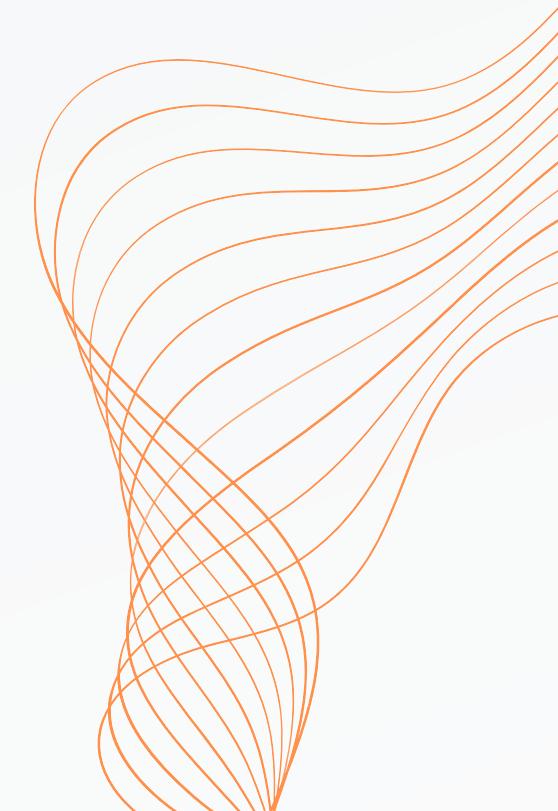




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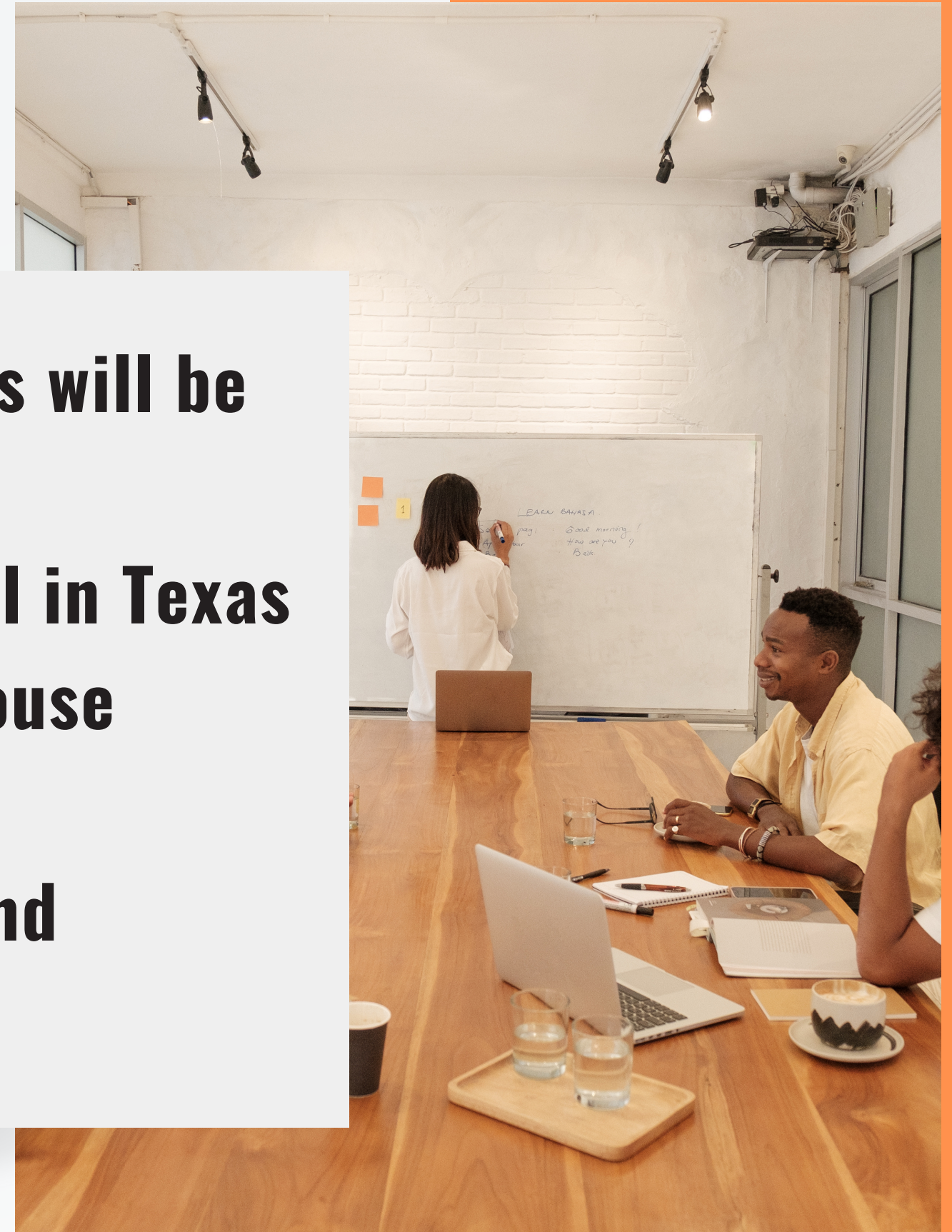
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OBJECTIVE



By the end of this session, constituents will be able to:

- **Explain the lifecycle of a House Bill in Texas**
- **Effectively research their state House representative**
- **Effectively research House Bills and amendments**



IMPORTANT VOCABULARY

- House Bill (AKA HB)-
- Resolution
- Senate Bill (AKA SB)
- House Joint Resolution (AKA HJR)
- HR
- HCR
- Public Hearing
- Quorum
- Point of Order
- Death
- Adopted
- Floor
- Sponsor

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Who represents you, what are their duties, which is the party in control?



STATE LEGISLATURE

The Texas Legislature is primarily responsible for writing and voting on the State laws, for these to become effective.

The Legislature meets in regular session on the second Tuesday in January of each odd-numbered year. [1] The Texas Constitution limits the regular session to 140 calendar days.

The lieutenant governor, elected statewide separately from the governor, presides over the Senate, while the Speaker of the House is elected from that body by its members.



STATE LEGISLATURE

Governor: Greg Abbott (R)

Lieutenant Governor: Dan Patrick (R)

Senators: Senate is Majority Republican.

Party		As of July 2023
■	Democratic Party	12
■	Republican Party	19
□	Other	0
□	Vacancies	0
Total		31

Senator Kelly Hancock, District 9 (R)



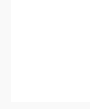
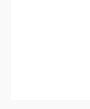
Senator Phil King, District 10 (R)

Senator Tan Parker, District 12 (R)

Senator Brian Birdwell, District 22 (R)

STATE LEGISLATURE

House of Representatives: House is Majority Republican.

Party		As of July 2023
	Democratic Party	64
	Republican Party	86
	Other	0
	Vacancies	0
Total		150

Rep. Ramon Ramirez, HD90 (D)
Rep. Stephanie Klick, HD91 (R)
Rep. Salman Bhojani, HD92 (D)
Rep. Nate Schatzline, HD93 (R)
Rep. Tony Tinderholt, HD94 (R)
Rep. Nicole Collier, HD95 (D)
Rep. David Cook, HD96 (R)
Rep. Craig Goldman, HD97 (R)
Rep. Giovanni Capriglione, HD98 (R)
Rep. Charlie Geren, HD99 (R)
Rep. Chris Turner, HD101 (D)

ISSUES IMPACTED BY STATE LEGISLATURE

- **ELECTION INTEGRITY**
- **QUALITY OF EDUCATION**
- **BORDER SECURITY**
- **PROPERTY TAXES**
- **GROOMING OF CHILDREN**
- **SAFETY/SCHOOL SAFETY**
- **GUN RIGHTS**



Charlie
Geren

HD99

Dirty



Justin
Holland

Dozen



Andrew
Murr



Glenn
Rogers

**TARRANT
RINOS**



Stephanie
Klick

HD91



Jacey
Jetton



Todd
Hunter



Ken
King



Jeff
Leach

HD97



Craig
Goldman



Dustin
Burrows



Lynn
Stucky

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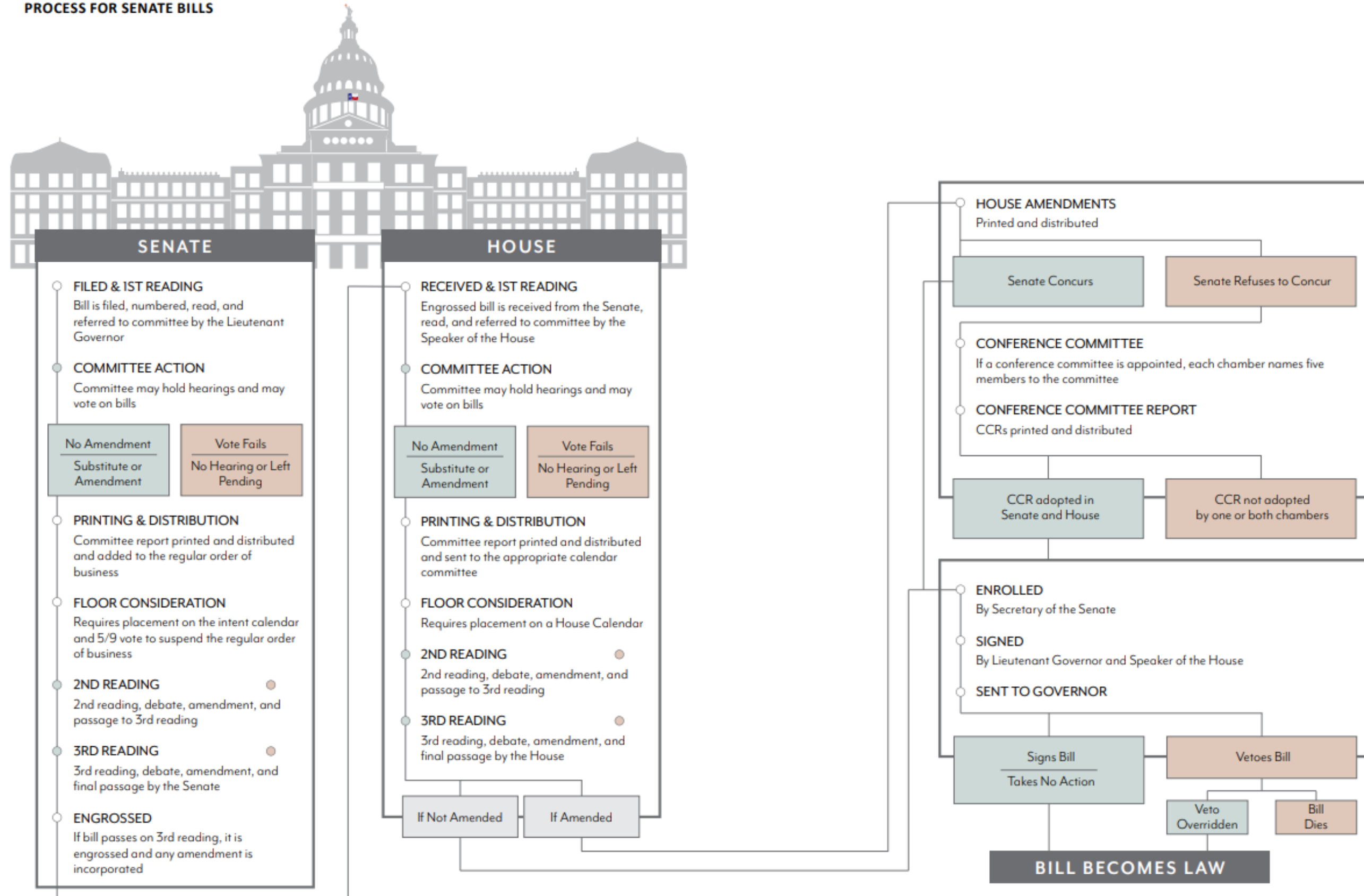
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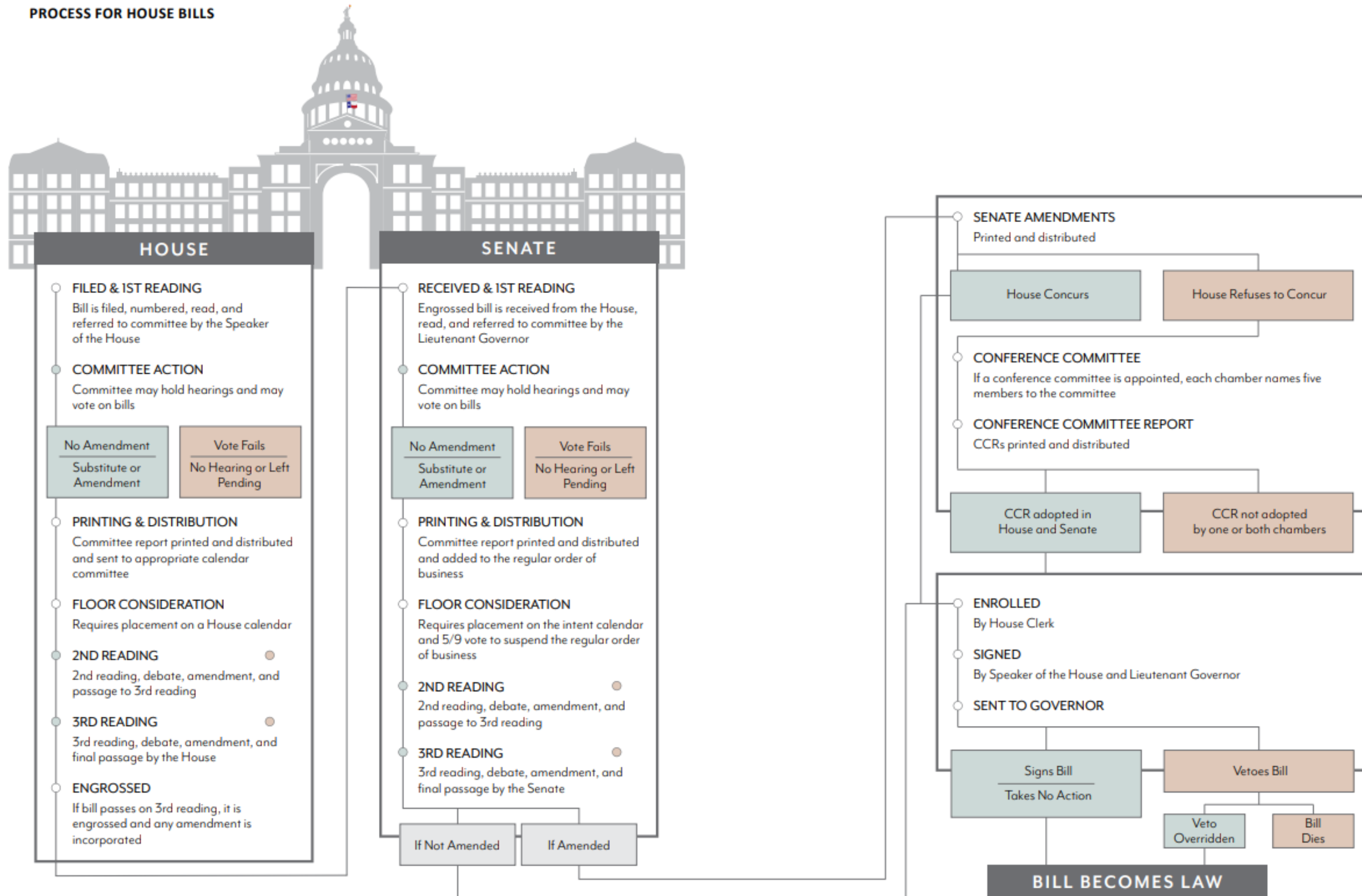
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HB1 Signed by the Governor

Referred to House Appropriations Committee, chaired by a Republican

Referred to Senate Finance Committee, chaired by a Republican

Republican Bill, authored by Bonnen

Caption: General Appropriations Bill.

HJR1 Died in House Calendars Committee

Referred to House Ways & Means Committee, chaired by a Republican

Referred to Senate Local Government Committee, chaired by a Republican

Bipartisan Bill, authored by Meyer; Bonnen; Burrows; Thierry; Raymond

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Texas Government

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[Phelan, Dade](#) HD 21 / Speaker

Texas House

D [Rep. Allen, Alma](#) HD 131

R [Rep. Allison, Steve](#) HD 121

D [Rep. Anchía, Rafael](#) HD 103

R [Rep. Anderson, Charles](#)
"Doc" HD 56

R [Rep. Ashby, Trent](#) HD 9

R [Rep. Bailes, Ernest](#) HD 18

LEGISLATOR INFORMATION

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Committees and Groups

[House Committee on Human Services](#)
[House Committee on Public Health](#) (Chair)
[House Select Committee on Health Care Reform](#)

Impeachment Vote: Y

Top 5 Contributors

\$419,826.10
Dade Phelan

\$352,720.16
Texans for Lawsuit Reform PAC

\$50,000.00
Republican State Leadership Committee Federal

\$48,789.58
Protect and Serve Texas PAC

\$42,492.86
Texas REALTORS Political Action Committee

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HJR12 Died in Committee with No Public Hearing

Referred to House State Affairs Committee, chaired by a Republican

Republican Bill, authored by Klick

Caption: Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing legislative action at any time during a regular session of the legislature on a bill of an agency, commission, or advisory committee following legislative review.

HR37 Passed by the House and Senate

Republican Bill, authored by Klick

Caption: Recognizing January 22-28, 2023, as National Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists Week.

HB49 Signed by the Governor

Referred to House Public Health Committee, chaired by a Republican

Referred to Senate Health & Human Services Committee, chaired by a Republican

Bipartisan Bill, authored by Klick; Lalani

Caption: Relating to public access to certain hospital investigation information and materials.

HJR103 Died in Committee with No Public Hearing

Referred to House House Administration Committee, chaired by a Republican

Republican Bill, authored by Klick

Caption: Proposing a constitutional amendment providing procedure for

HB104 Died in Committee with No Public Hearing

Referred to House Higher Education Committee, chaired by a Republican

Bipartisan Bill, authored by Klick; Lalani

Caption: Relating to student loan repayment assistance for certain

HR108 Passed by the House and Senate

Referred to House Resolutions Calendars Committee, chaired by a Republican

Republican Bill, authored by Klick

Caption: Congratulating IDEA Achieve Academy and College Pre

HB49 Signed by the Governor

Referred to House Public Health Committee, chaired by a Republican

Referred to Senate Health & Human Services Committee, chaired by a Republican

Caption: Relating to public access to certain hospital investigation information and materials.

Bipartisan Bill, authored by Klick; Lalani

Co-authors: Bryant

Sponsors: Kolkhorst

Co-sponsors:

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Mon 11/14/2022

(H) Filed

Thu 2/23/2023

(H) Referred to the House Public Health Committee, chaired by a Republican

Mon 3/6/2023

(H) Considered in public hearing

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FOLLOW-UP ACTIONS

- **Find a bill authored by your House Representative**
 - **Protect Elections**
 - **Secure Border**
 - **Ban Democrat Chairs**
 - **Gun Rights**
 - **Protect our Children**
- **Write and or call your representative and request a meeting to discuss your priorities**
- **If you are against the Paxton Impeachment Process, contact your Senator and voice your opinion.**

IMPORTANT LINKS

Find who represents you at the State, County, and City levels

<https://www.commoncause.org/find-your-representative/addr/>

Find Donors, Bills and Voting Information of your Representative

<https://www.grassrootspriorities.com>

The Legislative Process in Texas

<https://tlc.texas.gov/docs/legref/legislativeprocess.pdf>

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