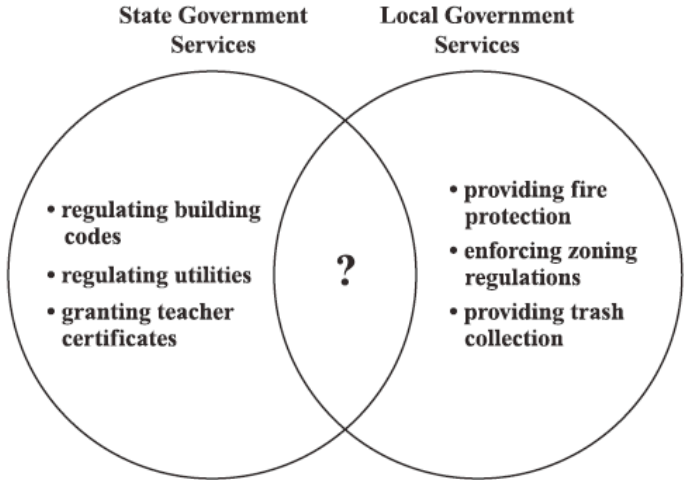


### SS.7.C.3.14 Low Level of Complexity Sample Item Explanation

Question	Which level of government regulates drivers' licenses?	The correct response should identify the level of government that provides drivers' license-related services.
A	county	<b>Incorrect</b> – Counties do not regulate drivers' licenses.
B	federal	<b>Incorrect</b> – The national government does not regulate drivers' licenses.
C	municipal	<b>Incorrect</b> – Municipalities (cities) do not regulate drivers' licenses.
D	state	<b>Correct</b> – State governments regulate drivers' licenses so that license requirements are the same throughout each state.



### SS.7.C.3.14 Moderate Level of Complexity Sample Item Explanation

Question	<p>The Venn diagram below shows some services provided by state and local governments.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p style="text-align: center;"> <b>State Government Services</b>      <b>Local Government Services</b> </p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li style="width: 45%;"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• regulating building codes</li> <li>• regulating utilities</li> <li>• granting teacher certificates</li> </ul> </li> <li style="width: 10%; text-align: center;">?</li> <li style="width: 45%;"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• providing fire protection</li> <li>• enforcing zoning regulations</li> <li>• providing trash collection</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </div> <p>Which service completes the Venn diagram?</p>	<p>The diagram compares and contrasts state and local government services.</p> <p>The correct answer should replace the question mark with a service provided by both state and local government.</p>
A	regulating taxicabs	<b>Incorrect</b> – Local governments maintain control over taxicabs including how much taxicabs charge to transport customers.
B	creating a police force	<b>Correct</b> – Creating police forces is a concurrent power to local and state governments. State level police forces are created to enforce state statutes. Local level police forces are created to enforce local ordinances.
C	regulating savings banks	<b>Incorrect</b> – Regulating savings banks is a concurrent power between the federal and state government; local governments do not regulate savings banks.
D	issuing driver licenses	<b>Incorrect</b> – Issuing driver licenses is a power reserved to state governments.



## SS.7.C.3.14 High Level of Complexity Sample Item Explanation

Question	<p>The statement below is from a document.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px auto; width: 80%;"> <p>Without support from Congress or the President, efforts to avoid compliance with enacted law are not likely to succeed.</p> </div> <p>Source: legal memorandum</p> <p>What conclusion can be drawn from the statement?</p>	<p>Read and analyze the statement.</p> <p>The correct response should describe a government services that are provided by the federal government.</p>
A	It is illegal to suspend trash collection.	<b>Incorrect</b> – The statement does not support this response. The federal government does not collect trash; trash collection is a local government service. The passage references both the federal legislative branch (Congress) and the federal executive branch (the President), so the statement is about federal services.
B	It is illegal to suspend police services.	<b>Incorrect</b> – The statement does not support this response because police services are provided by local, state and federal levels of government. A city or a county would not need “support from Congress or the President” to suspend police services.
C	It is illegal to suspend mail delivery.	<b>Correct</b> – This is the correct response because mail delivery is a service that the federal government provides. According to the statement, efforts to avoid following the law would be unsuccessful without the help of Congress (the federal legislative branch) or the President (the federal executive branch). A city, county or state could not stop delivering the mail without permission and assistance from the federal government. The Supremacy Clause requires all states and local governments to follow federal law.
D	It is illegal to suspend fire services.	<b>Incorrect</b> – The statement does not support this response. Local governments provide fire services, not the federal government. The statement is about the federal legislative branch (Congress) and the federal executive branch (the President).

