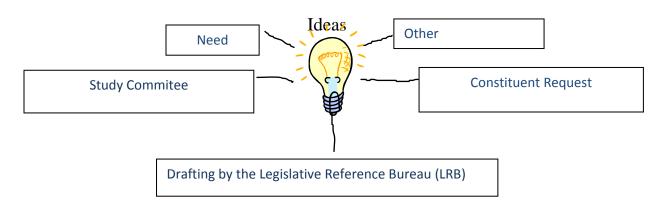
The Legislative Process in Wisconsin

How a Bill Becomes a Law



LRB Bill Draft Sent around by Author to all other legislators for co-sponsors

Introduction – Given a Bill number and first Reading

Bill Referred to Committee

Public Hearing Scheduled and Held

*Bills can be killed at this point in the process if not scheduled

Executive Session by Committee

Committee votes on the bill and may also amend the Bill; a bill can be killed at this point in the process if not voted on or if the vote to pass fails

If passed by Committee, Bill is referred to the Rules Committee to be placed on the calendar for a vote by the entire house

A bill can be killed at this point if not placed on the calendar

Second Reading

(Floor Debate and possible Amendments)

Third Reading – Debate and Passage

*Bill can fail to pass at this point and would die

Sent to the other house (if started in Assembly it is sent to the Senate and vice-versa). Other House takes same action as above from referral to committee on.

Receive from other house and concur with any amendments

Enrolled

Signature of both presiding officers and the Chief Clerk

Sent to Governor for approval or Veto