Comparing the U.S. and Illinois Constitutions

Similar Principle	Different Details	
	US Constitution	**Illinois Constitution**

Separation of Powers	L = _Congress_
	 E = _President_
	 J = _US Supreme Court_
	  US Appellate Court
	  District courts
		L =_____
		 E = _____
		 J = State _____
		  State _____
		  _____ courts

Bicameral legislature	USHR = _435_ members US Senate = _100_ members US Reps = _2_ yr terms US Senator = _6_ yr terms	IL State House = ____members IL State Senate = ___ members IL State Reps = ___ year terms IL State Senators = ___ yr
terms		

	Min. Age for US Rep = _25_
	 Min. Age for US Senator = _30_
	
	 _1/3_ US Senate elected every
	  two years
		Min.Age for IL State Rep = ___
		 Min.Age IL State Senator = ___
		
		 ____ IL State Senate elected
		  every two years

Executive Branch
 _____
  Members = _____
	Chief Executive = _President_
	
	  Vice-Pres
	  Cabinet (appointed)
		Chief Executive =
		 Members = _President_
		
		  _____
		  _____
		  _____
		  _____
		  _____

	Chief Executive term limits =
	  _2_ full terms; _10_ years total
	
	 Min. Age for President = _35_
		Chief Executive term limits =
		  _____ limits on # of terms
		
		 Min. Age for Governor = _____

Judicial Branch _____	Selection process = _appointed_ Term of office = _life_	Selection process = Term of office = _____ years

Checks and Balances

# of Supreme Court justices =<u>9</u>

"E" veto time limit = <u>10</u> days

Veto rules = <u>100</u>% (all / none)

"L" veto override = <u>2/3</u>'s of

both

    both branches of Congress

Assembly

# of IL SC justices = _____

"E" veto time limit = ____days

Veto rules = "all" or "parts only"

"L" veto override = ____s of

    branches of General