How a Bill Becomes a Law

Senate Committee

Bill is debated and/or amended.

A bill is introduced in the Senate or House.

House Committee

Bill is debated and/or amended.

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Senate Floor Vote

Bill is debated and a vote is taken.

If the bill passes, it starts the process all over in the opposite chamber.

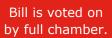
House Floor Vote

Bill is debated and a vote is taken.





Bill passes without amendments. Sent to governor for signature or veto.





OR







If amended, original chamber votes. Passes with amendments, sent to governor. Bill fails, the two chambers agree on a final version and both houses vote. Once passes, it is sent to governor.

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