

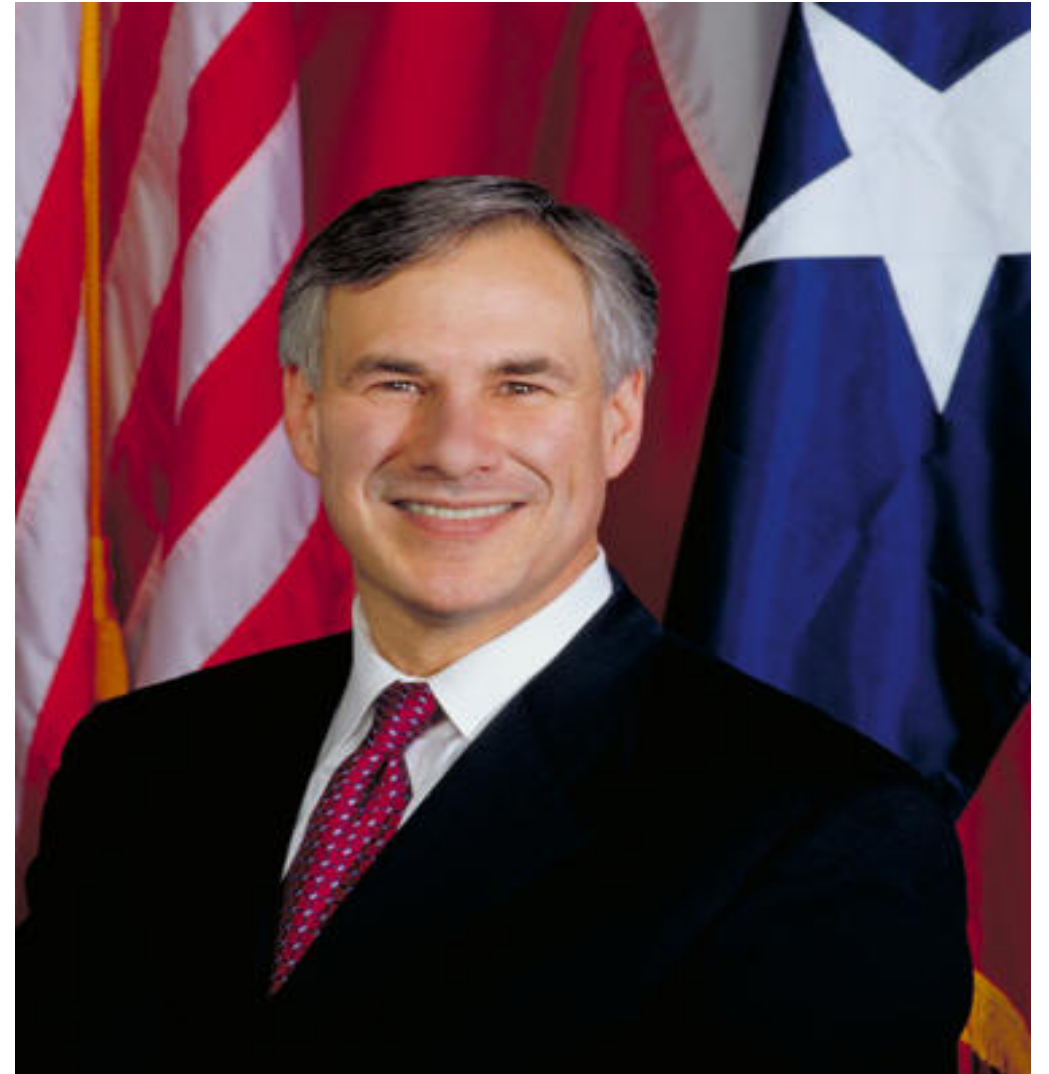
Legislative Branch (Congress)

- Is bicameral = 2 houses
- The Legislative Branch's main purpose is to make the laws.



Executive Branch

- Is led by the governor of Texas
Greg Abbott
- The Executive Branch's main purpose is to
enforce & carry out the law



House of Representatives (Congress)

- The House of Representatives has a total amount of 150 members



House of Representatives (Congress)

Qualifications:

- ✓ Must be **31** yrs. old
- ✓ **2** yrs. as TX resident
- ✓ **1** yr. in district



House of Representatives (Congress)

Term: 2 year terms

Yearly salary: \$7,200



House of Senate (Congress)

- The House of Senate has a total amount of 31 members.



House of Senate (Congress)

Qualifications:

- ✓ Must be 26 yrs. old
- ✓ 5 yrs. as TX resident
- ✓ 1 yr. in district



House of Senate (Congress)

Term: **4** year terms

Yearly salary: **\$7,200**



Executive Branch (Governor)

Term:

4 year terms

Yearly salary:

\$150,000



Executive Branch (**Governor**)

Powers:

- ✓ Makes appointments to boards and commissions.
- ✓ Has the power to **veto** laws
- ✓ Appoints judges



Executive Branch

Qualifications:

- ✓ Must be **30** yrs. old
- ✓ **U.S.** Citizen
- ✓ Resident of **Texas** for at least **5** years.



Executive Branch

Other Members:

✓ Lt. Governor:

✓ Dan Patrick

✓ Attorney General:

✓ Ken Paxton

✓ Secretary of State:

✓ Carlos Cascos



Judicial Branch

The highest court in Texas is the Texas Supreme Court.

The Judicial Branch's purpose is interpret and apply laws.



Judicial Branch

of Justices in Supreme Ct:

9 total Justices

Term:

6 Years

Yearly Salary:

\$170,000



Judicial Branch

Qualifications:

- ✓ **35** years old
- ✓ A citizen of Texas
- ✓ Must be licensed to practice law
- ✓ Must have practiced law for 10 years.



Judicial Branch

Texas Court Levels:

- Texas Supreme Court
- Court of Appeals
- District Courts
- County Courts
- Municipal Courts



Texas Constitution

- The Texas Constitution is the highest law in our state, it is subject only to the U.S. Constitution & federal laws.
- The current Texas Constitution went into effect in 1876
- Texas has had a total of 7 constitutions dating back to 1827.

