

How A BILL BECOMES A LAW

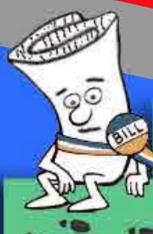


HOUSE

Introduction & First Reading



Second Reading & Referred to Committee



Committee Hearing & Vote

Failed: No Further Action, Possible Reconsideration



Third Reading Final Passage & Recorded Vote

Committee Report

YES



Bill Passes, Moves to The SENATE

SENATE

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YES



Bill Passes & Returns to The HOUSE

HOUSE

Did Bill Pass The SENATE without Amendments



NO

Does HOUSE accept changes in Amended Bill

NO

YES

Enrolled & Sent to The Governor

YES

Conference Committee House and Senate Members attempt to iron out their differences over the bill.

Report of Conference Committee sent to House and Senate.

Do both House and Senate accept Conference Committee Report?

NO

Bill Fails at least one body rejects report agreement not achieved

THE BILL BECOMES LAW

Governor Signs Bill & Becomes an Act

OR

Governor fails to sign within constitutionally prescribed time period. Bill becomes an Act

OR

Governor vetoes bill and two-thirds of House and Senate vote to override veto in favor of bill. Bill becomes an Act

Acts enacted during regular sessions become effective on August 1 or on effective date stated in the Act AND

Acts enacted during extraordinary sessions become effective on the 60th day after adjournment or on effective date stated in the Act.