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Assignment: write a review on chapter 8 of salient issues in Government

SOLUTION

CHAPTER EIGHT: this chapter is talking about citizens roles in a democracy

Sovereignty resides in and flows from the people in a democracy they have a collective right to choose their governmental political and electoral systems as part of self determination.

CONCEPTUAL CLARIFICATION

in order to enhance their meanings as used within the context of this paper it is important to clarify a few concepts.

Citizen/citizenship

The term citizen has an inherently political meaning that implies a certain type of relationship between the people and government.

Citizens have a set of rights and responsibilities including the right to participate in decisions that affect public welfare.

Citizens right

Individual’s right and liberties are the groundwork of the state since it exists to enable men to live and develop fully.

In order to let the citizens haves share in the running of his/her government a group of rights is very essential.

Democracy

It has been etymology established that the word democracy is derived from the Greek word demos meaning people and karat is meaning rule that is rule by the people the concept of democracy like many other political concepts first originated from Ancient Greece where in the city states

Duties and responsibilities of citizens in a democracy

While the state provides rights and liberties all citizens have duties to the state democracy citizens recognise that they not only have rights they have responsibilities.

there is a saying in free societies you get the government you deserve. For democracy to succeed citizens must be active not passive because they know that the success or failure of the government is their responsibility and no one else in turn,government officials understand that all citizens should be treated equally.