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**US Government –**

***American Politics Today* Chapter 3, pages 55-75**

**Monday 2/8**

**50 points**

**Terms:** federalism sovereign power police power concurrent power unitary government confederal government intergovernmental organization full faith and credit clause privileges and immunities clause states’ rights dual federalism commerce clause powers cooperative federalism picket fence federalism

**Sections:**

The first two pages of the chapter talk about the relationship of the Affordable Care Act to issues of federalism. We will talk about this in class. No questions, but please read it.

**What is Federalism and why does it matter (pages 57-60)**

1) What is federalism in practical terms? 57

2) What powers are distinct to the national and state governments? What is an example of concurrent power? 58

3) Do local (cities and counties) governments share in this power relationship? 58

The chart on 59 is important! You **MUST** understand it

**Balancing national and** **state power in the Constitution (pages 60-62)**

4) Create your own chart (Venn Diagram would work well) (60-62)

* What specific aspects of the Constitution make the document “nation-centered”?
* What aspects make the Constitution “state-centered”?
* What clauses favor both perspectives

5) What does it mean that the past twenty years could be described as the “era of balanced federalism”? 68

6) What is Fiscal Federalism?

* What is is the difference between the two types of grants-in-aid?
	+ Categorical grants
	+ Block Grants

7) Describe what is New Federalism.

8) Explain the recent developments that reinforce the idea of national supremacy. 72-73

9) How have states responded to this environment? 74-75