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Although the GDR founded 1948 with a federal structure, mutated in June 1952 to become a centralized state subdivided in districts, the Federal Council (Länderkammer) existed until 1958. This is a remarkable example of bureaucratic ossification which unfortunately is not explained in this book, e.g. by building an modern economic theories of bureaucracy.

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