# *The United States’ First Constitution*

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| ***WEAKNESSES*** | ***CONSEQUENCES*** |
| 1. No executive; the Congress worked through committees |  |
| 2. Required nine of thirteen States to approve laws (each State had one vote) |  |
| 3. Required all of the States’ approval to amend the Articles of Confederation |  |
| 4. No power to levy or enforce taxes; Congress could raise money only by borrowing or asking States for money |  |
| 5. No power to regulate interstate commerce |  |
| 6. No power to enforce treaties |  |
| 7. No power to enforce its own laws |  |
| 8. No national court system |  |



