

The Legislative Process

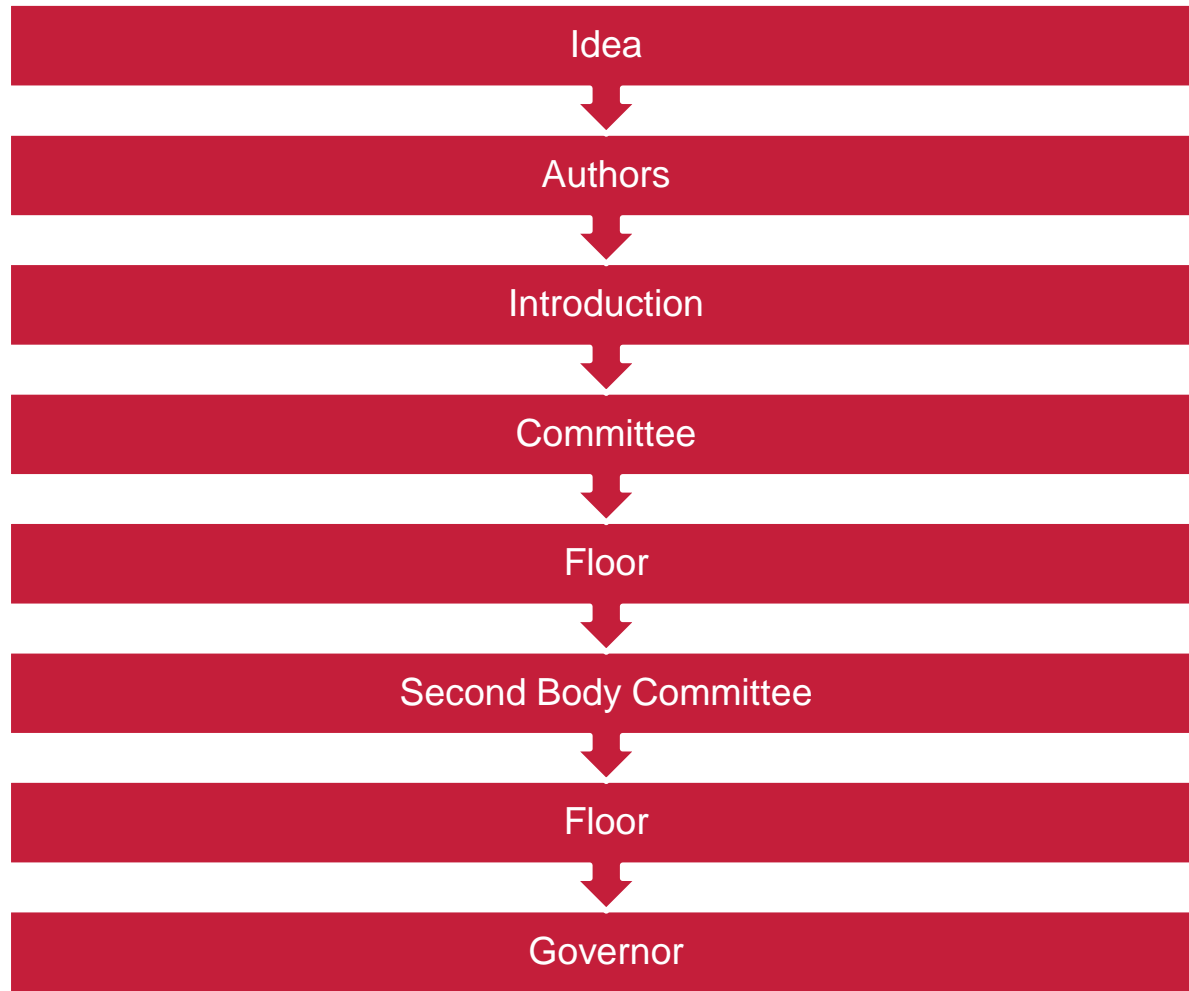


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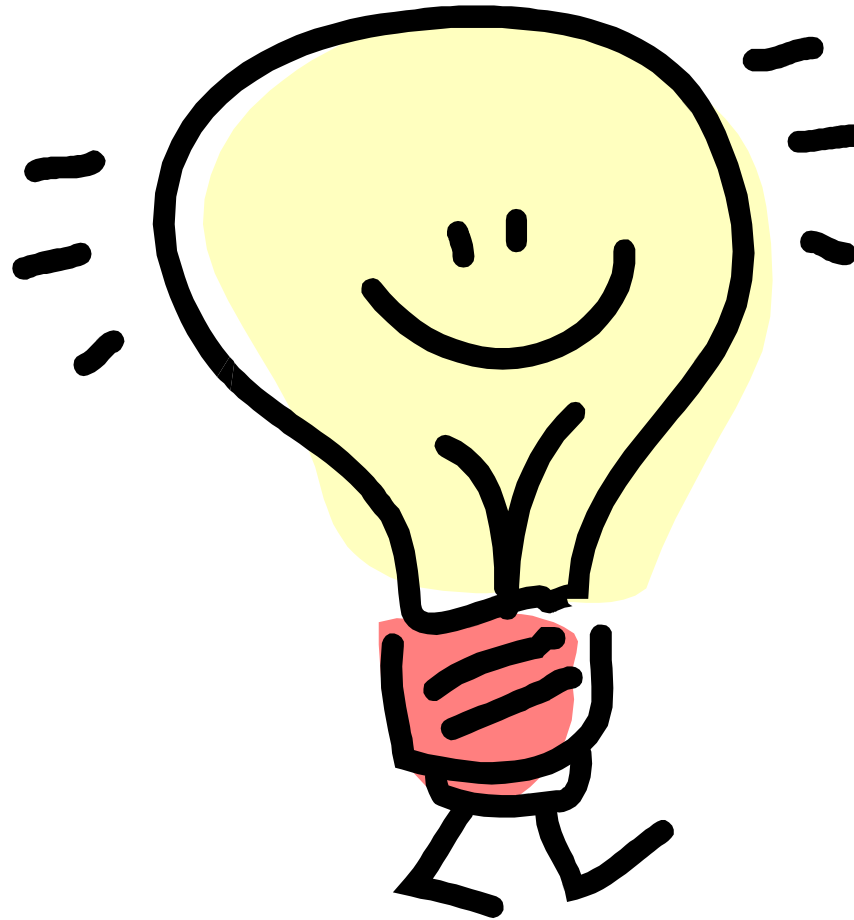
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How a Bill Becomes a Law

Generally Speaking



Start with an Idea

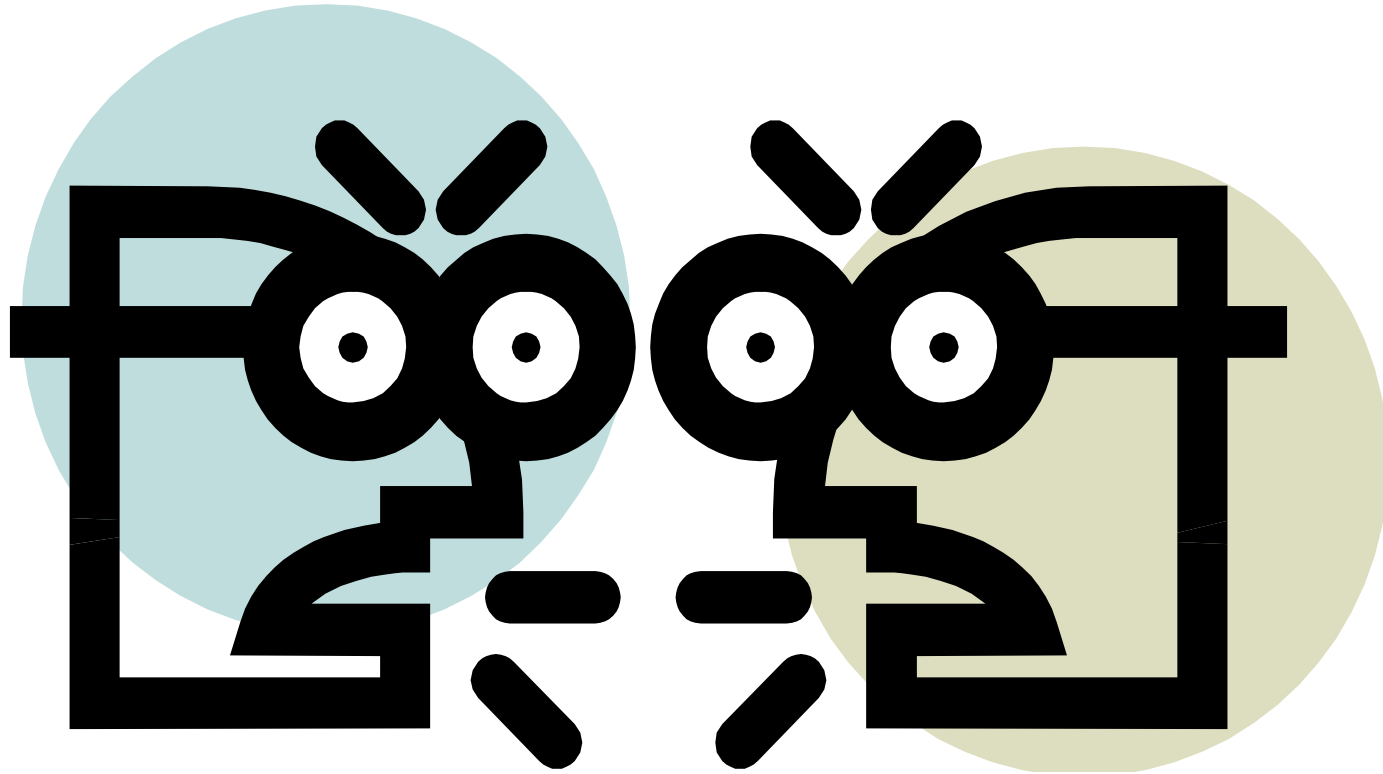


What Would it Take to Become Law?



Would there be Opposition?

Who are you going to have to persuade?



Find an Author & Legislative Champion

Champions are needed in both the Senate and House



Have the Bill Drafted



Recruit Co-Sponsors



Author Introduces the Bill



Provide your Author with Talking Points

He or She can help recruit supporters and move the bill through the process

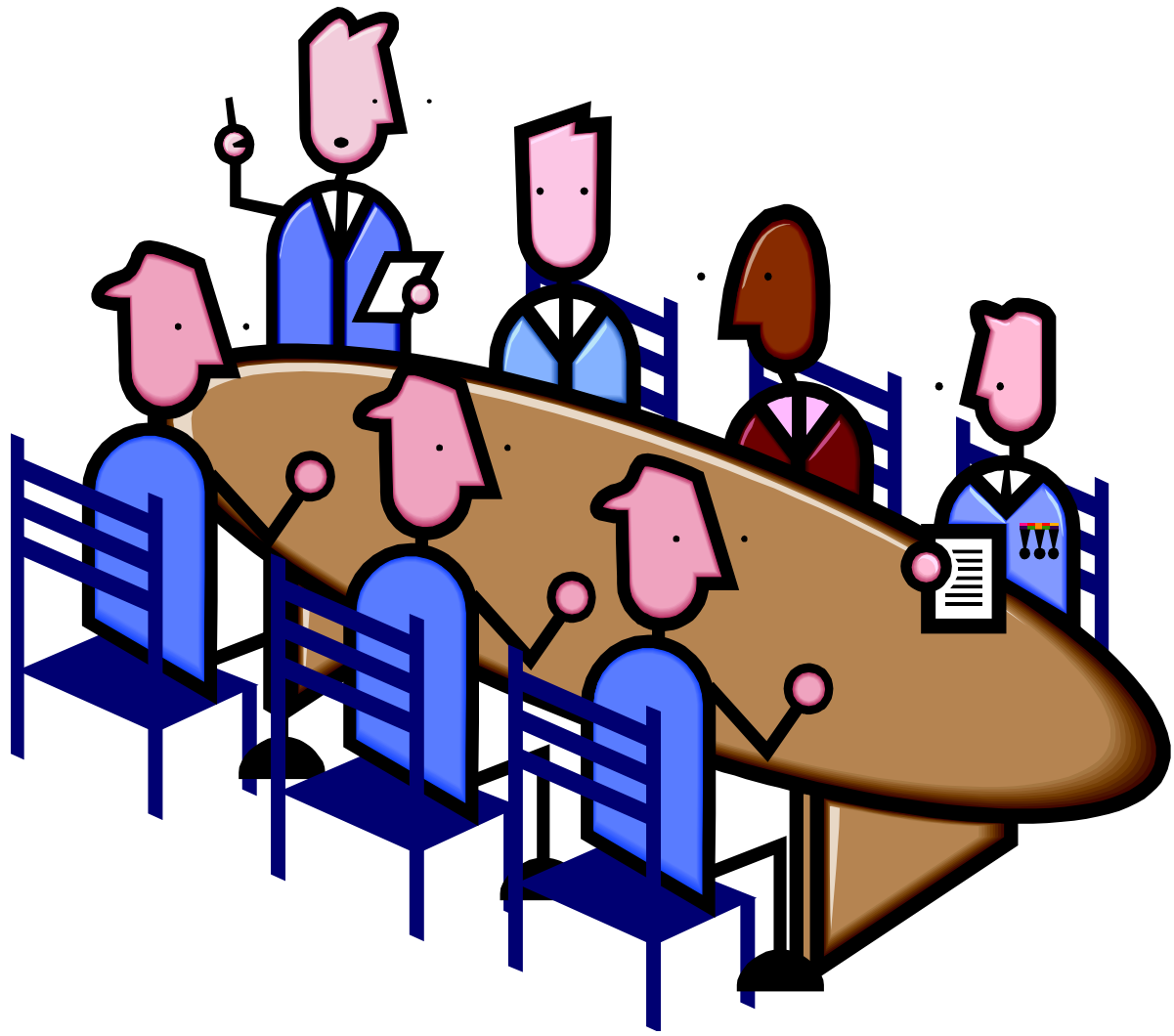


Determine Committee of Jurisdiction

Where will it go?

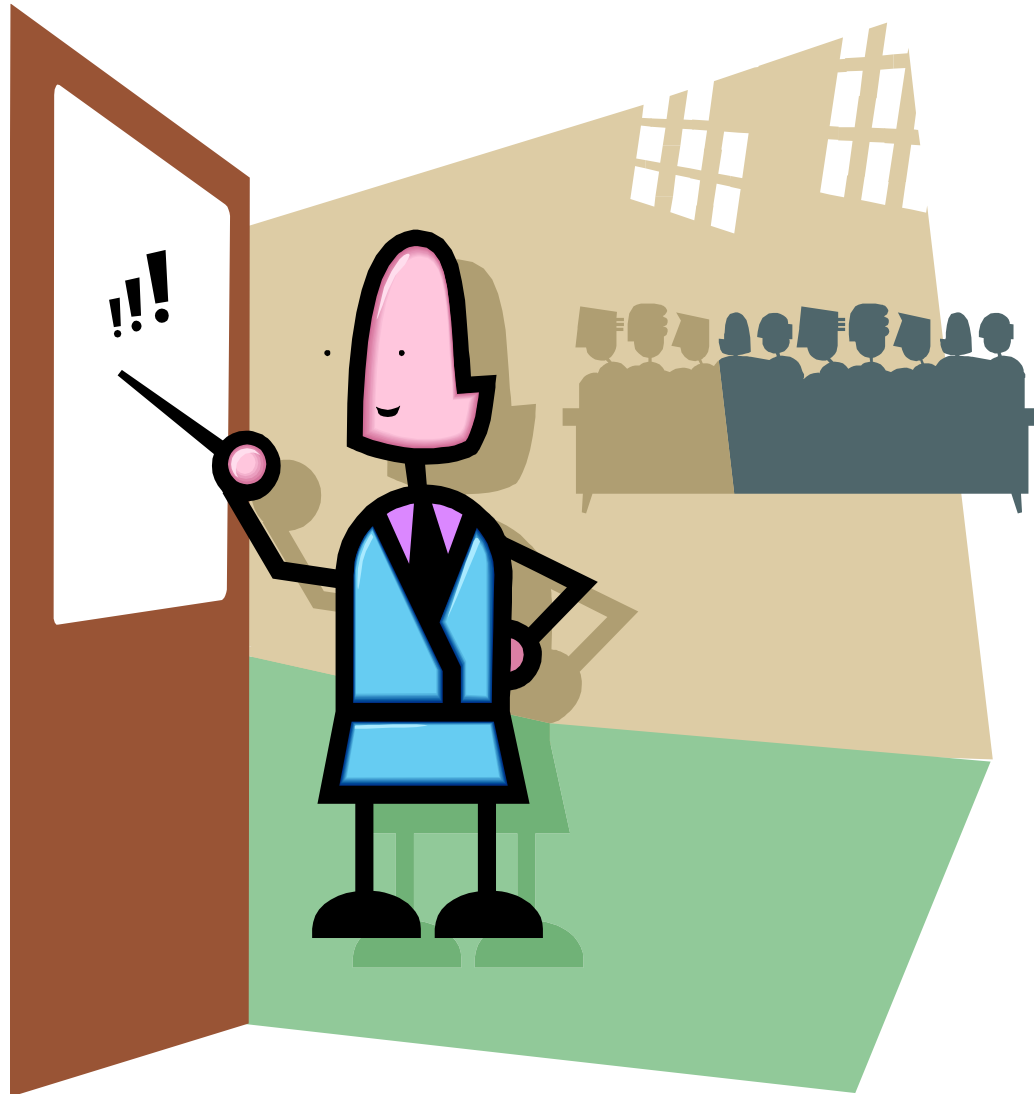


Meet with Committee Members

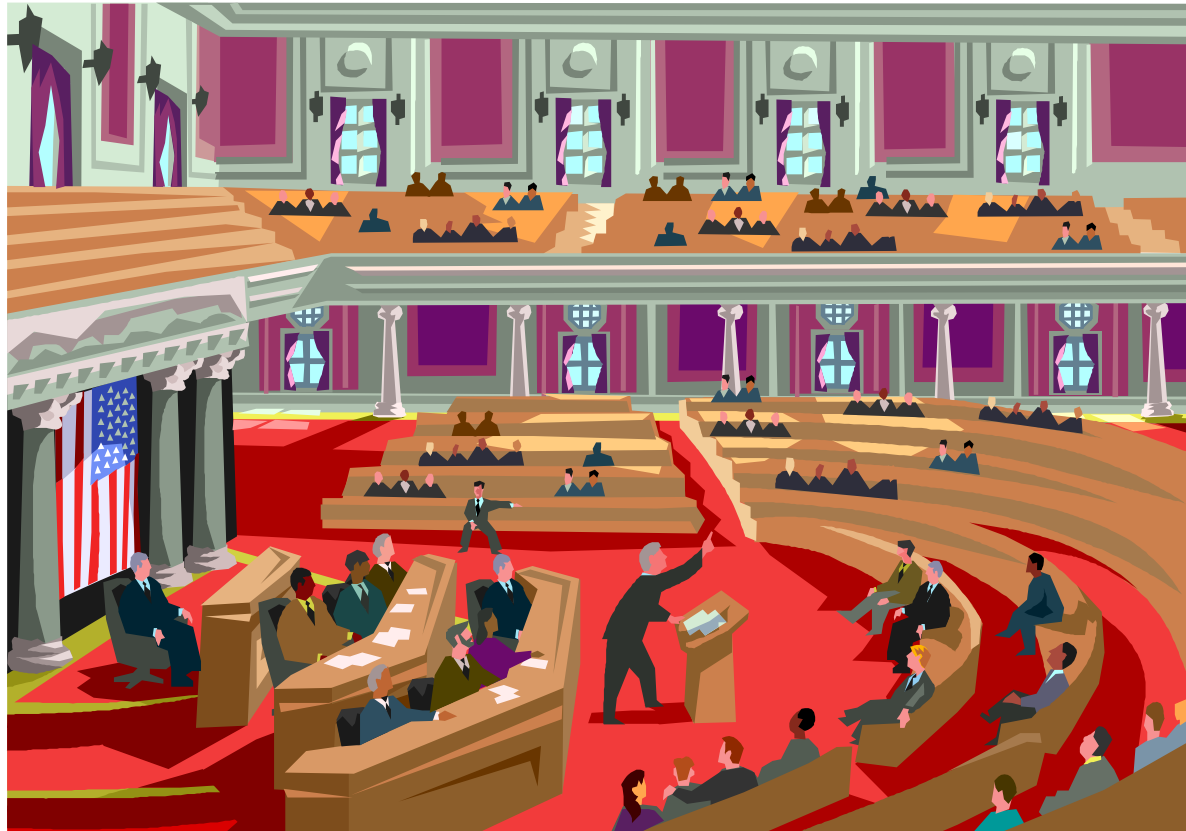


Provide Testimony in Committee Hearings

Experts and passionate constituents



Bill Moved to House/Senate Floor



Bill Passes Both Bodies

Same bill must pass both bodies



Bill Presented to Governor for Signature or Veto



Bill Becomes Law

