How A Bill Becomes A Law

Bill is introduced in either the House of Representatives or the Senate



Committee studies bill, at which time the public may be present.



Chamber debates the bill. The public may be present to show support or oppose.



If passed, the bill is sent to the other chamber. There, a similar procedure takes place.



If passed with amendments, the bill is returned to the original chamber. If members approve it, it is sent to the President.

If passed without amendments, the bill goes straight to the President.



President may veto, sign, or not sign the bill. If not vetoed, the bill becomes a LAW.