

HOW A BILL BECOMES A LAW

IT ALL STARTS WITH AN IDEA

JUST FOLLOW THE ARROWS...

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Request

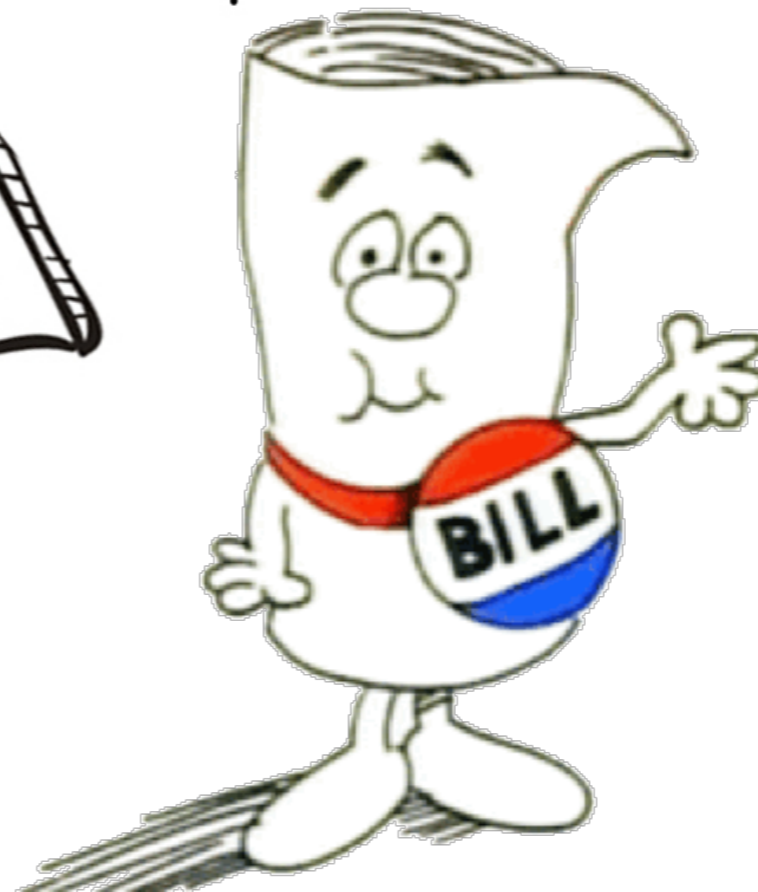


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Co-Sponsors



OUR BILL
-
IS INTRODUCED THEN
GOES TO A COMMITTEE
-
IS SCHEDULED
-
HAS A PUBLIC HEARING
-
THEN THE COMMITTEE
MAKES A
RECOMMENDATION AND
SENDS IT
TO BE VOTED ON

A House Rep is
the Prime Sponsor of **HB**

A Senator is
the Prime Sponsor of **SB**



"Ought to pass" **OTP**

"Ought to pass as amended" **OTPA**

"Inexpedient to legislate" **ITL**

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OR THE SENATE HOLD THEIR SESSION

We don't vote "Yea" if we like what the bill does, we vote "Yea" only if we agree with the committee's recommendation.

If the recommendation is **OTP** or **OTPA**, and the majority votes "Yea", then the bill passes to the other chamber for the same process.

IF WE VOTE "YEA" TO **ITL** THE BILL DIES HERE.

OUR BILL IS ADDED TO
THE CALENDAR FOR THE
FLOOR SESSION

INCLUDES A 'BLURB'
DESCRIBING THE
REASONS FOR THE
COMMITTEE'S DECISION

IT MAY INCLUDE A
MINORITY OPINION

THEN HOUSE VOTES TO
AGREE OR DISAGREE
WITH THE COMMITTEE

HOUSE BILLS

SENATE BILLS

Introduced and sent to House Committee

Introduced and sent to Senate Committee

House Committee Hearing and Recommendation

Senate Committee Hearing and Recommendation

Full House Votes

Full Senate Votes

BILLS THAT ARE PASSED CROSSOVER TO THE OTHER CHAMBER



Sent to House Committee

Sent to Senate Committee

House Committee Hearing and Recommendation

Senate Committee Hearing and Recommendation

Full House Votes

Full Senate Votes

Bills with differences are agreed to or they die

Bills that pass both the House and the Senate Go to the Governor

PASSED AND SIGNED BILLS BECOME CHAPTERED LAW

But, really, how can almost any bill become a law?

It's as simple as people getting elected.

Good people and bad...

IF YOU ELECT
GOOD PEOPLE

**YOU GET GOOD BILLS AND THAT
MAKES FOR GOOD GOVERNMENT**

