

A bill is first introduced and READ. It is then READ one more time.

The bill is referred to the proper committee

While the bill is in the appropriate committee it is DEBATED by proponents and opponents. The committee may offer AMENDMENTS or a different version of the bill.

The committee chairperson returns to the House and reports of any recommendations or amendments to the bill. The bill is then placed on a CALENDAR

If passed, the bill is then sent to the SENATE. The bill follows a very similar process. Both houses must PASS THE SAME VERSION. No exceptions.

The bill is READ again. This time, however, there is no DEBATE. The final passage of the bill is by a ROLL CALL vote.

Once the bill's time comes it is READ by the House and then DEBATED upon. If passed, the bill is VOTED UPON and PRINTED.

If the bill is passed by both houses it is sent to the OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR.

If the bill is not agreed on by both houses it is SENT BACK TO THE HOUSE IT ORIGINATED IN. Then this new bill is VOTED UPON/SENT TO THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR.

PASS/REJECT

If the governor signs it becomes a LAW.

If the individual does not sign the bill it could still become a law if 2/3 OF BOTH HOUSES AGREE (GENERAL ASSEMBLY).