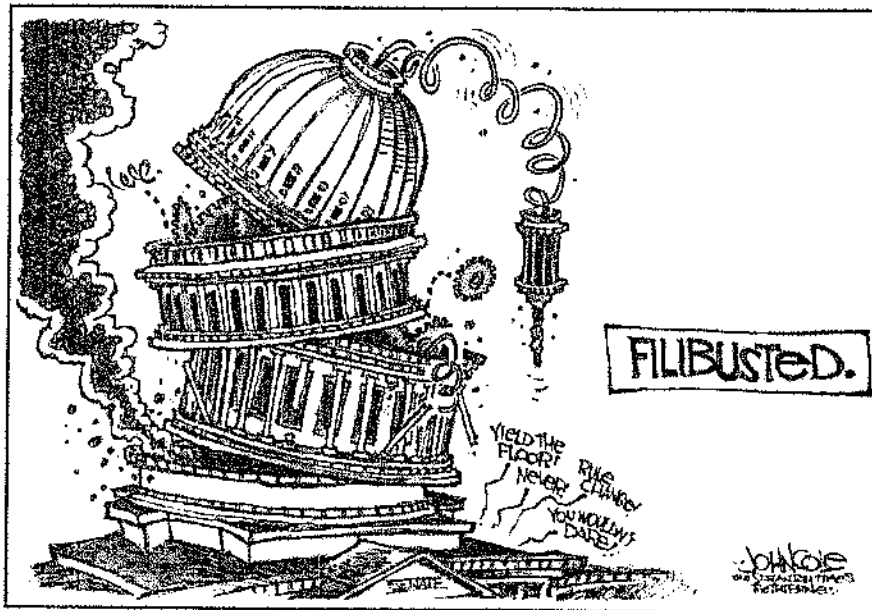


**Filibustering in the Senate**



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**ANALYZING POLITICAL CARTOONS**

Study the political cartoon and then answer the questions that follow.

1. What does the cartoon show?

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2. What do you think the cartoonist's point of view is regarding the practice of filibustering?

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3. Though filibustering is allowed only in the Senate, how does it affect the entire legislative branch, as represented by the U.S. Capitol building?

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**WRITING ACTIVITY**

What are some advantages and disadvantages of the filibuster? Should the rules governing debate in the Senate be rewritten? Write a short essay explaining your opinion on this issue. Support your point of view with reasoning and examples from the political cartoon and your studies.