

Prayer Chart for an Overview of the USA Government

The context of this verse quoted below is that the place where Yehovah rules in & over a people will be secure & prosperous. It is the model for His Kingdom Government on the earth in & through His people. This is the pattern used by the founders of the USA in the constitution, (Read verses 13-24)

*"For the LORD [Yehovah] is our **JUDGE**,
the LORD [Yehovah] is our **LAWGIVER**,
the LORD [Yehovah] is our **KING**; and he is our Saviour."*

Isaiah 33:22 George Lamsa Translation

JUDGE (Judicial Branch in 3 levels)

1 Supreme Court

- 8 Justices and 1 Chief Justice
- To be appointed, the President first nominates them
- then the Senate confirms them by a majority vote
- appointments are for life, (unless impeached & convicted)
- the Chief Justice determines which cases to hear
- the Chief Justice (not the President) appoints FISA judges

13 Federal Circuit Courts of Appeals

- 1 for each of the 11 regions of District Courts + 1 for DC
- plus 1 Federal for the nation for cases that classify for it
- with a total of 179 Judges
- they must hear appeals from lower District courts (which are grouped into 13 Circuit Court territories)
- they are the intermediate federal appellate courts

94 Federal District Courts

- minimum of 1/State with larger states having 2 or more
- 1/District with a total of 89 districts in the 50 states (plus 5 more for territories for a total of 677 Judges)

Plus Specialized Federal Courts

- Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court (FISA)
- International Trade Court with a total of 9 judges
- Federal Claims Court with a total of 16 judges
- plus several other specialized courts

890 total Fed. Judges nominated by the President

KING (Executive Branch)

President

- elected by voters for a 4-year term (& may serve 2-terms)
- the President is also head of the military
- nominates heads of the Federal Commissions
- nominates Supreme Court & other Federal Judges (nominees then need a Senate majority vote to be confirmed)
- may veto proposed laws (can be over-ridden by 2/3 majority vote of Congress)
- may also write Executive Orders

This branch also includes:

- 1 Vice President (also considered a cabinet member)
- 24 Cabinet Members
- 6 Executive Officers (1 of which is also a cabinet member) & a White House Chief of Staff to oversee them

Emergency replacement order:

1. Vice President
2. Speaker of the (majority) House
3. The longest serving Senator in the Senate majority
3. Secretary of State
4. Secretary of Treasury
5. Secretary of Defense
6. Attorney General

...then an order of 11 different Secretaries

LAWGIVER (Legislative Branch)

Congress which is made up of 2-chambers: **House & Senate**

House of Representatives

- elected by voters (in even years) for 2-year term, with no term limits
- fixed at 435 members with the number of Representatives/state based on population (each State must have a minimum of 1 Representative)
- currently there are 235 Democrats, 199 Republicans & 1 vacant
- each Party has their Speaker, with the majority's speaker in charge (the majority Party's speaker is called "The Speaker of the House")
- must be 25 years old, US citizen for at least 7 years, & resident of their State

Senate

- elected by voters for a 6-year term with no term limits (about 1/3 of the Senators complete their terms every 2-years in even years)
- there are 100 Senators with 2/state regardless of population
- currently there are 53 Republicans & 47 Democrats
- the majority's leader is in charge of the agenda (called "The Senate Majority Leader")