



# CONGRESS AT WORK

# LEGISLATIVE PROCESS



**1. Desire for Legislation is voiced**

**2. Bill is introduced and referred to committee**

**3. Committee Action**

**3. Committee Action**

**3. Committee Action**

**4. Committee reports to full chamber**

**5. Floor action—DEBATE**

**5. Floor action—AMENDMENTS**

6. End of floor debate—HOUSE

6. End of floor debate—SENATE

7. Vote on bill

8. Process is repeated in other chamber

9. House and Senate bill versions are reconciled by conference committee

9. House and Senate bill versions are reconciled by substitute bill

10. Act sent to Executive

11. Executive signs act

11. Executive vetoes act

12. Congress votes to override veto