HOW A BILL BECOMES LAW IN COLORADO

FIRST CHAMBER HEARINGS

A Bill starts in either the House of Representatives or the Senate

Introduced in the First Chamber

First Reading by the Chamber Clerk

Referred to a Committee by Leadership

Committee Hearing and Vote

Second Reading in the Chamber with Debate, Amendments and a Voice Vote

Third Reading with a Recorded Vote

SECOND CHAMBER HEARINGS

Third Reading with a Recorded Vote

Second Reading in the Chamber with Debate and Amendments and a Voice Vote

Committee Hearing and Vote

Referred to a Committee by Leadership

First Reading by the Chamber Clerk

Introduced in the Second Chamber

Bill is Sent to the Second Chamber

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Bill Sent to a Conference Committee Composed of Members of Both Chambers

If Conference Committee Reaches an Agreement

Committee Report Adopted by Both Chambers

GOVERNOR

The Governor Signs the Bill or Lets the Bill Become Law with no Signature

The Governor Vetoes the Bill

If Bill is not Referred to the People, it is Sent to the Governor

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Veto is Overridden with a 2/3 Vote of all Members

Veto is not Overridden and Bill Does not Become Law

If the Bill is Referred to the People, an Election Will Be Held

Bill Becomes Law!

Bill Fails

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Bill Passes Second Chamber with No Amendments

Bill Passes Second Chamber with Amendments

First Chamber Accepts Amendments

First Chamber Rejects Amendments

We Agree

OR

We Disagree

OR

Bill is Referred to the People, an Election Will Be Held

Bill Fails

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