

Engage:

Home Rule Charters Graphic Organizer

Directions: Read the article on common law and summarize each paragraph. Vocabulary terms are provided. The first one is done for you.

Opening Line of Paragraph	Vocabulary	Paragraph Summary in My Own Words
Local governments are indispensable...	indispensable: extremely necessary	<i>Local governments play an important role in our daily lives but sometimes lack the power to carry out its role</i>
Louisiana, like many other states...	tenets: principles	
The powers that a local government may exercise are listed in their charter...	abides: follows tenor: the course of thought that runs through something apportion: assigns	
The first home rule charter in Louisiana was granted to East Baton Rouge Parish...	parish: term used for districts in Louisiana self-actualizing: a process that	

	automatically is completed with no further action needed after starting	
Cities and parishes typically seek a home rule charter after finding...	<p>autonomy: the ability to act on its own without external authorization or direction</p> <p>zoning: dividing an area into separate zones for specific purposes, like keeping houses in one area and businesses in another</p>	