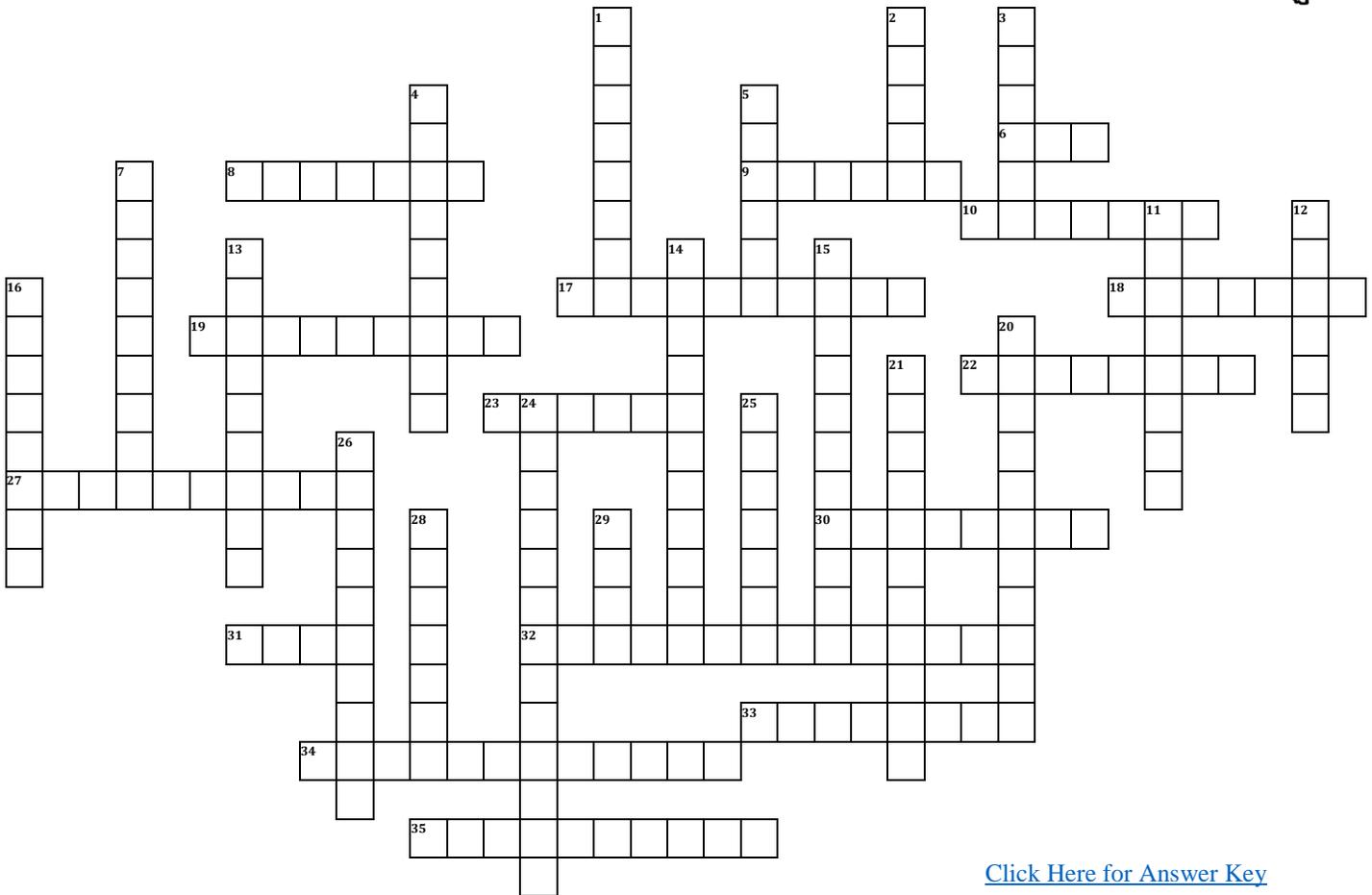


# The Legislative Branch

## Test Your Knowledge



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### Across

6. A bill passed by the Legislature
8. Period during which the Legislature meets
9. A statement of the financial position of an administration for a definite period of time based on estimates of expenditures during the period and proposals for financing them
10. A person in the Senate chosen or elected to speak and act on behalf of others
17. A general vote by the electorate on a single political question that has been referred to them for a direct decision
18. Presiding officer of the House of Representatives, elected by the members of The House, at the beginning of each session
19. Any alteration made or proposed to a bill, motion, or clause thereof by adding, changing, substituting, or omitting
22. The elected executive to head the State of South Dakota
23. An informal organization of members of each political party of the House or the Senate, or both, that exists to discuss issues of mutual concern and possibly to perform legislative research and policy planning for its members
27. A procedure by which a specified number of voters may propose a statute, constitutional amendment, or ordinance, and compel a popular vote on its adoption
30. A group of legislators of the same political party who have the fewest number of elected members
31. A proposed law introduced during a session for consideration by the Legislature
32. A person in the House of Representatives chosen or elected to speak and act on behalf of others
33. The geographic division of the state represented by a legislator
34. The fundamental organic law of the state
35. A form of legislation expressing the opinion of the Legislature. It does not have the force of law

### Down

1. A procedure used in the Legislature whereby a committee or a member from the floor will move to strike everything after the enacting clause of a bill and insert in lieu thereof the substance of an entirely new bill
2. May mean a group of related chapters in the code or the title of a bill or other proposal
3. The upper house in the bicameral legislature
4. A person who advocates a proposal, project, or practice
5. A formal discussion on a particular topic in a public legislative assembly, in which opposing arguments are put forward
7. A title given to the presiding officer of the Senate held by virtue of the office of Lieutenant Governor
11. A person who disagrees with or resists a proposal, project or practice
12. A list of items to be discussed at a committee meeting
13. A group of legislators that hold hearings to determine if the proposed bill should go forward to the house for passage
14. The legislative body of the state
15. Termination of a meeting; occurs at the close of each legislative day upon completion of business
16. A group of legislators of the same political party who have the greatest number of elected members and who control the leadership positions
20. A citizen who resides within the district of a legislator
21. An amount of money that is spent on something
24. Money set aside by formal action for a specific use
25. Includes all amounts of money (i.e. Taxes and/or fees) received from sources outside the state government
26. A person elected by the citizens to make laws
28. An official record of the proceedings of a meeting
29. A legislator elected by members of the political party to assist party leadership