

# How An Idea Becomes A Law



**CONCERNED CITIZEN**  
Legislator or group suggests legislation

**REPRESENTATIVE**  
decides to introduce bill

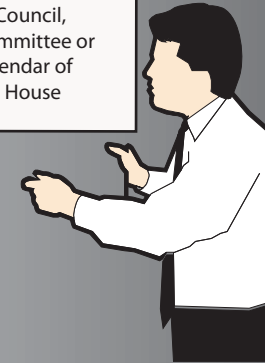
**BILL DRAFTING SERVICE**  
writes bill or reviews for style

**BILL NUMBERED AND FILED**

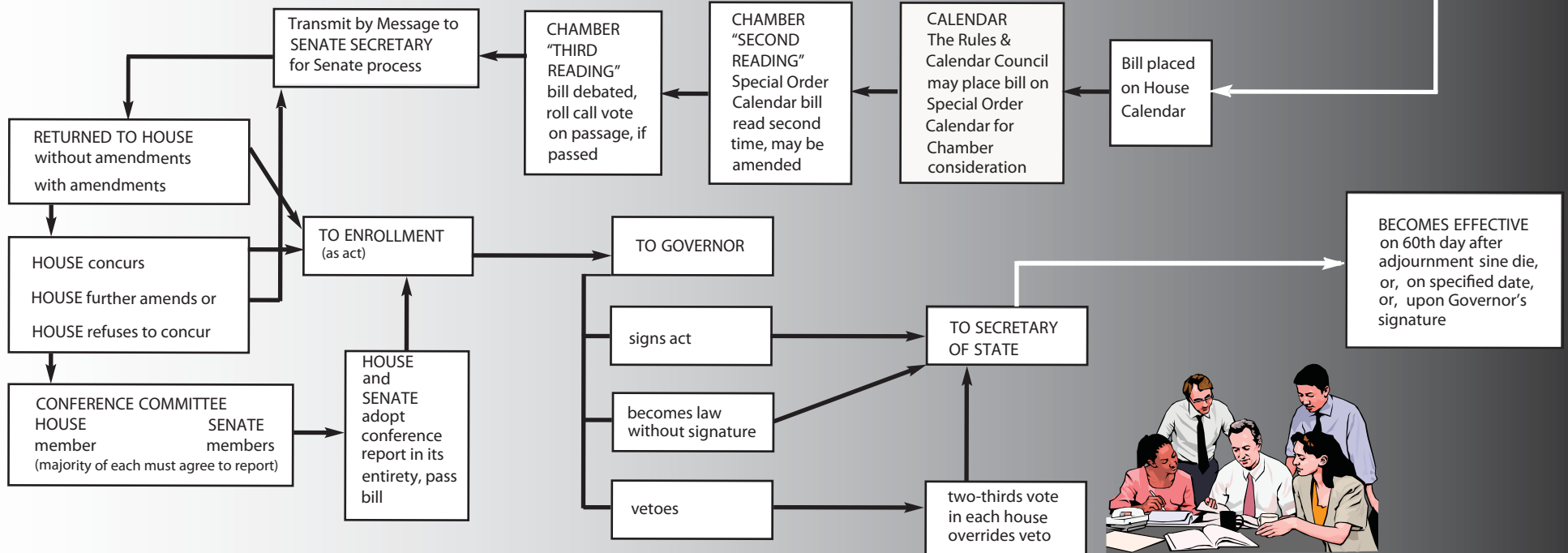
**"FIRST READING"**  
by publication in Journal

**BILL REFERRED BY SPEAKER**  
to Council, Committee or Calendar of the House

**BILL IS AGENDAED AND NOTICED BY COUNCIL OR COMMITTEE**  
for hearings  
Council or Committee reports action to Clerk:  
House Bill:  
1. favorably  
2. favorably with recommended council or committee substitute  
3. unfavorably  
Senate Bill:  
1. favorably  
2. favorably with amendment(s)  
3. unfavorably



## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



This simplified chart shows the route a bill takes through the Florida Legislature. Bills may originate in either House. This bill originated in the House of Representatives.