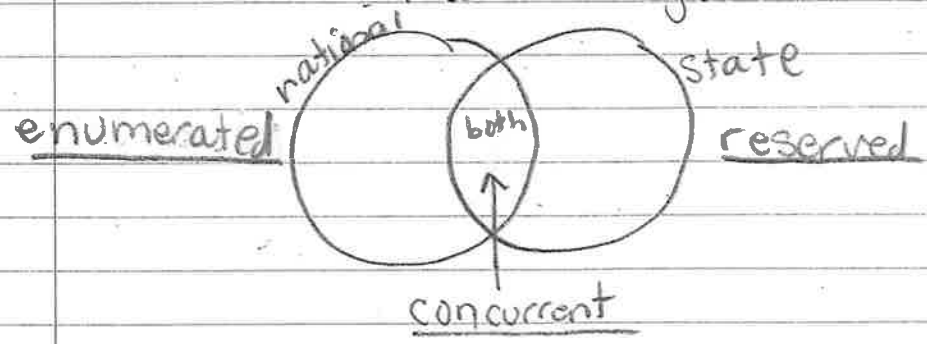


# Checks & Balances

Q: How is power limited in the U.S. government?

- Separation of Power (pg. 65)
- Checks & Balances (see flap)
- Federalism - power is divided between state & national governments



Define checks and balances:

What do 'checks' allow branches of government to do?

What do 'balances' allow branches to do?

see reading

Why did the framers include a system checks and balances? (last paragraph)

Power	Which branch has that power?	Which branch is having their power limited?
Making laws	Legislative	
Vetoing bills	Executive	Legislative
Overriding a veto	Legislative	Executive
Declare a law unconstitutional	Judicial	Legislative
Declare an executive action unconstitutional	Judicial	Executive
Nominating ambassadors and cabinet members	Executive	
Approving ambassadors, and cabinet members	Legislative	Executive
Sign treaties	Executive	
Approving treaties	Legislative	Executive
Impeaching Supreme Court judges	Legislative	Judicial
Approving Supreme Court judges	Legislative	Exec/Jud.
Declaring War	Legislative	Executive