Government and Politics Chapter 12: Section 1 & 2 Crossword Puzzle

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| **Across**  **3.** Members Of the House and Senate picked by their parties to carry out party decisions and steer legislative action to meet party goals.  **4.** A member who heads a standing committee in a legislative body  **8.** A closed meeting of the members of each party in each house.  **9.** Divisions of existing committees formed to address specific issues  **11.**  The floor leader of the party that holds the minority seats in the house.  **12.** The member of the United States Senator of the upper house of a State's legislature, chosen to preside in the absence of the president of the senate.  **13.** A temporary joint body.  **14.** An unwritten rule in both houses of congress reserving the top posts in each chamber,particularly committee chairmanships for members with the longest records of service.  **15.** The floor leader of the party that holds the majority seats in the house of Congress. | **Down**  **1.**  Panels set up for a specific purpose and most often for a limited time.  **2.** A proposal for action that has the force of law when passed; usually deals with special circumstances or temporary matters.  **5.** The presiding officer of a senate in Congress, the Vice President of the United States in a State's Legislature, either the lieutenant governor or a senator.  **6.** The presiding officer of the House of representatives, chosen by and from the majority party in the House.  **7.** Permanent committees in the legislative body to which bills in specific subject matter areas are preferred.  **10.** Assistants to the floor leaders in the House and Senate, responsible for monitoring and marshaling votes. |