HOW A BILL BECOMES LAW IN THE STATES

Idea → 1st Reading → Committee Consideration

- Referred to another committee
- Reported to House or Senate With or without Amendments
- Killed

Killed → 2nd Reading → Bill debated and voted.

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- 3rd Reading: Vote is taken.

Passed: Bill sent to 2nd chamber and process repeats.

Bill passes 2nd chamber without differences. → Governor’s Action

- Governor Signs or becomes law without signature.
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    - Conference committee appointed to address differences.

Legislature

- Overrides veto. 2/3 vote of each house.
- Sustains veto.
  - Report passed by both chambers.
  - Killed

Bill becomes law.