Sourses of constitutional law….

1. Legislation

It is the formulation of law by the appropriate organ or organs of the state, in such a manner that the actual words used are themselves part of the law.  
It includes the making of new law, and the alteration or repeal of existing law.

**-The characters of the Legislation**  
1- It is described as the easiest and most common way of developing law, which the courts can not do.  
2- It is the most important source of law in civilized countries.  
3- It is embodied in an authoritative form of written words and this literary expression is an essential part of the law itself.

**-The importance of the legislation**  
1- It increased range of the activities of the modern state and its centralizing tendency.  
2- The rise of democratic forms of government is, also, a reason for the popularity of legislation as a source of law.  
3- The emergence of socialism in many countries, after the second world war has landed legislation on a concerts ground, legislation is the natural method of law-making for effecting socialist policies. Socialism requires the interference of the state in almost spheres of private and public law.

**-The advantages of Legislation**  
The advantages of the legislation may be stated briefly as follows:  
1- Clarity.  
2- Speed.  
3- Universality.

**-The kinds of the legislation**  
It is conceivable to divide legislation into three categories:  
1- Constitutional Legislation.  
2- Ordinary legislation.  
3- Subordinate legislation.

**1-The Constitutional legislation**  
It described as the most supreme kind, It is the constitution of the state which defines its political system, the form of its government, and the relationships a among the state’s public authorities.

**2-The Ordinary legislation**  
It is the greatest part of legislative enactments belongs to this category. it includes all legal rules enacted by the legislature in accordance with the principles of the constitution.

The Subordinate legislation   
This category describes the legal rules enacted by the ‘executive’ acting upon a delegated authority from the legislature, as in case with enacting ‘regulations’ or when it acts on the legislative behalf, as in the case with enacting’ executive order’.

The situation of the Iraqi legal system from Legislation  
According to the first article of the Iraqi Civil Code No, 40, 1951 legislation is considered to be as the following:  
1- An authoritative source of the rule of law.  
2- First source of the rule of law represented by the laws that issued by the legislative authority.