HOW A BILL BECOMES A LAW IN ILLINOIS

- **Bill is drafted by the Legislative Reference Bureau**
- **Bill is introduced by a Sponsor in:**
  - House (HB 1234)
  - Senate (SB 1234)
  - Both (HB 1234 & SB 1234)
- **Bill is read into the record for the first time**
- **Bill assigned to:**
  - Rules Committee (House)
  - Assignments Committee (Senate)
- **Bill assigned to a substantive committee**
- **Bill is heard and voted on by that committee:**
  - **Passes out of committee:**
  - **Stays in committee (bill dies):**
- **Bill is read into the record for the second time. Amendments can be considered and voted on**
- **Bill is read into the record for the third time**
- **Bill is voted on by full chamber:**
  - **Passes:**
  - **Re-vote:**
  - **Fails (bill dies):**
- **If the bill passes the first chamber, it repeats the process in the second chamber (jump back to 3)**
- **Bill passes the second chamber:**
  - If there are changes: the first chamber revotes on the bill
  - No changes: bill sent to Governor
- **Bill has 30 days to be sent to the Governor**
- **Bill becomes law!**

**Vetoes bill**
- **Bill dies**
- Both chambers override veto

**Amendatorily vetoes bill**
- **Bill dies**
- Both chambers concur & return to Governor
- Both chambers override amendatory veto

**Signs bill**
- **No action taken after 60 days**

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