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How Laws are Made in Maryland

The Maryland Legislative Session

January 9, 2019 – April 8, 2019 (90 Days)

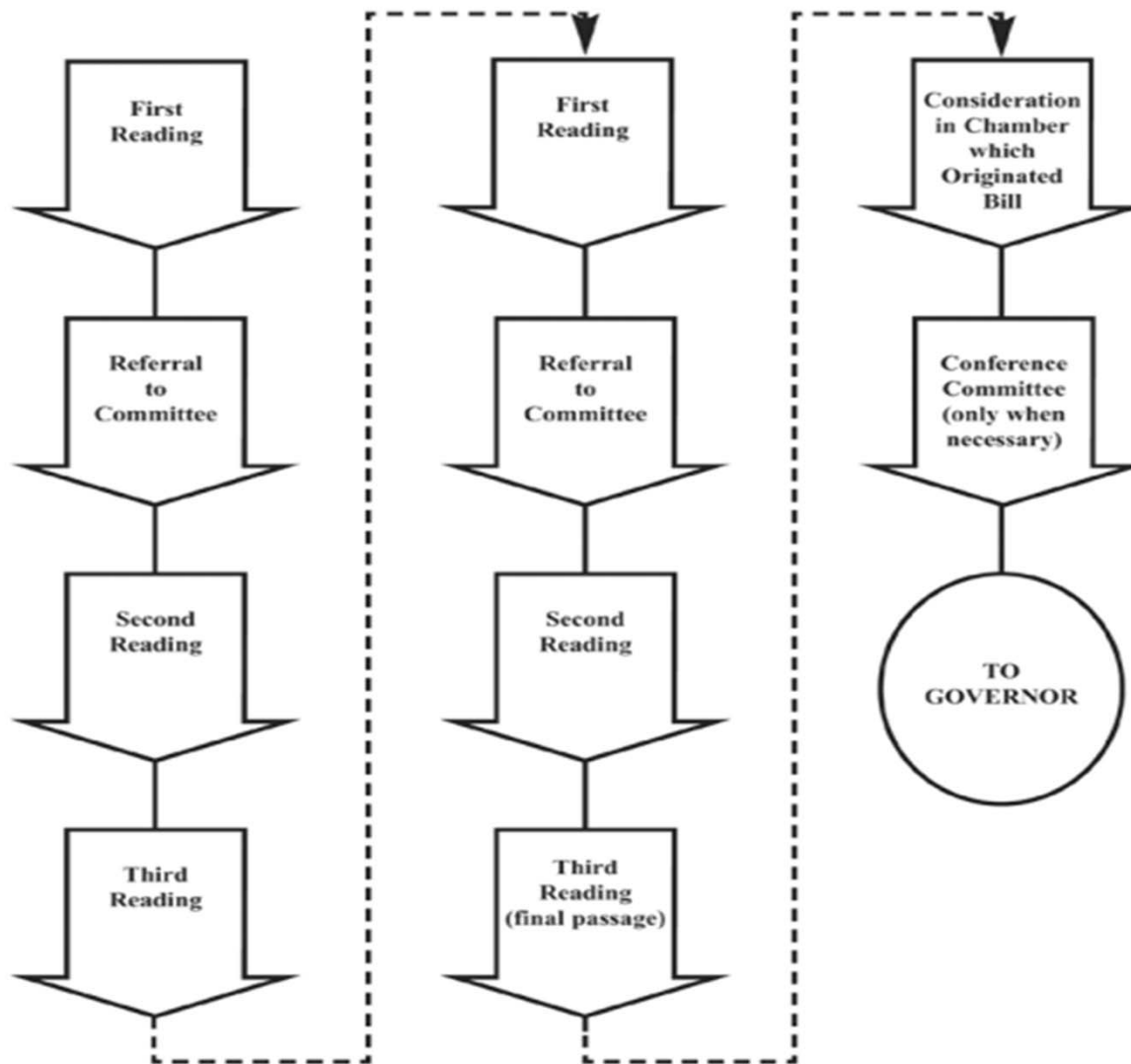
1st – There is an Idea, a Problem, an
Opportunity for Improvement

2nd – A Bill is Created

3rd – The Bill Must Move Through the
Legislative Process

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SECOND CHAMBER



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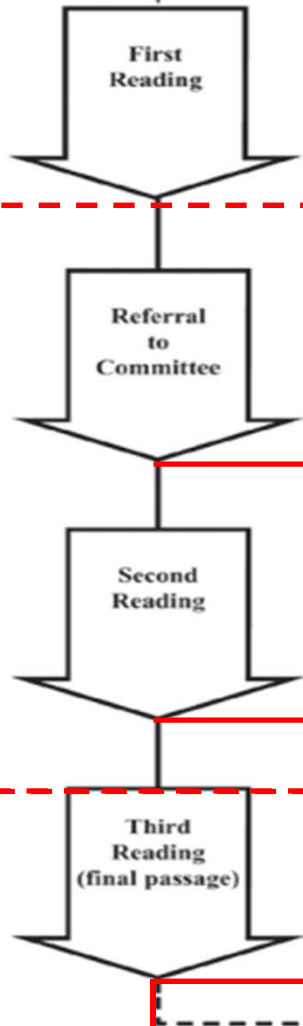
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Must receive majority support to move

Amendments Possible

Can be assigned to a sub-committee

Amendments Possible



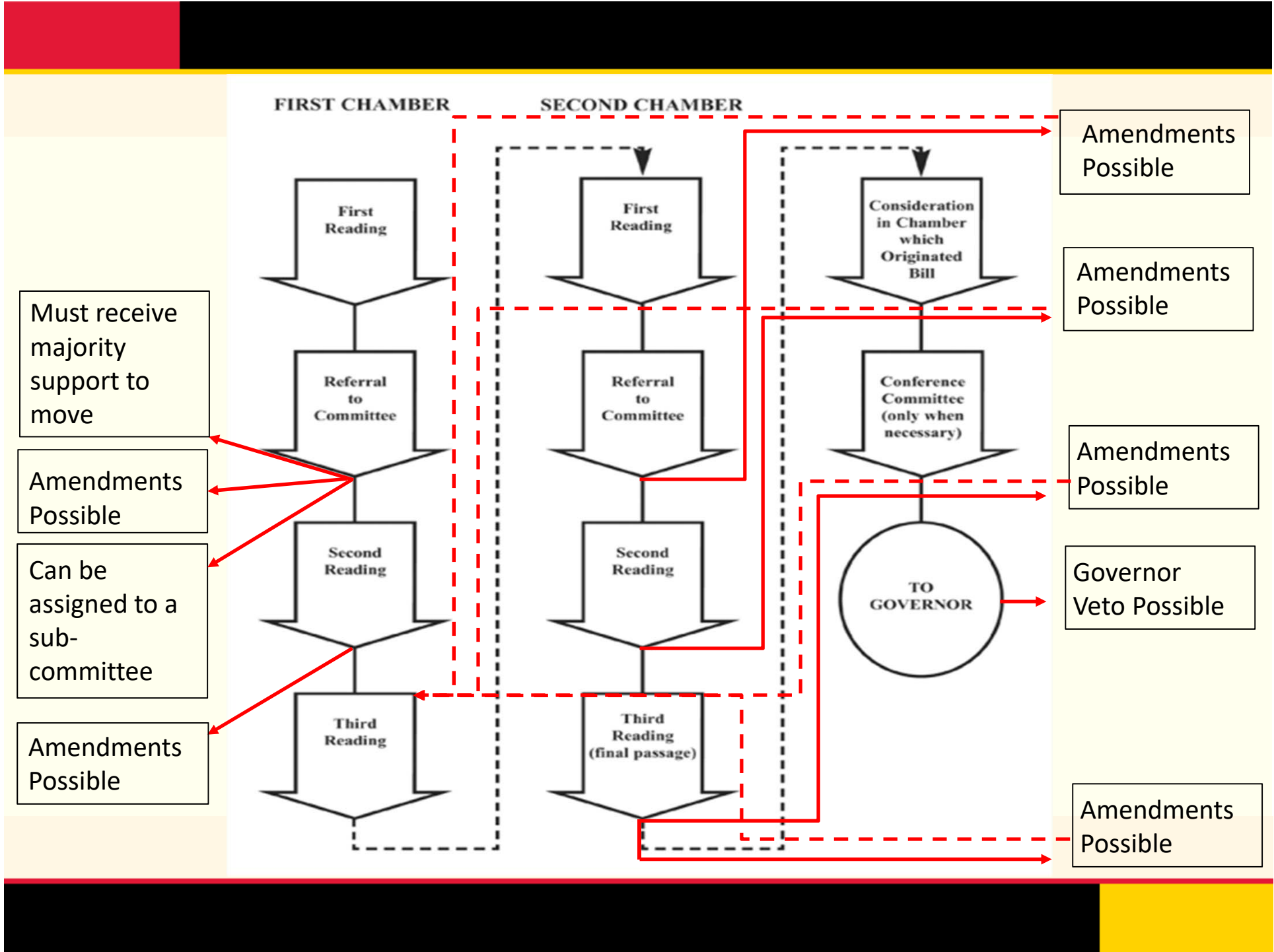
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Governor Veto Possible

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The Role You Can Play

- Monitor What's Happening
- Talk to Members
 - In person visits; provide one-pager; provide your contact information
 - Bring constituents
- Educate the Public
- Hearings
 - Little notice
 - Testify

But how are these roles limited?

Advocacy vs. Lobbying

Lobbying

“To conduct activities aimed at influencing public officials and especially members of a legislative body *on legislation.*”

Advocacy

“The act or process of supporting a particular cause or proposal.”

...So what's the difference?

Potential Legislation

Tobacco:

- Tobacco 21
- Pharmacist Prescribing Tobacco Cessation Medications
- Electronic Cigarettes - Clean Indoor Air Act

School Health

- Daily Physical Fitness
- Youth Sports Concussion Training
- Summer Meals

Other

- Advanced Practice Dental Hygiene
- Sports Gambling
- Moped/Motorcycle Helmets
- Hospital Child Safety Seat Education

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Legislative Tracking:

- Injury Prevention
- Tobacco
- Environmental Health
- Marijuana
- Food
- School Health
- Opioids
- Other



General Assembly of Maryland 2018 Session - Public Health Tracker ☆

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1	Bill #	Cross File	Prior Session History	Topic	Title	Description	Hearing & Voting	Lead Sponsor(s)	Cross Bill Status	Notes
2	HB23	N/A	Introduced as HB193 in 2017 Regular Session	Education-Local Bills	Baltimore County-Public Schools-Active Assailant Event Training and Drills	To require the Baltimore County Superintendent of Schools to conduct active assailant event training	2/1/18 Hearing-Ways and Means	Delegate Long	N/A	
3	HB30	N/A	Introduced as HB803 in 2017 Regular Session	Family Law	Domestic Violence-Education and Definition of Abuse	Requires the State Board of Education to encourage county boards of education to incorporate age-appropriate lessons on domestic violence into certain curriculum; adds definitions to abuse	3/13/18 Third Reading Passed; Crossed 3/28/18 Hearing Judicial Proceedings	Delegate Angel	N/A	The education component may be taken out
4	HB74	N/A	Introduced as HB183 in 2017 Regular Session	Education-Local Bills	Education-Career Exploration and Development Activities-Coffee (Java Act)	Repealing a termination provision relating to prohibiting an Executive Branch agency from banning or regulating the sale of coffee in conjunction with a career exploration and development activity in public high schools in Baltimore County.	3/29/18 Returned Passed	Delegate Grammer	N/A	
5	HB216	N/A	N/A	Education-Local Bills	Price George's County Board of Education-Student Hearing and Vision Screenings-Reporting Requirements PG 504-18	Requiring the Prince George's County Board to report to the Maryland Department of Health the number of students who did not receive the recommended services after failing a hearing or vision screening and the reason why; to develop a written strategy to increase the number of students receiving recommended services	2/8/18 Hearing-Ways and Means	Prince George's County Delegation	N/A	
6	HB285	N/A	N/A	Environment and Transportation	Department of Transportation-Pedestrian and Bicycle Access to Public Schools-Study	Requiring the Department of Transportation to study pedestrian and bicycle access to public schools, safety concerns, and to make recommendations to the State	3/26/18 Returned Passed	Delegate Luedtke	N/A	
7	HB393	N/A	Introduced as HB1529 in 2017 Regular Session	Primary and Secondary Education; Public Health	Elementary School Students-Daily Physical Activity (Student Health and Fitness Act)	Requiring a public school elementary student to be provided with physical activity including physical education totaling 150 minutes per week	2/8/18 Hearing-Ways and Means	Delegate Walker	N/A	
8	HB427	SB217	N/A	Primary and Secondary Education; Public Health	Public Schools-Student Sunscreen Use-Policy	Requiring each county board to adopt a policy authorizing a student to possess and use sunscreen on school property; to allow certain school employees to apply or assist in applying sunscreen	4/10/18 Approved by the Governor	Delegate Young	2/22/18 Third Reading Passed; 2/23/18 First Reading Ways and Means	
9				Primary and	Education-Organ and Tissue	Requiring a county board of education to provide age-appropriate instruction on organ and	3/26/18 Unfavorable Report by Senate Education, Health, and			

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