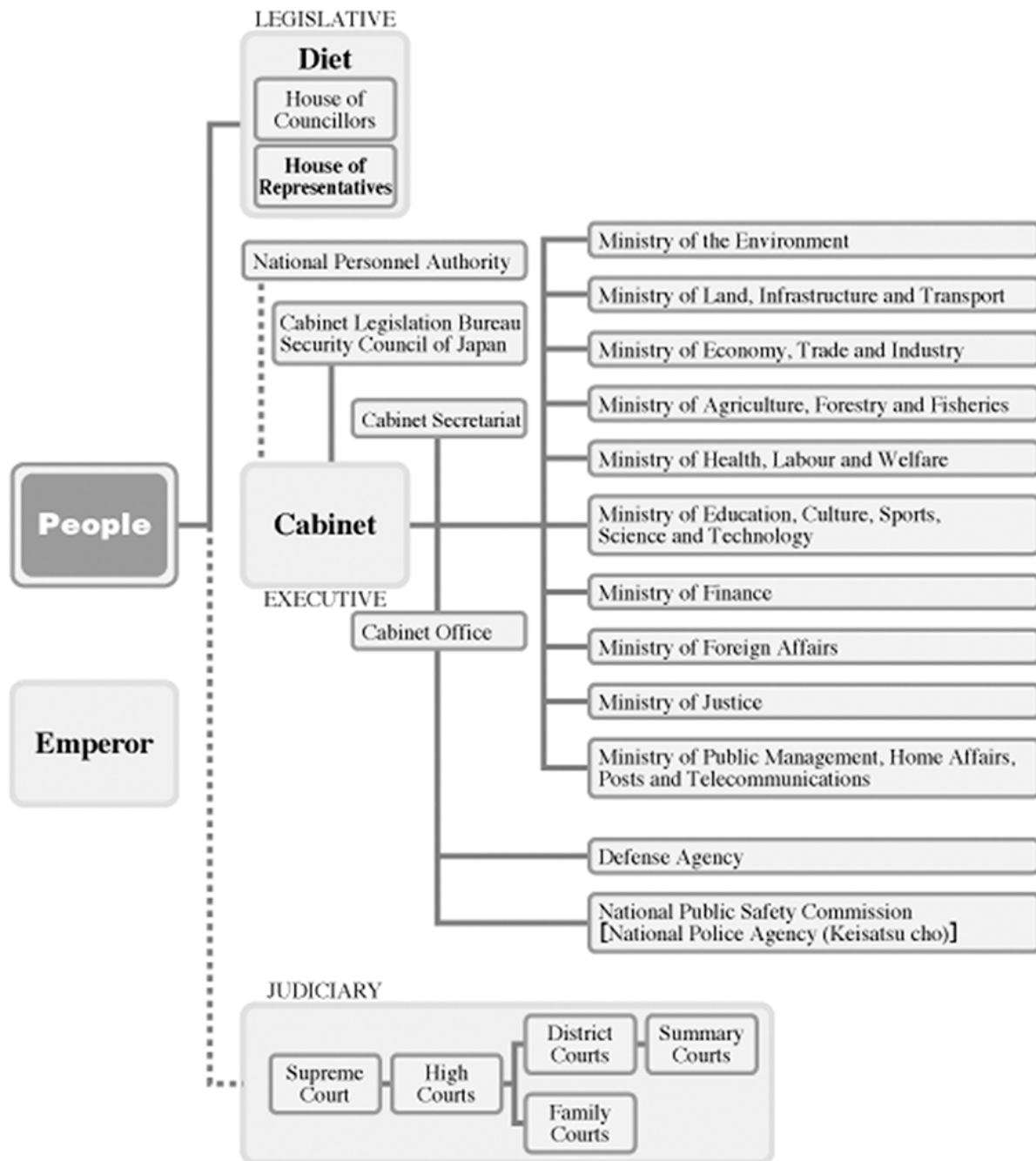


Family and non-family law in Japan is primarily dealt with in separate court hierarchies; but at the higher levels a single court hierarchy is used for both.

From: http://www.courts.go.jp/english/judicial_sys/overview_of/overview/index.html

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Japan Macro

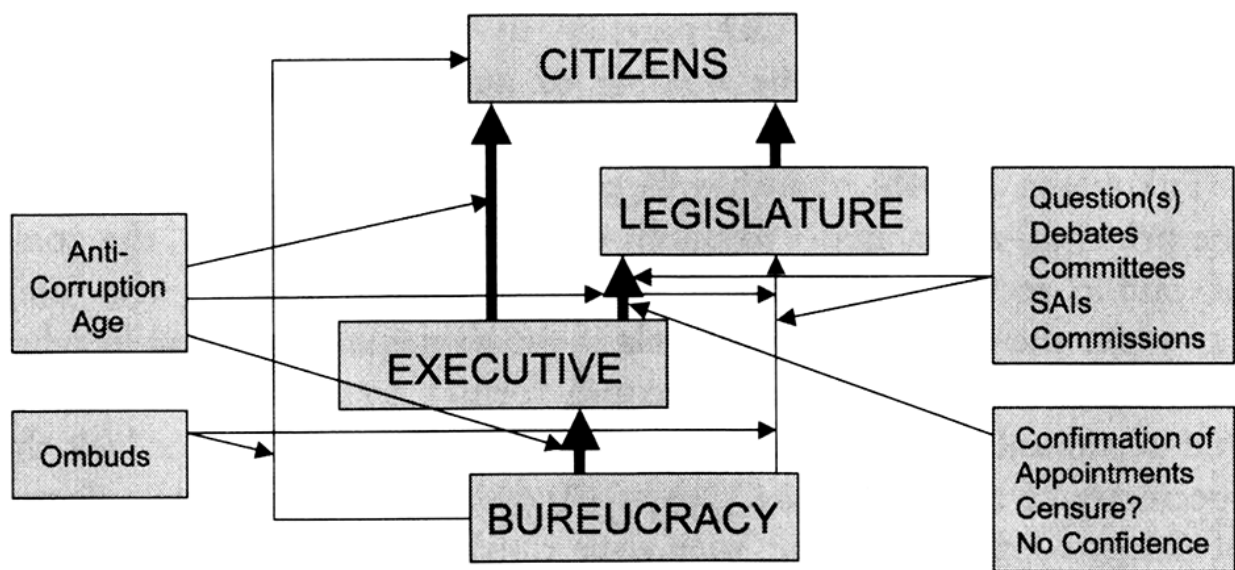


The Emperor of Japan serves a ceremonial role only.

From: http://www.sf.us.emb-japan.go.jp/en/e_m08_01_08.htm

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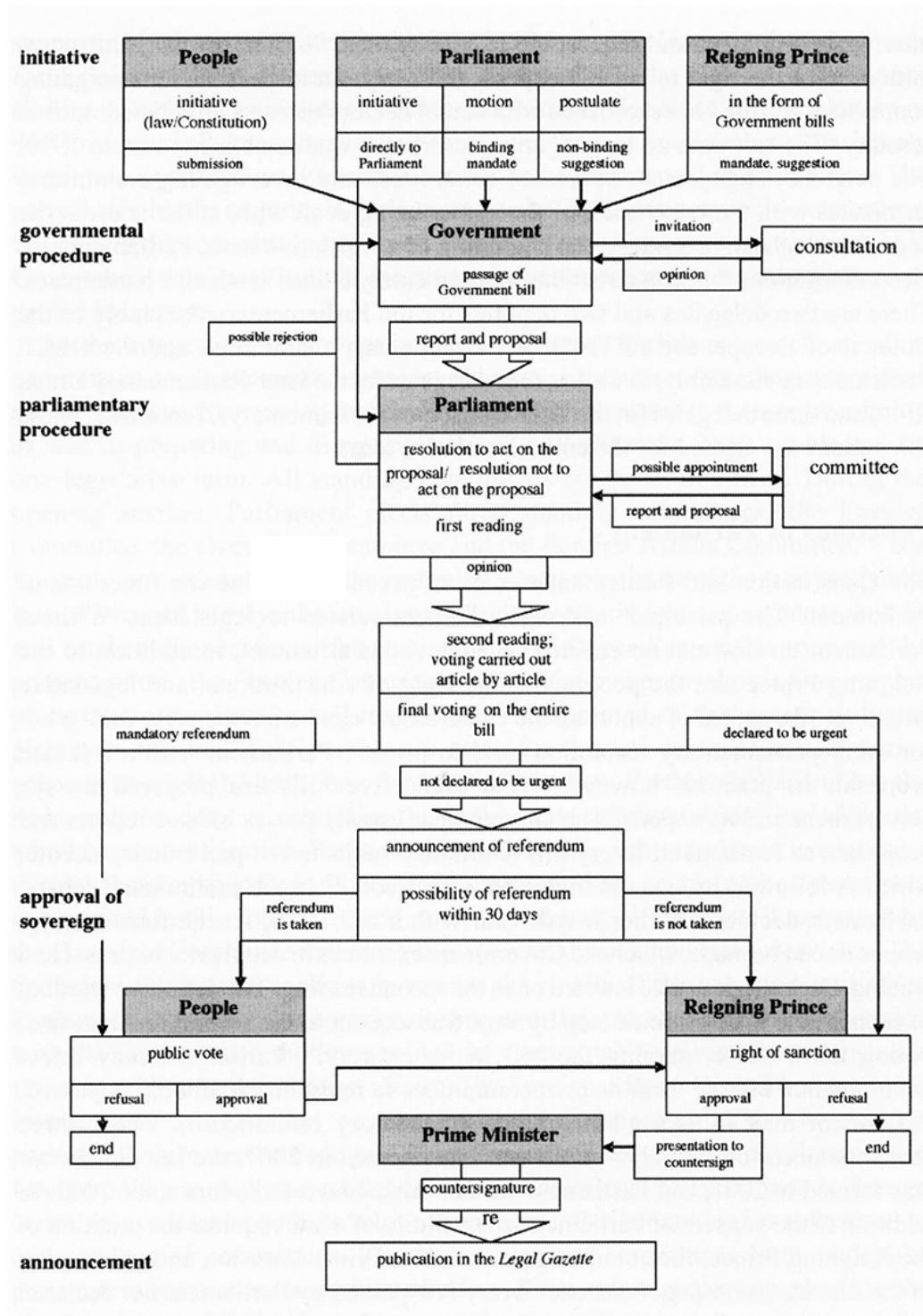
Legislative Oversight Theory



From: Parliamentary Oversight Tools: A Comparative Analysis. Riccardo Pelizzo, Frederick Staphenurst
Routledge, Jun 17, 2013 - Political Science

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Liechtenstein Legislative



In Liechtenstein both the People and the Prince function as sovereign; though approval of legislation by the population is only sometimes required.

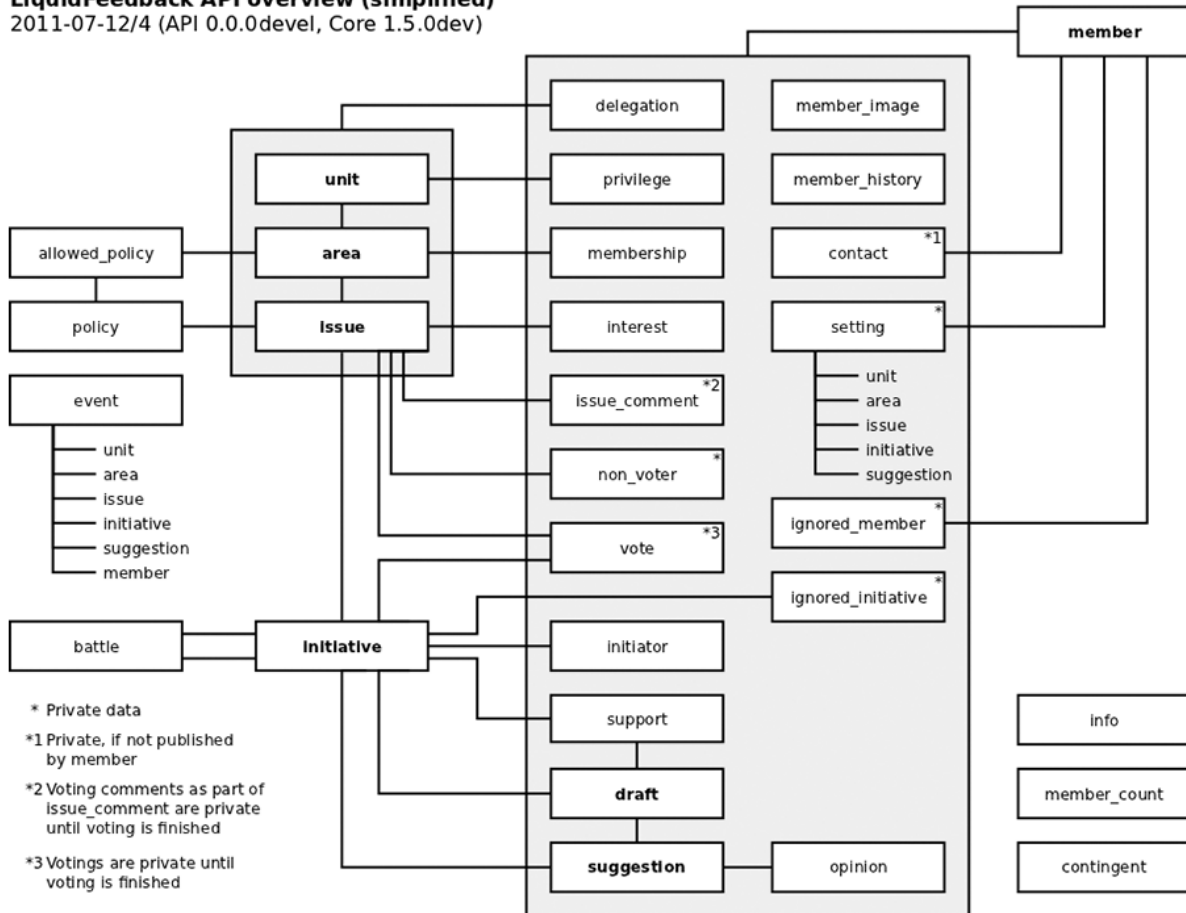
From: "Marion Frick-Tabarelli; "The Parliament of the Principality of Liechtenstein;" in Legislatures of Small States: A Comparative Study; ed. Nicholas D J Baldwin (New York: Routledge; 2013); 60."

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Pirate Party Liquid Feedback

LiquidFeedback API overview (simplified)

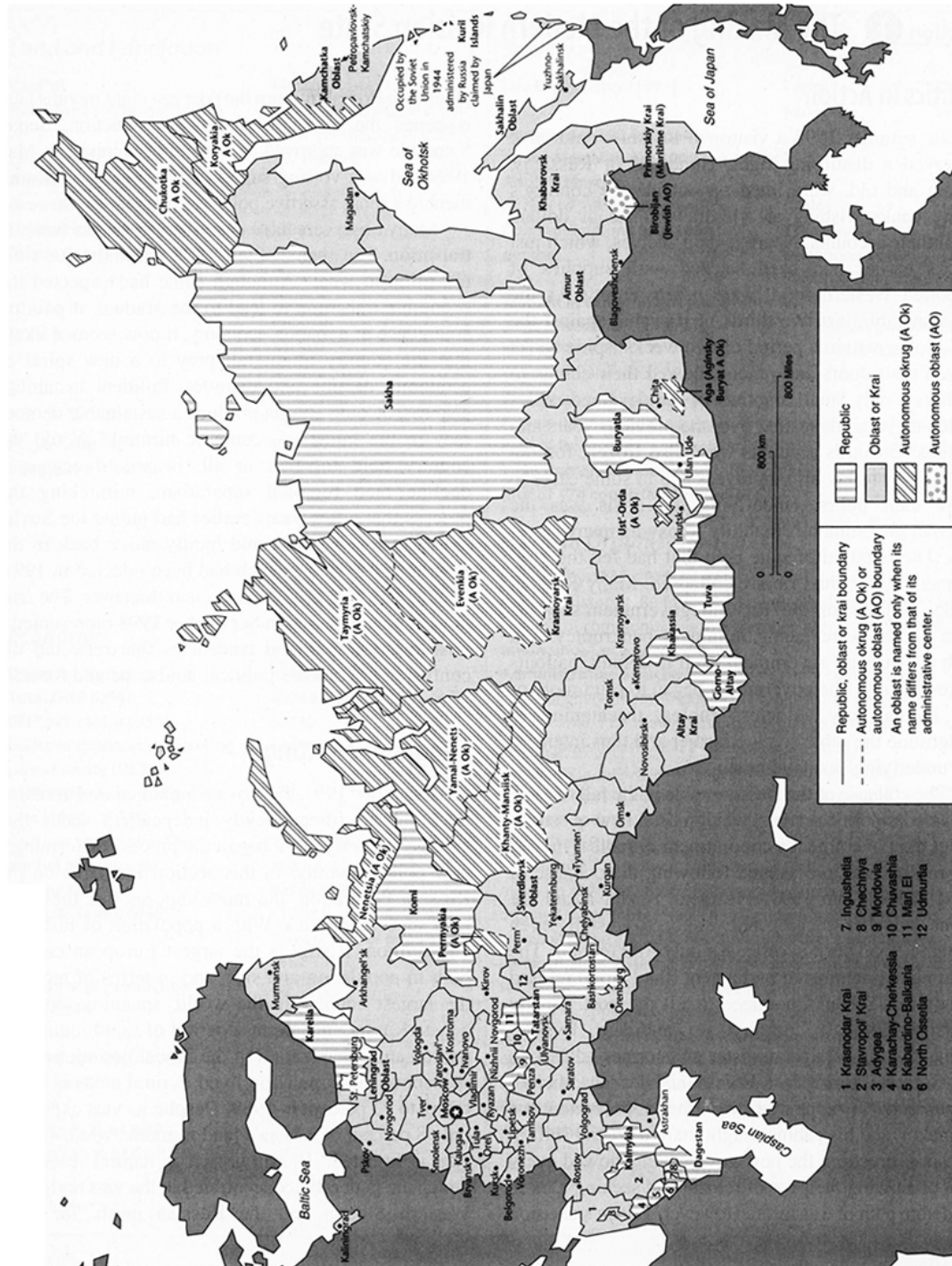
2011-07-12/4 (API 0.0.0dev, Core 1.5.0dev)



From: <http://dev.liquidfeedback.org/trac/lf/wiki/API>

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Russia Geographic

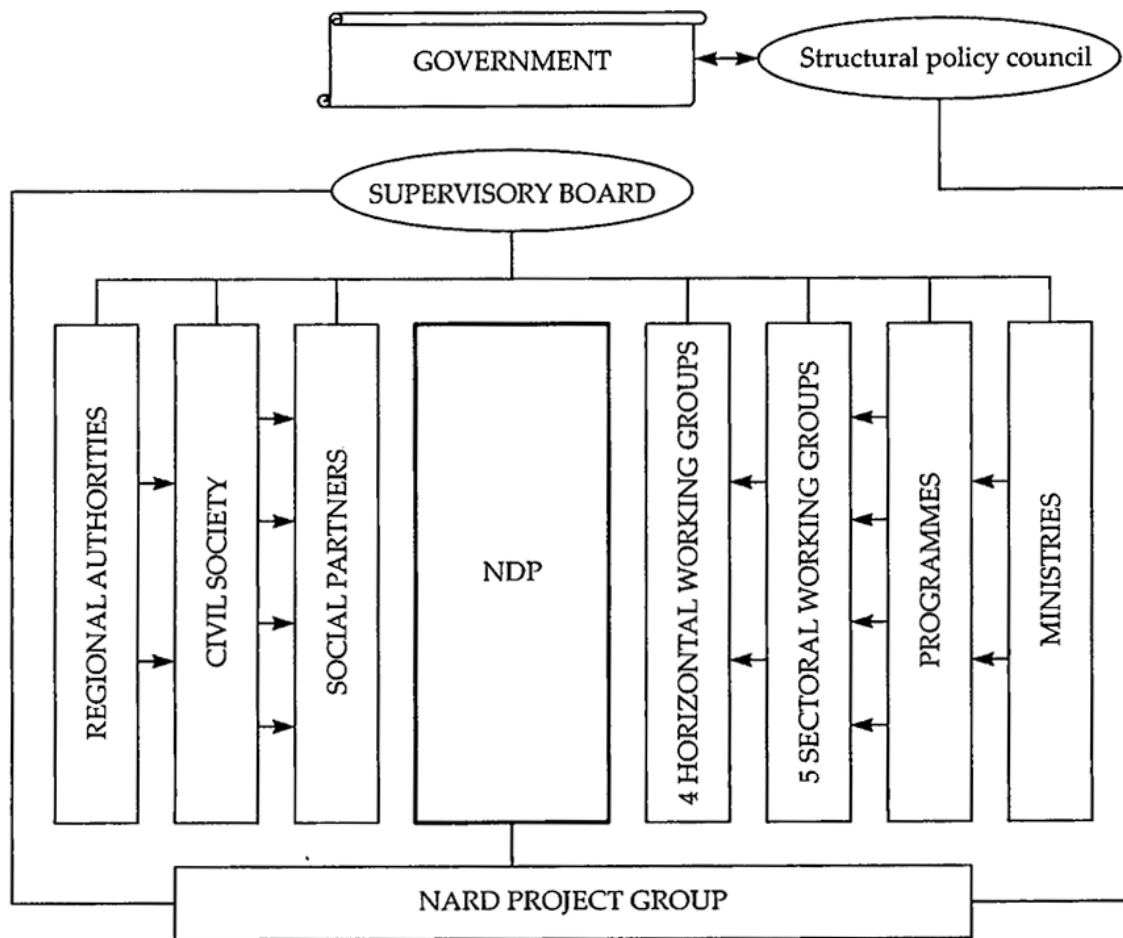


"Russia is divided federally into several types of "federal subjects". Republics; autonomous okrugs and oblasts; and federal cities have varying degrees of autonomy."

From: "Joan DeBardeleben "Russia"; in Introduction to Comparative Politics: Political Challenges and Changing Agendas; ed. Mark Kesselman et al. (Boston; MA: Houghton Mifflin Company; 2000); 428."

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Slovenia Department EU Funding

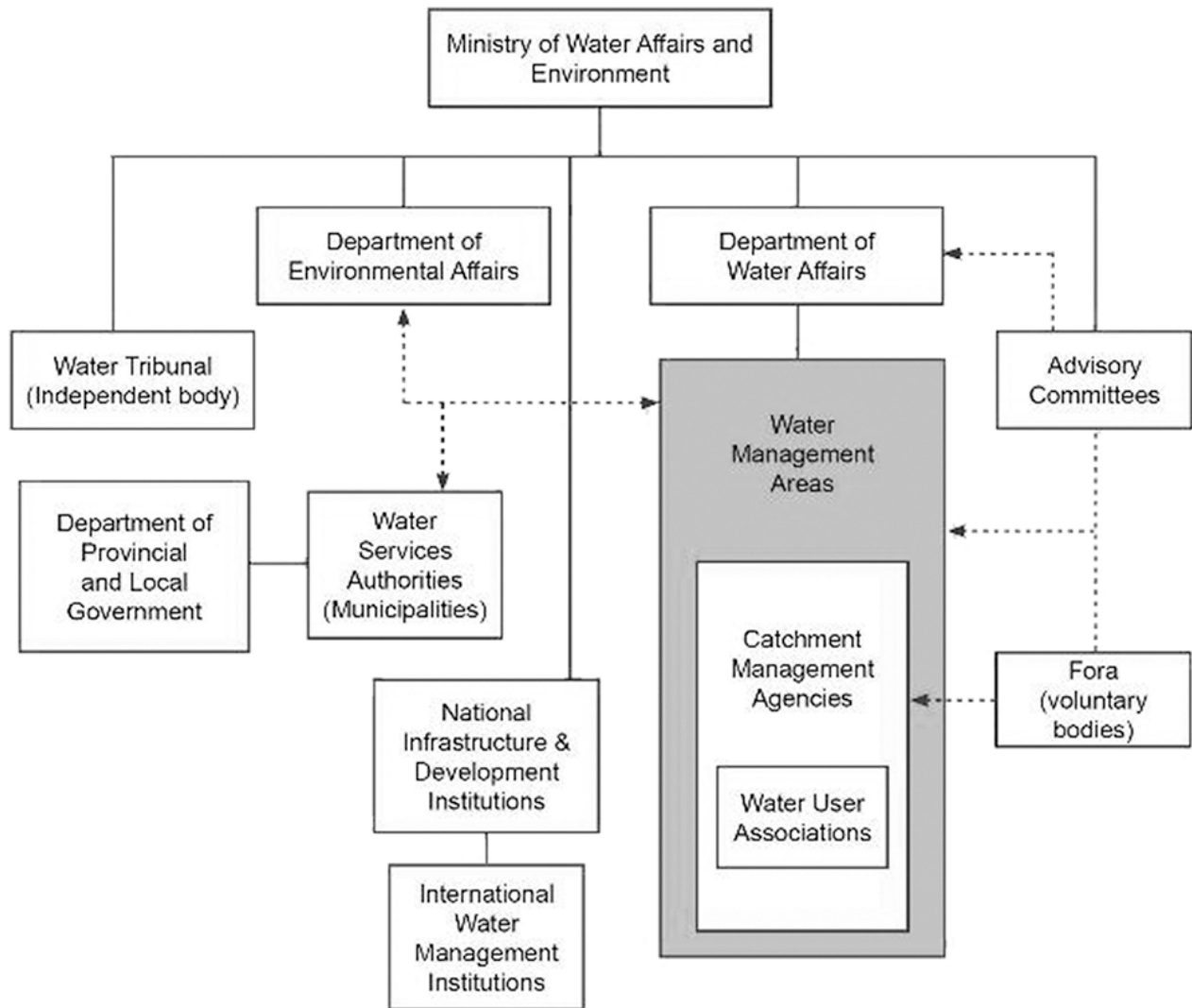


EU Structural Funding in Slovenia was budgeted through collaboration between government ministries; industry associations; municipal government; labor unions; and other civil society groups.

From: "New modes of governance and the EU structural and cohesion policy in Slovenia" in New Modes of Governance and the EU Structural and Cohesion Policy in the New Member States; "

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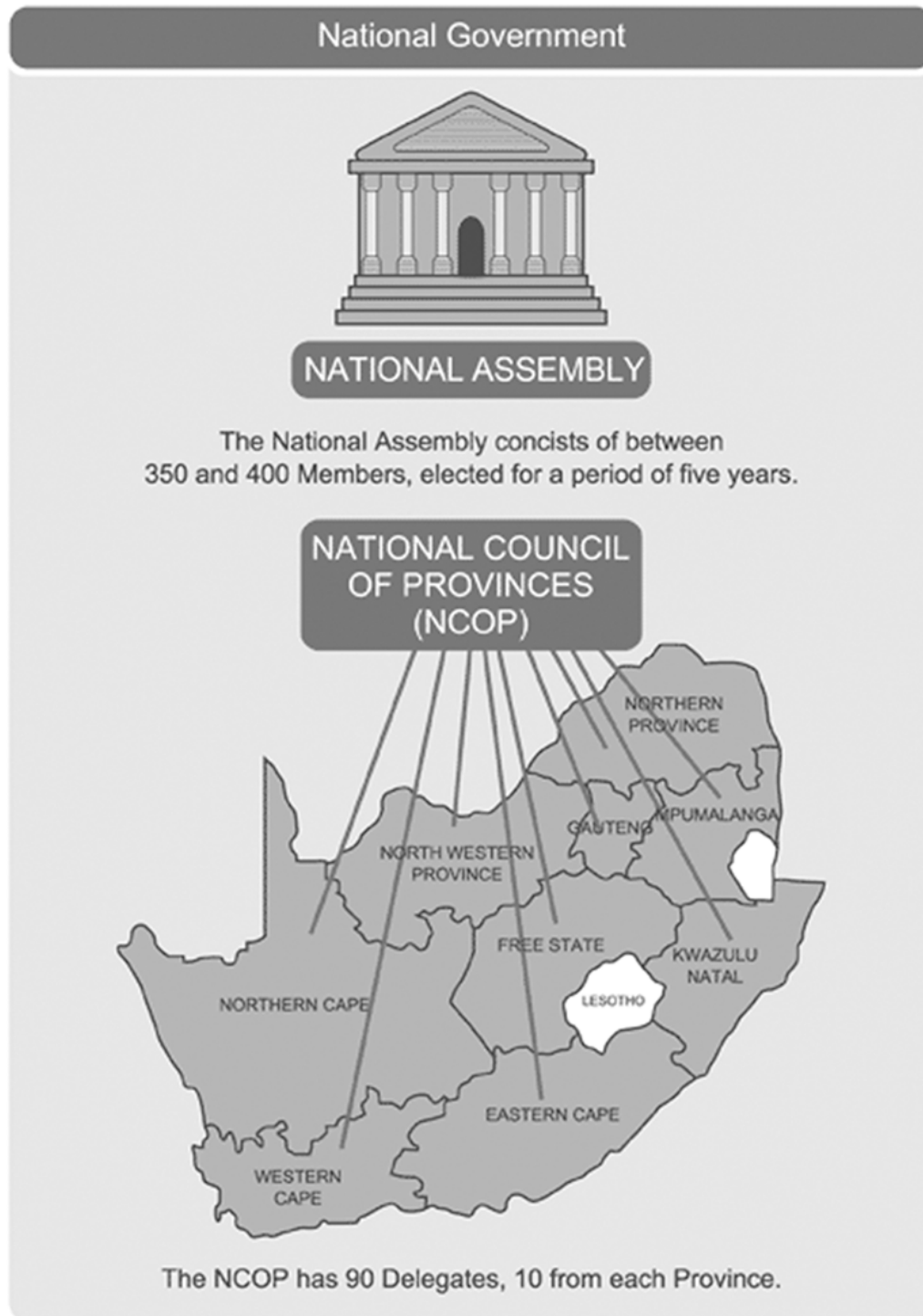
South Africa Department Water And Env.



From: <http://www.limpoporak.com/en/governance/> quoting Kranz et al. 2005; Department of Water Affairs (DWA) South Africa 2004; Department of Water Affairs South Africa 2009

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South Africa Geographic

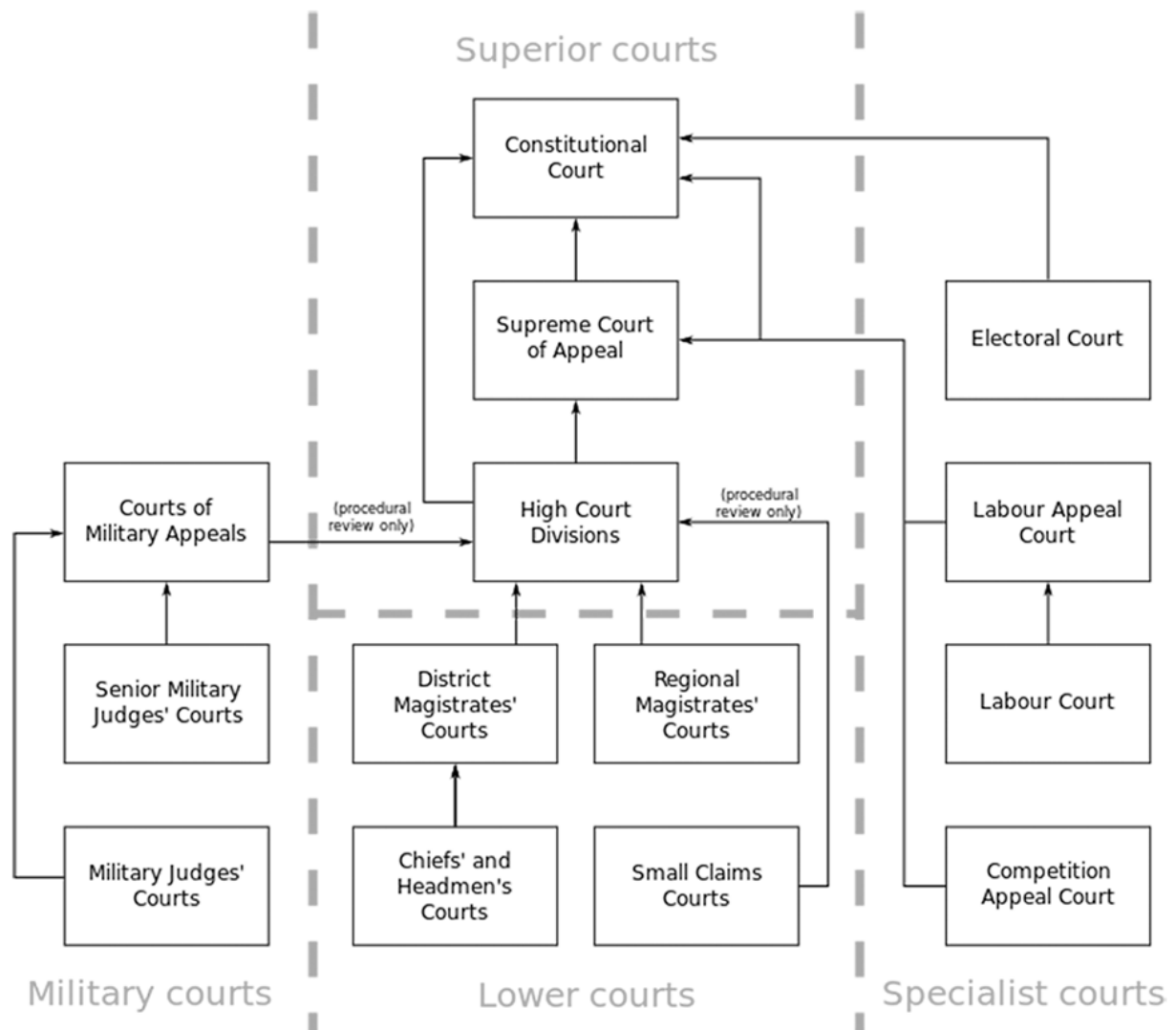


The National Council of Provinces is the upper house of the Parliament in South Africa and serves the federal role of representing the governments of each province in the national government.

From: <http://www.kznlegislature.gov.za/AboutLegislature/TheStructureofGovernmentintheRepublicofSA.aspx>

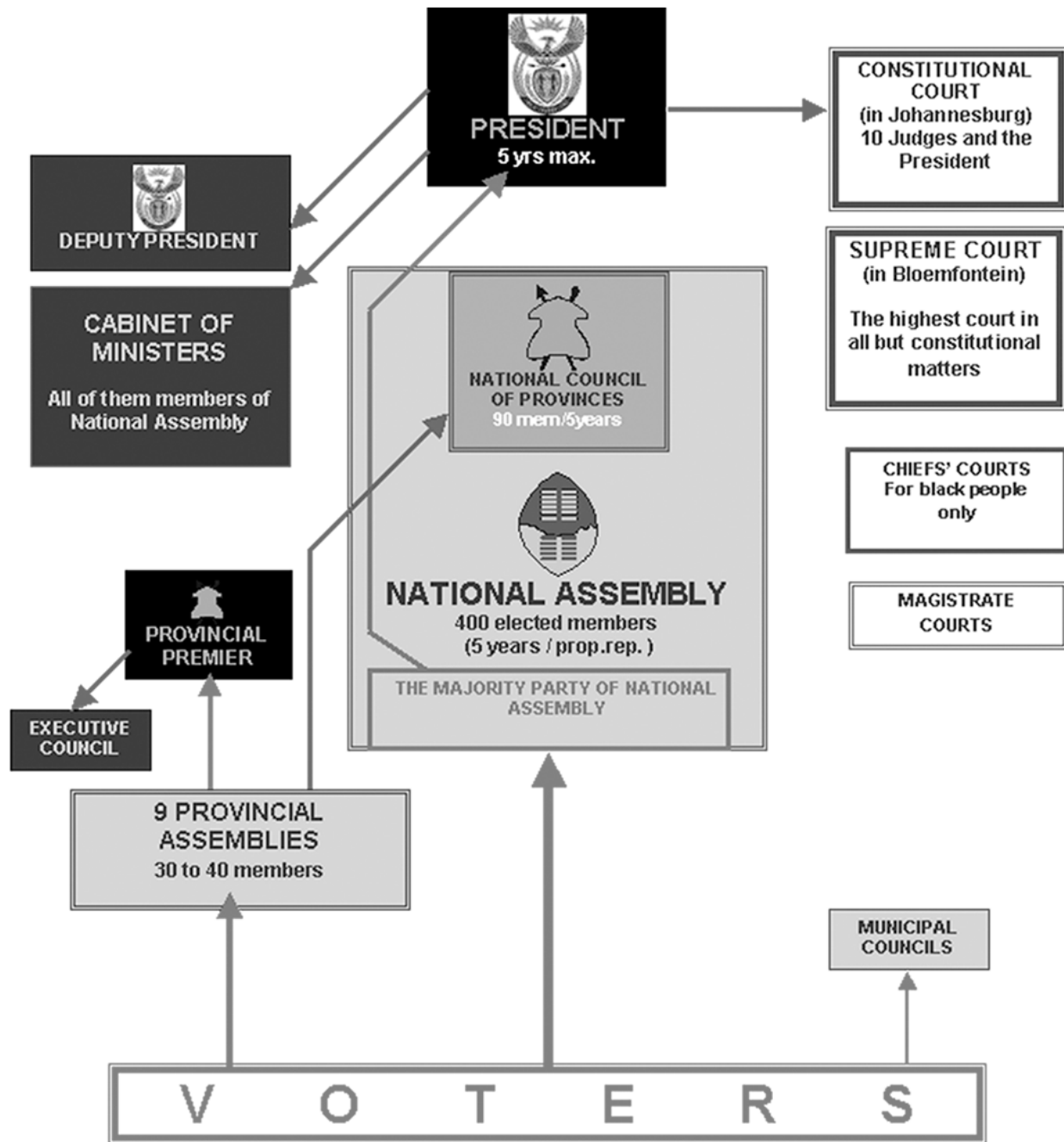
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South Africa Judicial



Legal matters concerning mergers and acquisitions and the competitive practices of businesses are under the jurisdiction of the Competition Appeal Court.

South Africa Macro

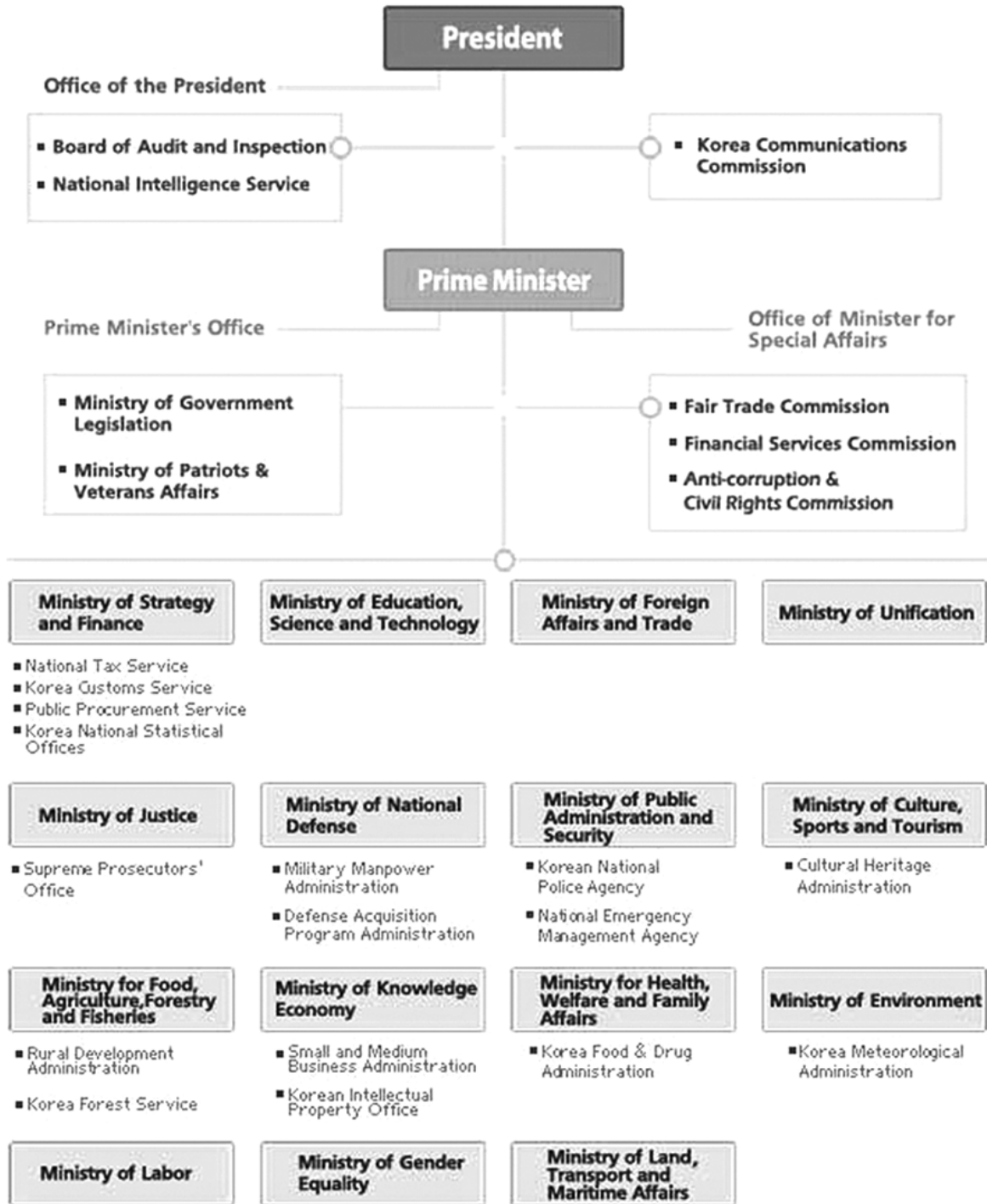


The Chiefs' Courts administer customary African law.

From: <http://www.conflicts.rem33.com/images/Political%20structure%20schemes/ZUEDAFRIKA%20Polit%20Structure.htm>

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South Korea Executive

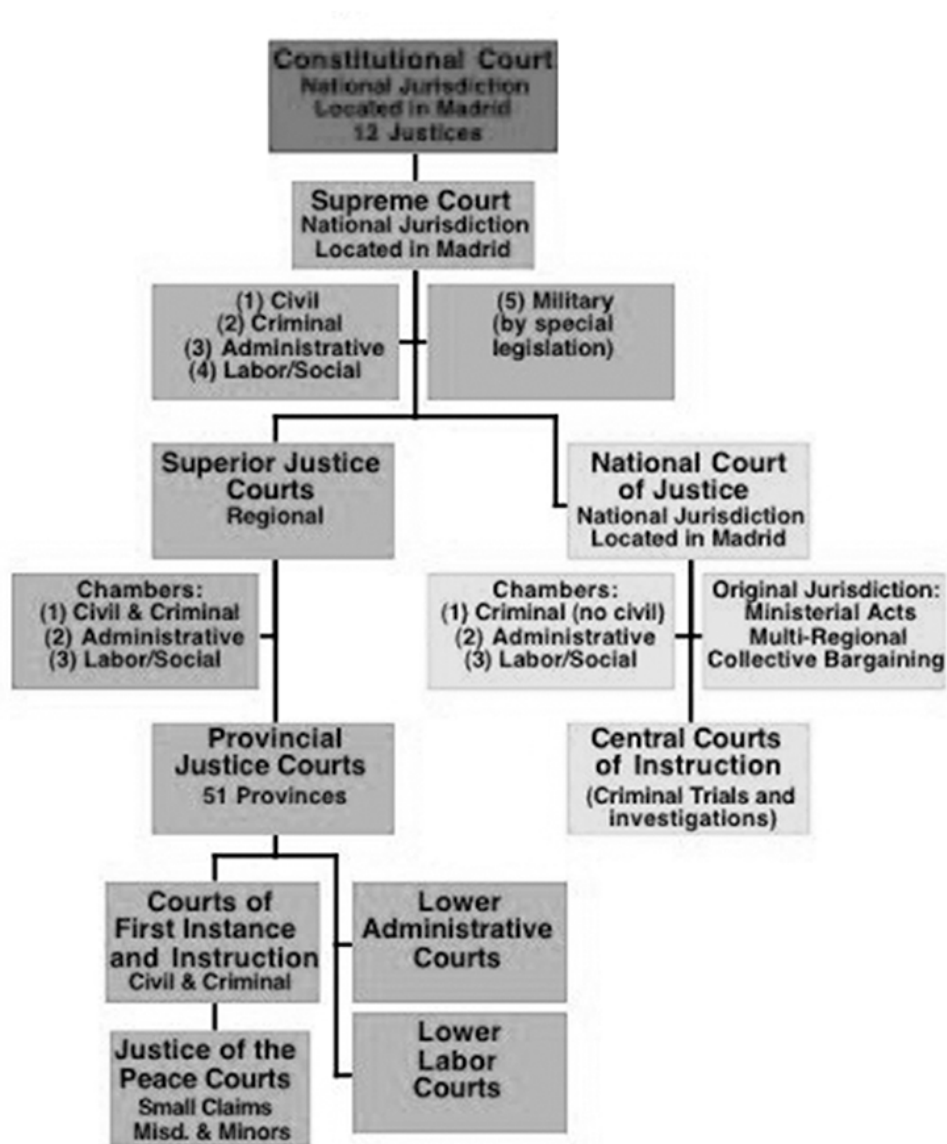


In South Korea the President is the true head of government; while the Prime Minister acts essentially as an assistant or auxiliary executive.

From: http://www.koreanfest.com/bbs/board.php?bo_table=korea_general

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Spain Judicial

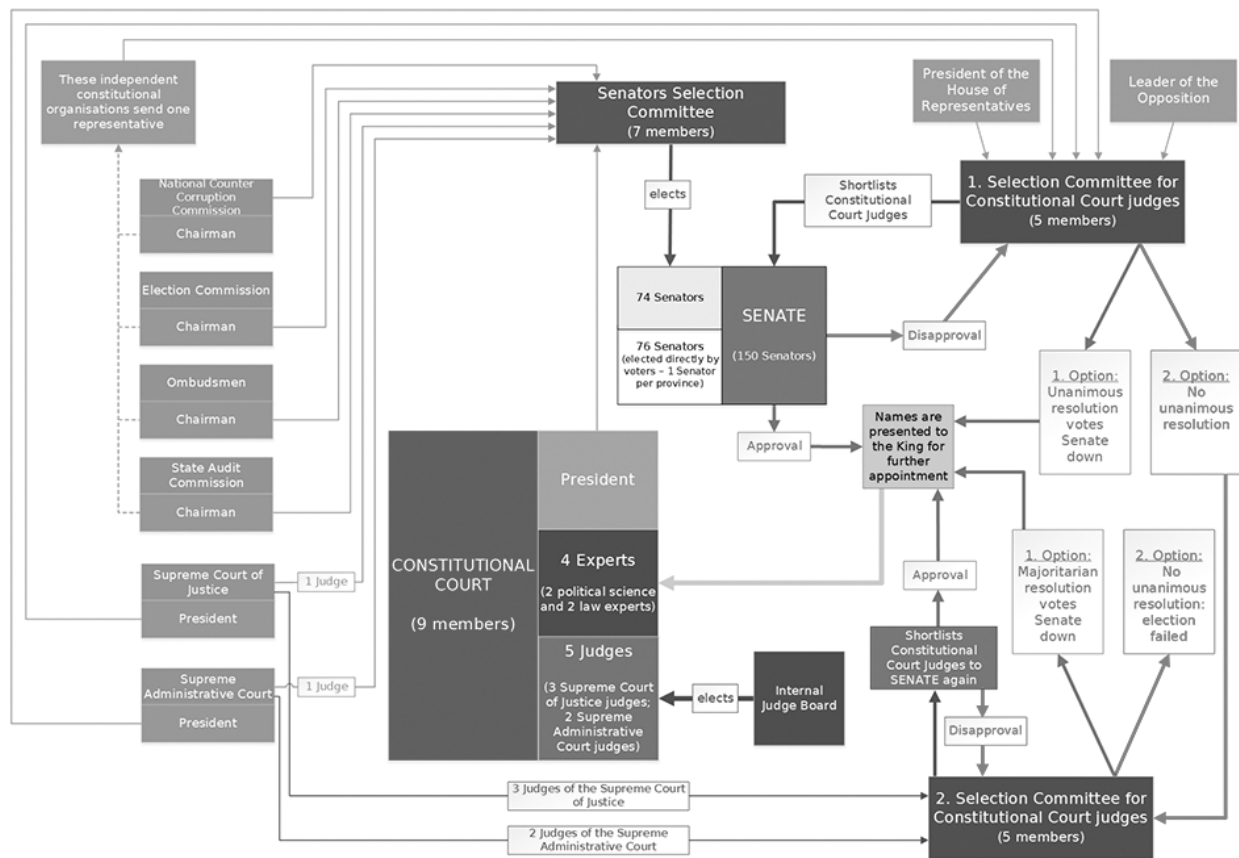


In the Spanish judicial system labor and social law are grouped together.

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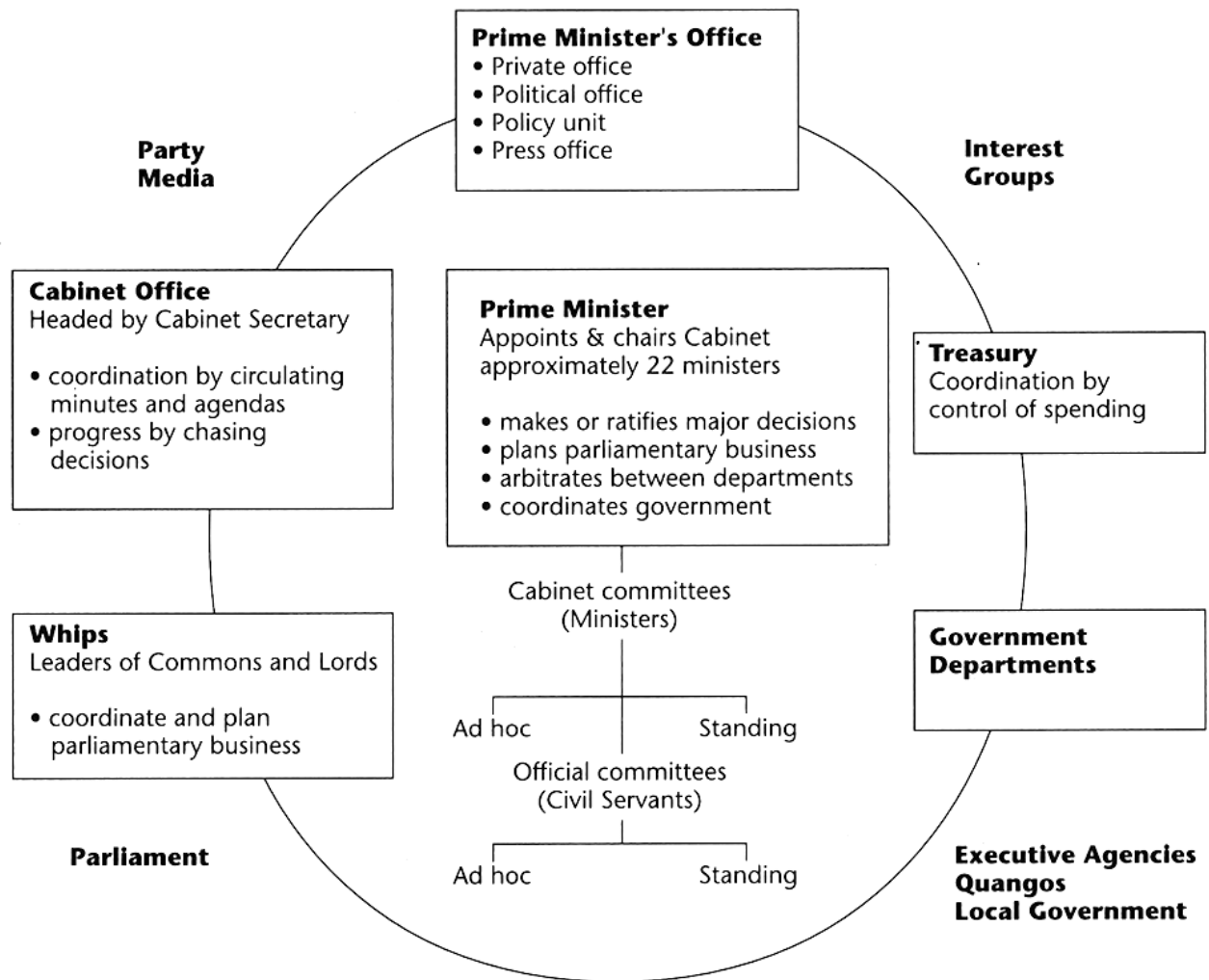
Thailand Constitutional Court



From: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Constitutional_Court_of_Thailand

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UK Executive

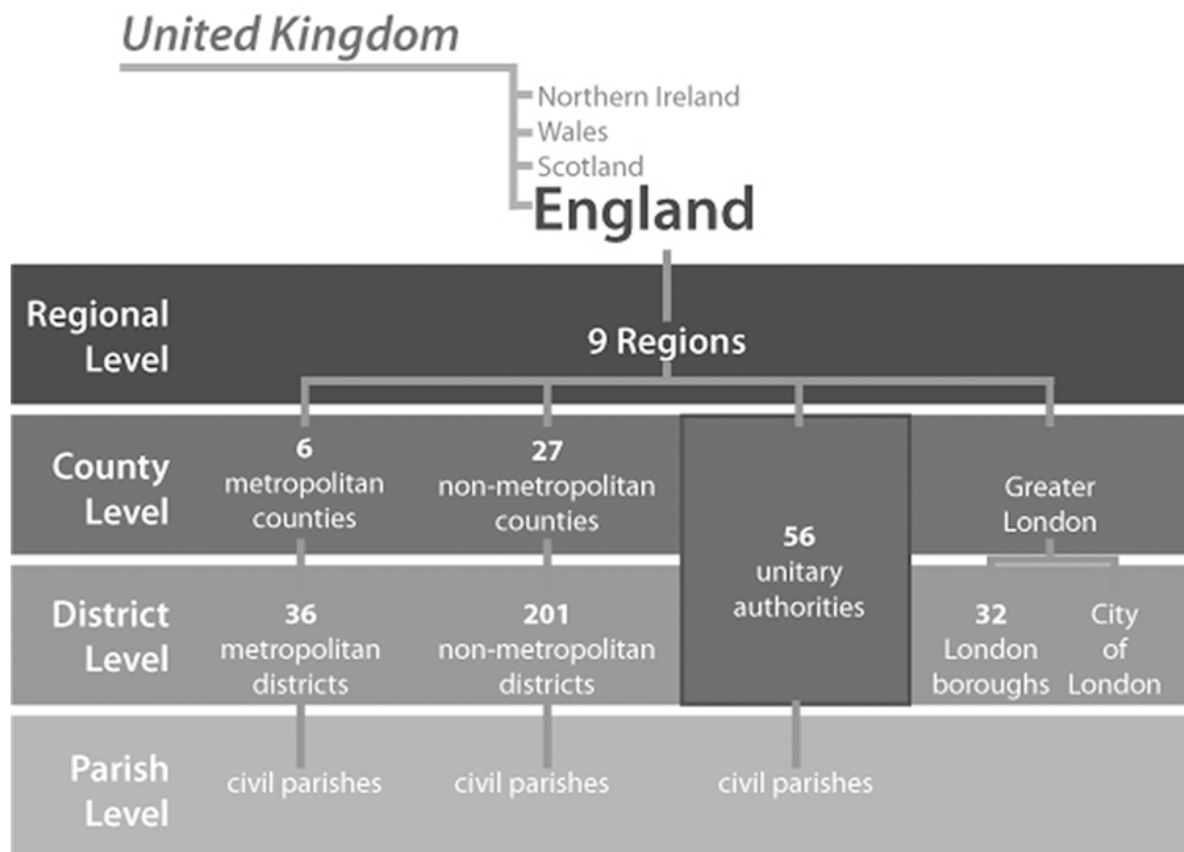


In the British parliamentary system the Prime Minister is the crucial figure in both the legislative and executive functions of the state. S/he is both at the top of the executive bureaucracy and of the hierarchy of the legislative leadership.

From: "Joel Krieger, "Britain"" in Introduction to Comparative Politics: Political Challenges and Changing Agendas; ed. Mark Kesselman et al. (Boston; MA: Houghton Mifflin Company; 2000); 53."

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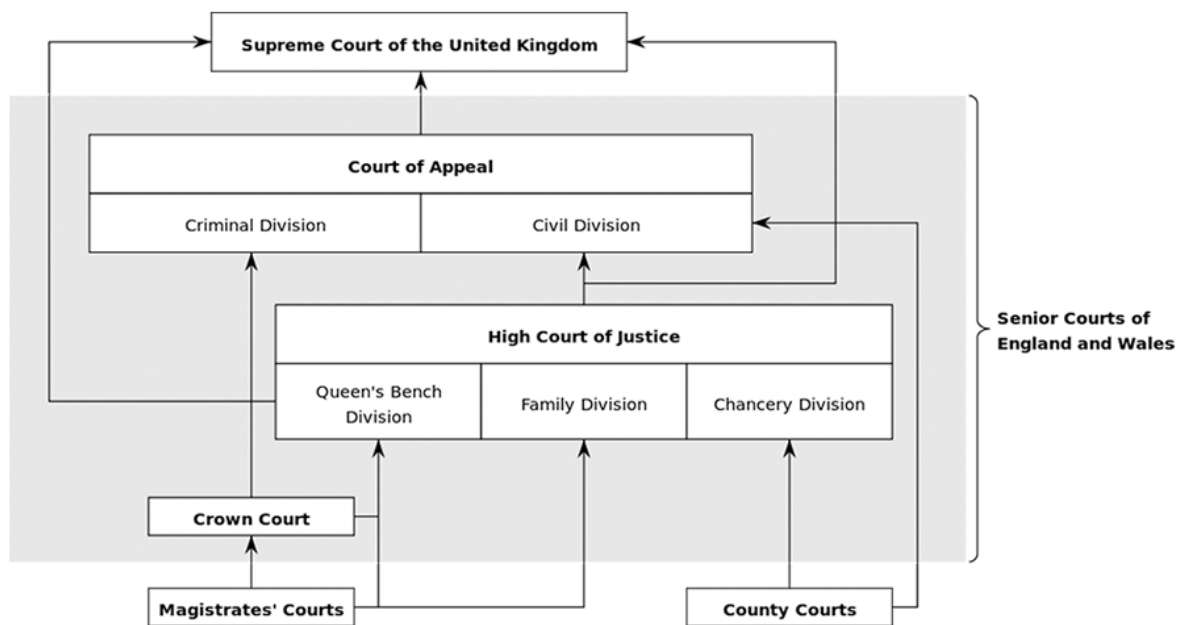
UK Geographic



Structure of English local government

The United Kingdom is not a federal state; but has expanded the power of local governments in recent years. Local governments are to some extent divided along urban/rural lines.

UK Judicial

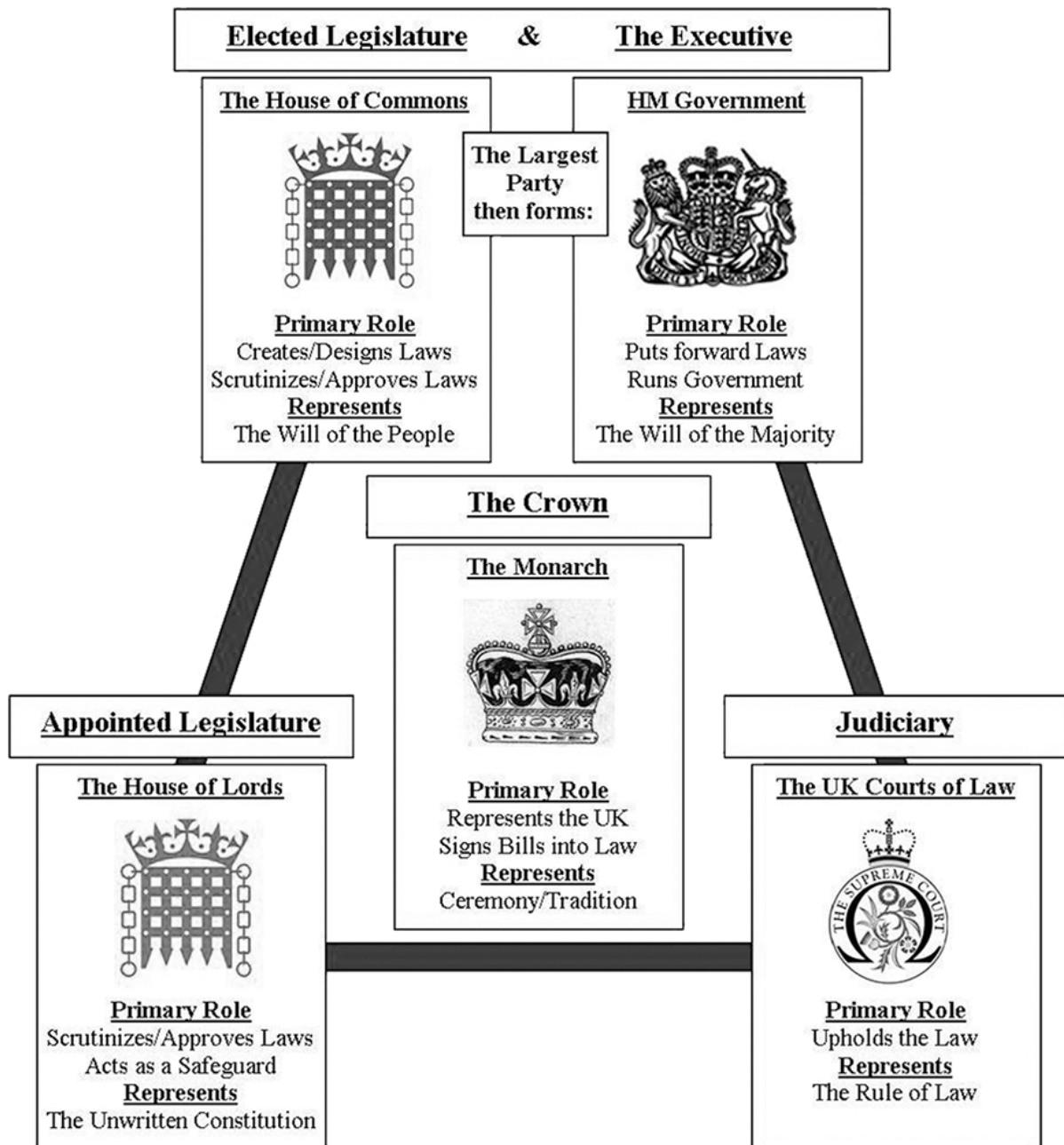


The Queen's Bench Division hears cases in personal injury and contract law; while the Chancery Division hears a variety of cases in commercial law.

From: http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Diagram_of_the_court_system_of_England_and_Wales.svg

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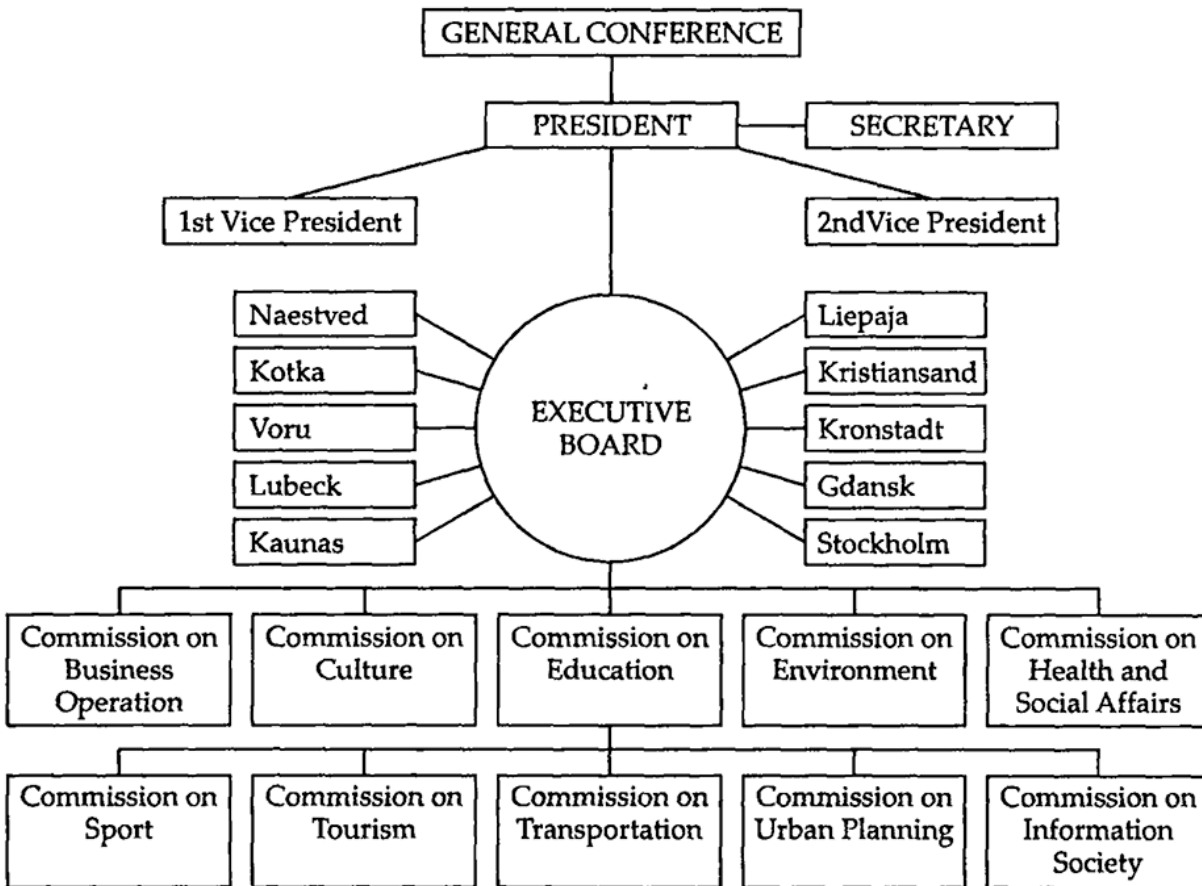


While the House of Lords retains some legislative powers; the House of Commons is by far the dominant chamber of Parliament. Similarly; the House of Lords no longer functions as the UK's highest court. The Supreme Court took over this function in 2009.

From: <http://ourgoverningprinciples.files.wordpress.com/2010/02/uk-fusion-of-powers.jpg>

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Union Of Baltic Cities Geographic



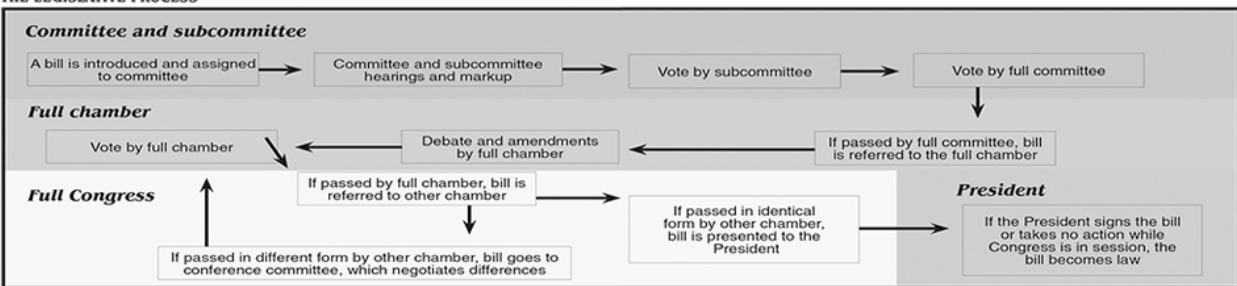
The Union of Baltic Cities involves the municipal governments of over 100 cities; the Executive Board is composed of representatives from 10 cities; 1 from each of the 10 member countries.

From: "EU cohesion policy and new governance the example of the baltic states" in New Modes of Governance and the EU Structural and Cohesion Policy in the New Member States; "

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United States Legislative

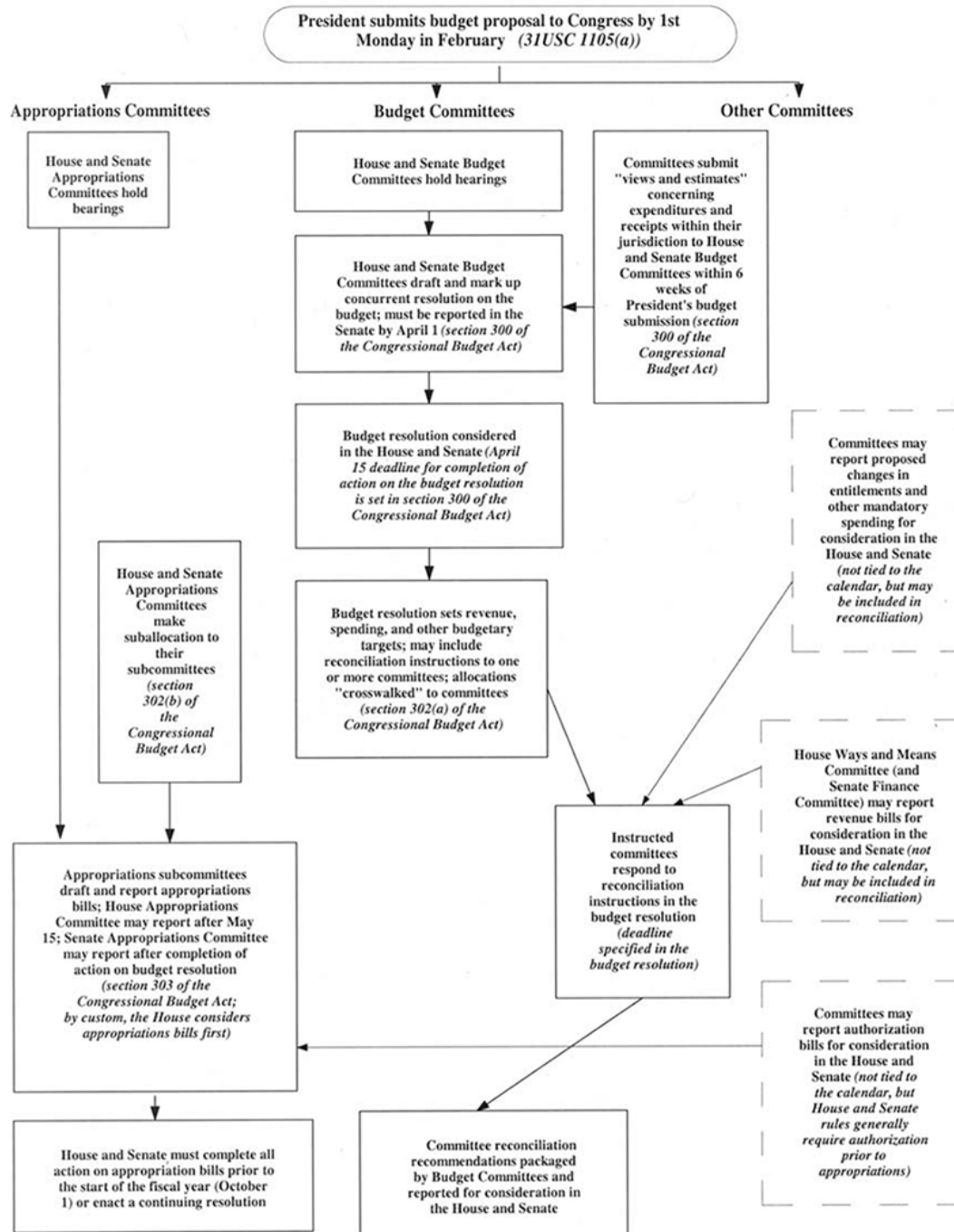
THE LEGISLATIVE PROCESS



From: Jason Stern; About America: How the United States is Governed (Herndon, VA: Braddock Communications, Inc.; 2004); 10-11.

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US Budgeting

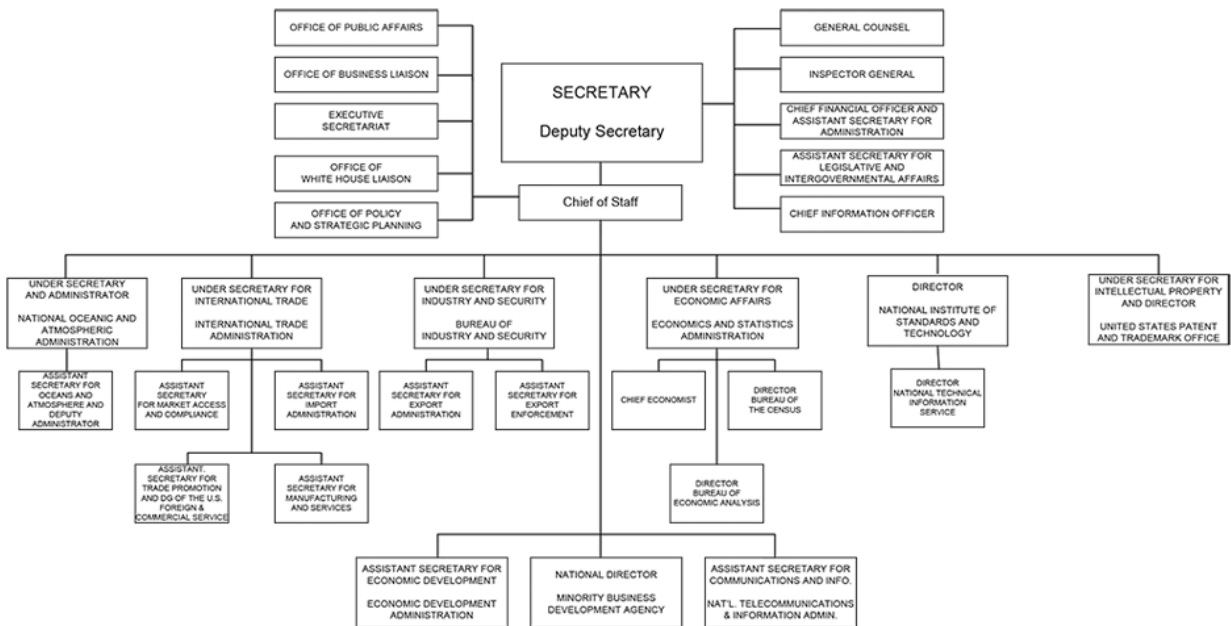


After the US President submits her/his proposed budget to Congress; the budget is scrutinized and amended by various committees in both the House of Representatives and the Senate before it is considered by the whole House and Senate.

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US Department Commerce

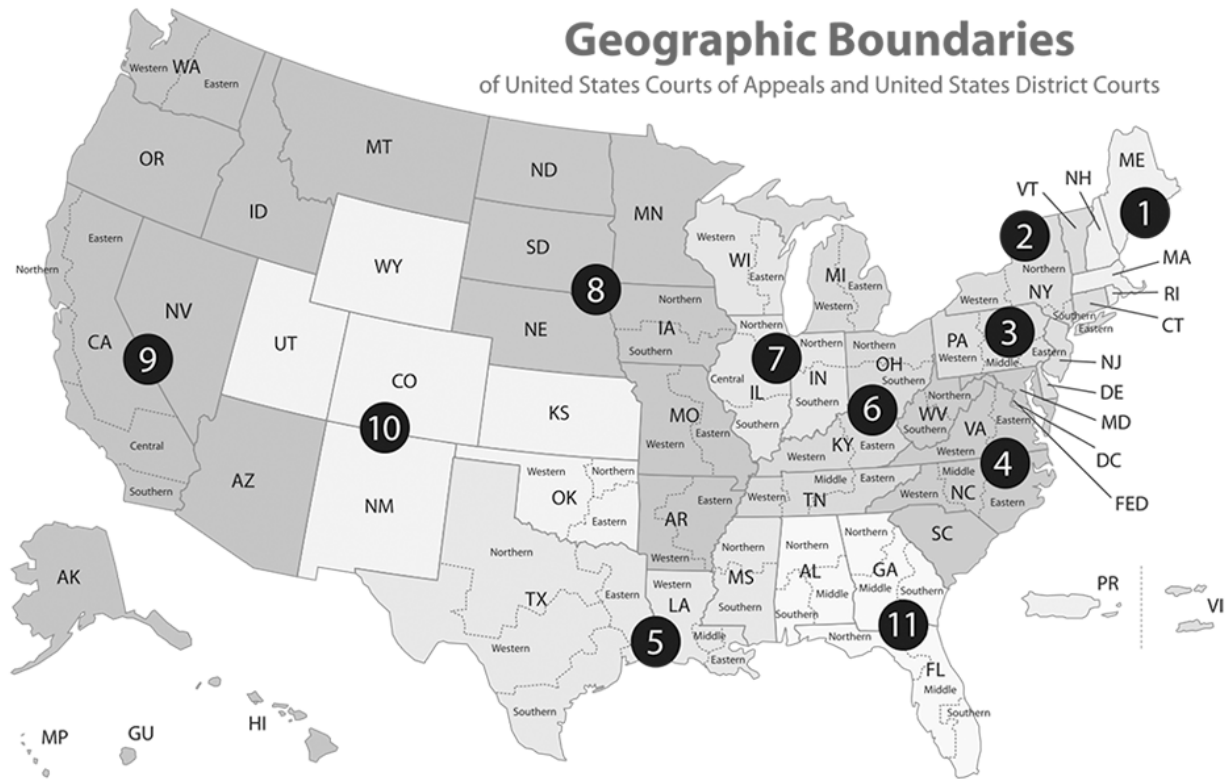


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US Geographic Courts



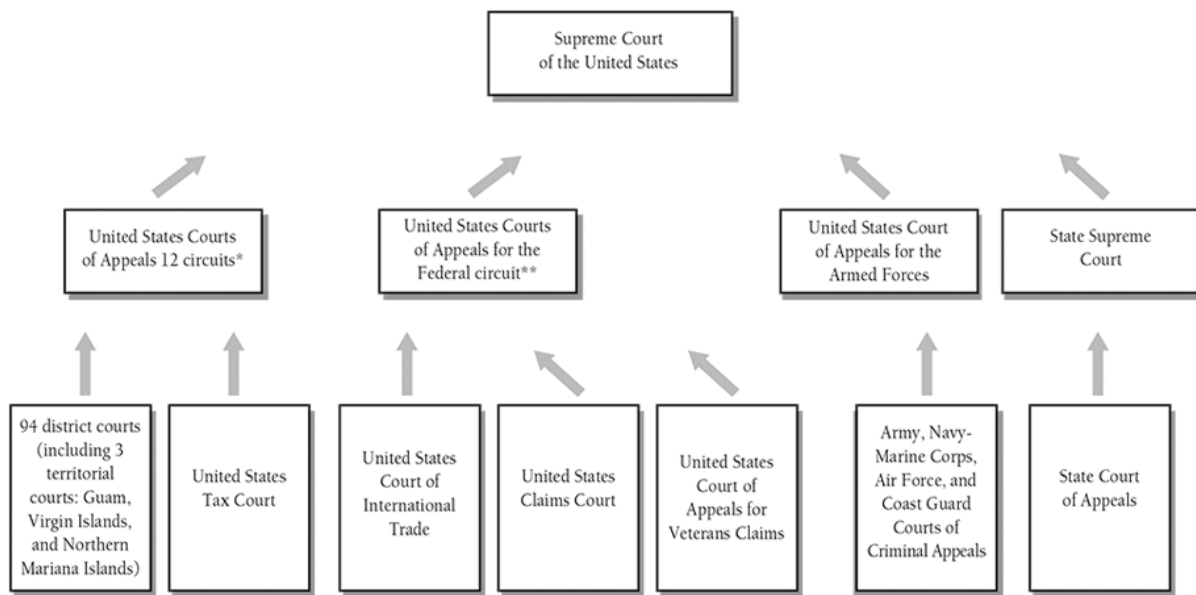
The US Courts of Appeals are divided into 12 geographic circuits which each cover the territory of multiple States.

From: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/United_States_district_court#mediaviewer/File:US_Court_of_Appeals_and_District_Court_map.svg

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US Judicial

The United States Court System



* The 12 regional courts of appeals also review cases from a number of federal agencies.

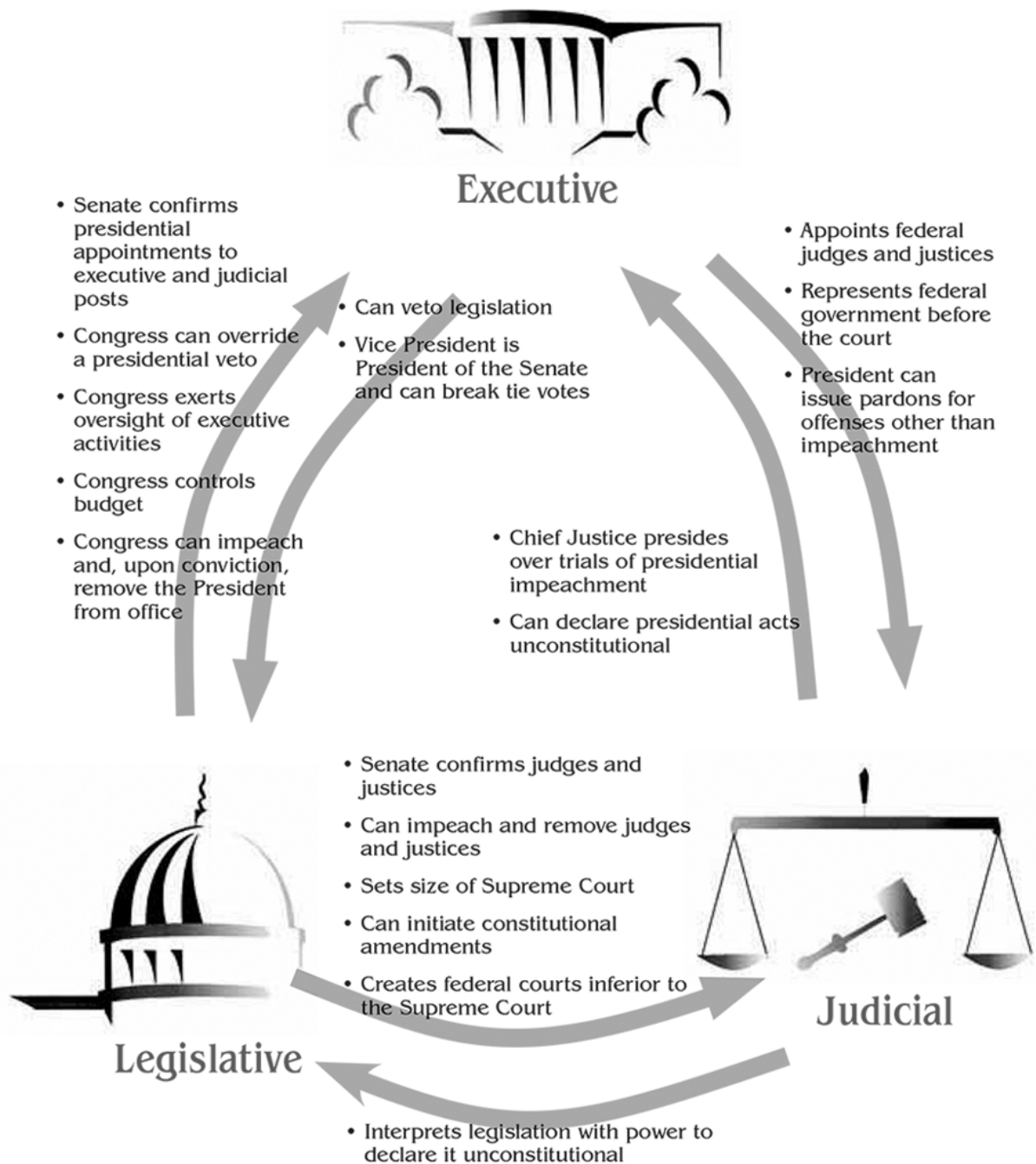
** The Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit also receives cases from the International Trade Commission, the Merit Systems Protection Board, the Patent and Trademark Office, and the Board of Contract Appeals.

From: "Clerk of the Court: United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces." "The United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces." 450 E Str, N.W.; Washington; DC 20442-0001. Nov. 2013; 20."

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US Macro

Checks and Balances



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