

## Congressional Leadership and the Legislative Process

### APGO/PO ESSAY WRITING ASSIGNMENT

Directions: Write a clear, correct, and concise essay on the following prompt. The essay must be handwritten in blue or black ink pen.

Both party leadership and committees in Congress play key roles in the legislative process.

- (a) Define two of the following elements of the congressional committee system and explain how each influences the legislative process.
- Specialization
  - Reciprocity/logrolling
  - Party representation on committees
- (b) Identify two ways party leadership in Congress can influence the legislative process, and explain how each way influences the process.