The Checks and Balances System: A Worksheet

Various governmental powers are listed below. Identify the branch doing the checking and the branch being checked. More than one answer is possible per section. 

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| **Power** | **Which Branch Has The Power?** | **Which Branch's Power is Being Checked? (Could be more than one)** |
| **1) Create and pass legislation.** |  |  |
| **2) Veto bills.** |  |  |
| **3) Ratify treaties.** |  |  |
| **4) Appoint Federal judges.** |  |  |
| **5) Impeachment of federal**   **officials.** |  |  |
| **6) Confirm the appointment**   **of presidential appointments.** |  |  |
| **7) Declare laws unconstitutional.** |  |  |
| **8) Override Presidential Vetoes.** |  |  |
| **9) Judges are appointed for life.** |  |  |
| **10) Controls appropriations of**   **money.** |  |  |