Notes — Week 7

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Period 3

• The Constitution:

- The House of Representatives is directly elected
- Senators are chosen by legislatures of each state (indirect election changed by the seventeenth amendment, now direct)
- The word "vested" means that an entity is authorized to use certain, delegated powers
- The government was intentionally made slow and cumbersome through checks and balances
- Selective Incorporation When the Supreme Court takes a single right from the Bill of Rights and applies it to the states one case at a time over time, using either the Due Process clause or the Equal Protection clause of the fourteenth amendment. The fourteenth amendment is the tool used by the Supreme Court because each clause denies the State the ability to take away a person's "due process" rights or their "equal protection" rights.