Civics Crossword

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 duty Congress holds besides lawmaking
an oddly shaped election district designed to increase the voting strength of a particular group

9. years of service, which is used as a

consideration for assigning committee members 13. the work that a lawmaker does to help constituents with a problem

15. representative of an interest group who contacts lawmakers or other government officials directly to influence their policy making Close

16. the upper house of congress, consisting of two representatives from each state

17. a completely unrelated amendment added to a bill

20. clause in Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution that gives Congress the right to make all laws "necessary and proper" to carry out its expressed powers **21.** in both the House of Representatives and the Senate, the political party to which more than half the members belong

22. a tactic for defeating a bill in the Senate by talking until the bill's sponsor withdraws it23. a population count taken by the Census Bureau

24. a resolution that is passed by both houses of Congress

25. power that the U.S. Congress has that is specifically listed in the Constitution **Down**

1. in both the House of Representatives and the Senate, the political party to which fewer than half the members belong

 government project grant that primarily benefits the home district or state
an organization of people with some

5. an organization of people with some common interest who try to influence government decisions

6. the lower house of Congress, consisting of a different number of representatives from each state, depending on population

7. the right of senators and representatives to send job-related mail without paying postage

8. powers granted directly to the national government by the Constitution; another name for expressed powers

10. a court order that requires police to bring a prisoner to court to explain why the person is being held

11. power that Congress has that is not stated explicitly in the Constitution

12. a law that punishes a person accused of a crime without a trial or a fair hearing in court14. a law that would allow a person to be punished for an action that was not against the law when it was committed

18. to accuse government officials of misconduct in office

19. a person from a legislator's district