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## The Chamber of Deputies Website

[www.camara.gov.br](http://www.camara.gov.br)

### Main Goals

- Focus on legislative procedures as well as on information and services that support parliamentary work
- Transparency
- Interaction with society
- Supply useful information for both ordinary users and experts on legislative affairs



## The Chamber of Deputies Website

### Legislative Procedures and Information

#### The Floor and The Committees

- On-line information on Plenary sittings and Committee meetings
- Audio recording of Plenary sittings and Committee meetings in real time via Internet
- Speeches released on the Internet a few minutes after delivery



## The Chamber of Deputies Website

### Legislative Procedures and Information

#### Bills and Laws

- Advanced search engine
- Full texts
- Bills step-by-step
- Most searched bills
- Follow-up of bills available via e-mail
- Full legislation collection
- Links to foreign legislation websites



## The Chamber of Deputies Website

### Legislative Procedures and Information

#### Legislative information and media

- Homepage with a central area dedicated to information and media
- TV Câmara (also via Internet)
  - Since 1998
  - Open signal in UHF to Brasilia
  - Cable broadcast to other regions
  - Emphasis on journalism
  - Special programmes and awarded documentaries



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### Legislative Procedures and Information

#### Legislative information and media

- Radio Câmara (also via Internet)
  - Distributes news releases and other programmes to 723 radio stations
  - Produces news programmes together with other government departments
- Internet News Agency
  - 9,000 registered subscribers
  - 29 different areas (Economics, Law, Education, etc.)
  - The Agency provides information to 550 websites



## The Chamber of Deputies Website

### Legislative Procedures and Information

#### Legislative information and media

- Webjournal Câmara  
Also in paper for free distribution  
PDF version  
Previous editions



## The Chamber of Deputies Website

### Legislative Procedures and Information

#### Deputies

- Bills presented
- Bills reported
- Speeches
- Presence and voting – Floor
- Presence – Committees
- Biography



## The Chamber of Deputies Website

### Transparency

- The Budget of the Chamber of Deputies
- Parliamentary expenses
- Bidding and contracts
- Official missions
- Federal Budget
  - Understanding the Federal Budget (citizen and expert views)
  - Examining the Federal Budget



## The Chamber of Deputies Website

### Interaction with society

- Contact the Chamber
- Contact your Deputy
- Discussion Groups
- Chats
- Committee on Legislative Participation



## The Chamber of Deputies Website

### Interaction with society

- Interactive Communication Centre

Toll-free number

Quality award in 2006

Contact your Deputy

450,000 calls received in 2006

30,500 e-mails received in 2006



## The Chamber of Deputies Website

### Accessibility

- Contents adapted for visually impaired users
- Compliance with W3C (Worldwide Web Consortium) recommendations



## The Chamber of Deputies Children Website

[www.plenarinho.gov.br](http://www.plenarinho.gov.br)

- Legislative procedures explained to children in a fun way
- Games
- Chats
- Educational tool for teachers
- [Animations](#)



**Thank You!**

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