HOW A BILL BECOMES LAW IN MISSISSIPPI

Introduction in House or Senate (First Reading)

Reference to Committee (Second Reading)

Committee Hearings

Report of Committee

Placed on Calendar

Debate by House of Origin (Third Reading)

Vote

If bill passes, sent to other House

Introduction to Other House (First Reading)

Reference to Committee (Second Reading)

Committee Hearings

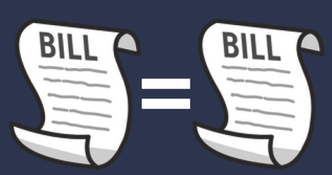
Report of Committee

Placed on Calendar

Debate (Third Reading)

Vote

If bill passes, sent back to House of Origin



Bill Passes Both Houses (Identical Form)

OR

Bill Passes Both Houses (Different Form; House of Origin ACCEPTS Changes)

OR

Bill Passes Both Houses (Different Form; House of Origin REJECTS Changes)

Bill Sent to Conference Committee

Conference Committee Reaches Compromise and Files Conference Report

Both Houses Vote on Conference Report

If Both Houses Adopt Conference Report

Enrolled Bill Sent to Governor

Bill Becomes Law If:

1. Signed By Governor
2. Not Signed by Governor by Deadline
3. Vetoed But Overriden

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