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Many services are provided by the state government of Oklahoma. County and city governments have important roles, too. In this lesson, you will learn about the people elected to lead at the state and local levels.

Part I: Go to Oklahoma's Official Web Site: <http://www.ok.gov>. Click **My Government** and then **Legislative Branch**. Click the link for **Find My Legislator**. Use the information to complete the table.



My State Legislators

House of Representatives	<i>District:</i> _____ <i>Party:</i> _____
	<i>Name:</i> _____
	<i>Address:</i> _____
State Senator	<i>District:</i> _____ <i>Party:</i> _____
	<i>Name:</i> _____
	<i>Address:</i> _____

Part II: What have your lawmakers been working on?

Click here <http://www.oklegislature.gov>, select **Legislation**, and then click **Basic Bill Search**. Your teacher may give you information to look up a bill considered by the legislature (tip: click **Bill Summary** for a short overview of the bill). Write a short summary of the legislation and its status. Explain why the law might be needed and give reasons why you support or do not support the new law.



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Part III: Your local government has responsibilities in your community. Find a local county or town government’s website here: <http://okacco.com/links-97135> or <http://okcounties.org>.

Read some of the items on the agenda or minutes of a recent meeting or take a look at some of their ordinances.

Describe one of the ordinances or agenda items. Click here for a [sample ordinance](#).

What is the purpose of the ordinance or agenda item?	What are two arguments to support this ordinance or agenda item?	What are two arguments against this ordinance or agenda item?

Think about a problem in your town. Briefly describe an ordinance that you believe would help to solve the problem. Write a brief description of the ordinance, a consequence for violators, and two reasons why the ordinance should be adopted.

Finished Early? Take a tour of the state capitol. [Start with a tour of the basement](#), and work your way up, floor by floor, to see where the laws of our state are made.