



How a Bill Becomes a Law in Texas

In Texas, a bill becomes a law by passing through a few main stages in the Texas legislature:

1. Introduction of the bill
2. Committee Action (where the bill is assigned to a relevant subcommittee to review in depth)
3. Floor Action (when a bill is discussed by the entire House OR Senate after in-depth review from a subcommittee)
4. Enrollment (when both the House and Senate has passed the bill in identical form and it moves to the Governor for final signing/approval).
5. The bill becomes a law.

Each bill starts off as either a house bill or a senate bill, or both. If a bill is introduced as both a house bill and a senate bill it is done so to increase the bill's chances of getting passed into law.

