The House of Representatives has the power of impeachment, that is, bringing charges against officials, and the Senate has the power to try and convict following House impeachment charges.

**Impeachment Procedure**

A president may face impeachment if he is charged with "treason, bribery, or other high crimes and misdemeanors."

**Introduce impeachment articles**

Any member of the House may introduce an article or articles of impeachment.

**House Judiciary Committee Action**

Impeachment charges are referred to the House Judiciary Committee, which then makes a recommendation to the full House as to whether impeachment is called for.

**House Votes Yes**

The House votes for impeachment. A simple majority vote is required.

**OR**

**House Votes No**

Impeachment charges are dismissed.

**Senate Impeachment Trial**

The president faces a Senate impeachment trial with the chief justice of the Supreme Court presiding.

**Removal from Office**

If found guilty, the president can be removed from office and/or prevented from serving in other public offices. He may then face charges in the public court system.