

UAPPEAL BILL STATUS LINGO

An Explanation of What the Bill Statuses Mean on Each State Legislature's Website.

2021-2022 Sessions

ALABAMA

Example: HB 10 from 2022

HB10 SAVE BILL X

BILL SUMMARY **BILL HISTORY** **BUDGET ISOLATION RESOLUTION** **FISCAL NOTES**

Status, Fiscal Note, Text Entire history of bill Resolution allowing non-budget bills to pass before budget Monetary cost of bill

HB10	01/11/2022	H		Read for the first time and referred to the House of Representative	Ways and Means General Fund
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Means: H (Bill is in House). It had a 1st reading on Jan 11 in the full House and referred to Ways and Means General Fund Committee.

HB10	02/03/2022	H	216946-3	Ways and Means General Fund Amendment Offered
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Means: The bill passed committee with an amendment that was given the number listed.

HB10	02/02/2022	H		Read for the second time and placed on the calendar 1 amendment
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Means: The bill was given a 2nd reading by title and placed on the 3rd reading calendar with an amendment.

HB10	02/03/2022	H		Motion to Adopt adopted Roll Call 33	R 33
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Means: Amendments were adopted. R 33 is the roll call vote number. Clicking it provides the votes.

HB10	02/03/2022	H	Third Reading Passed
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Means: The bill had its 3rd and final reading and passed the House.

HB10	02/03/2022	H	Motion to Read a Third Time and Pass adopted Roll Call 34	R 34
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Means: A motion was made to pass the bill and the Senators passed it. It shows those votes.

HB10	02/03/2022	H	Pringle intended to vote "Yea"
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Means: A legislator accidentally voted wrong and wants to officially declare their intention was to vote yes. A look at the voting shows they accidentally voted Pass.

HB10	02/03/2022	H	Engrossed
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Means: Any amendments, substitutes and other changes are added into the bill so the Senate is given the latest version.

HB10	02/03/2022	S	Read for the first time and referred to the Senate committee on Finance and	 Finance and Taxation General Fund
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Means: The bill is now in the Senate as shown by the S. The Senate read it once (by title only) and then sent it to their Finance and Taxation General Fund committee.

HB10	02/23/2022	S	Read for the second time and placed on the calendar
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Means: Implies that the committee passed the bill. Then the Senate had a 2nd reading on the bill. It was then placed on the calendar for a 3rd reading.

HB10	03/17/2022	S	Motion to Read a Third Time and Pass adopted Roll Call 688	R 688
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Means: A senator made a motion to pass the bill and the Senate passed it. Shows the roll call number with votes.

HB10	03/17/2022	S	Third Reading Passed	
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Means: The bill had a 3rd reading and passed the Senate.

HB10	03/17/2022	H	Passed Second House	
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Means: Second House means that it passed the 2nd chamber it was in. The H is showing that it was sent back to the House for enrollment.

HB10	03/17/2022	H	Enrolled	
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Means: All amendments and substitutes have been added in to the bill to make a final version for presenting to the governor.

HB10	03/29/2022	H	Clerk of the House Certification	
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Means: The leader of the original chamber (House) signed the bill to show that the version passed by the Senate was approved by the House. It then requests the other chamber's signature.

HB10	03/29/2022	S	Signature Requested	
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Means: The House then requested the other chamber's signature.

HB10	H	Delivered to Governor at 3:34 p.m. on March 29, 2022.
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Means: Gives the date and time the bill was given to the Governor for signature.

HB10	H	Assigned Act No. 2022-199.
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Means: The bill became law and was given the number listed. For many states, a bill is given an act or chapter number that is assigned chronologically as each bill is passed. In this case, the 2022 tells you the year and the 199 is the act number.

ALASKA

Example: SB 125 from 2021

Where to Find Abbreviations: <http://akleg.gov/docs/pdf/abbracro.pdf>

Jrn Date	Jrn Page	Text
4/16/2021	729	(S) READ THE FIRST TIME - REFERRALS

Means: (S) means the bill was in the Senate and had a reading for the 1st time (likely title only). Then it was referred to committee.

4/16/2021	729	(S) RES
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Means: Res stands for Resource committee. The bill was referred to Resource committee on April 16.

4/28/2021	844	(S) RES RPT CS 5DP SAME TITLE
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Means: Resources committee (Res) reported (rpt) committee substitute (CS) with 5 votes of do pass (DP) with the same title = The committee passed the bill with a substitute and made no changes to the title.

4/28/2021	844	(S) DP: REVAK, KIEHL, VON IMHOF, BISHOP, KAWASAKI
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Means: These are the 5 committee members that voted do pass (DP).

4/28/2021	844	(S) FN1: ZERO(DFG)
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Means: FN is fiscal note or a note about the financial impact of the bill on an agency. The zero means it will have no impact on the Department of Fish and Game (DFG).

4/30/2021	915	(S) RULES TO CALENDAR 4/30/2021
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Means: The Rules committee (schedules bill to be heard by entire chamber) approved the bill to be placed on the calendar to be heard by the entire Senate.

4/30/2021 [915](#) (S) READ THE SECOND TIME

Means: Bill had a 2nd reading in the entire Senate.

4/30/2021 [915](#) (S) RES CS ADOPTED UC

Means: The committee substitute (CS) itself passed by Resources committee (RES) was adopted by the Senate.

4/30/2021 [915](#) (S) ADVANCED TO THIRD READING UC

Means: The bill was placed on the 3rd reading calendar to be passed by the Senate.

4/30/2021 [915](#) (S) READ THE THIRD TIME CSSB 125(RES)

Means: It was read a 3rd time in the Senate and was a committee substitute Senate bill (CSSB) that was passed by Resources.

4/30/2021 [915](#) (S) COSPONSOR(S): KIEHL, REVAK, GRAY-JACKSON, HUGHES, KAWASAKI, BISHOP, REINBOLD,

4/30/2021 [915](#) (S) STEVENS, BEGICH, SHOWER, COSTELLO, HOLLAND, WILSON, MICCICHE

Means: These are the Senators co-sponsoring the bill.

4/30/2021 [915](#) (S) PASSED Y16 N- E4

Means: The bill passed the Senate with 16 Yes votes (Y16), 0 No votes (N-) and 4 excused (E4).

4/30/2021 [915](#) (S) EFFECTIVE DATE(S) SAME AS PASSAGE

Means: The bill will take effect immediately after it becomes law.

4/30/2021 [921](#) (S) TRANSMITTED TO (H)

Means: Bill was sent to House.

4/30/2021 [921](#) (S) VERSION: CSSB 125(RES)

Means: This is the version of the bill that was sent to the House (Senate committee substitute).

4/30/2021 [772](#) (H) READ THE FIRST TIME - REFERRALS

Means: Bill was read the first time in the House and had a referral to a committee.

4/30/2021 [772](#) (H) RES

Means: Bill was sent to House Resources committee.

5/13/2021 [1047](#) (H) RES RPT 6DP 1NR

5/13/2021 [1047](#) (H) DP: GILLHAM, HANNAN, HOPKINS, FIELDS, MCKAY, PATKOTAK

5/13/2021 [1047](#) (H) NR: SCHRAGE

Means: The Resources committee (RES) reported the bill with 6 votes of do pass (6DP) and 1 No Recommendation (1NR). It then lists who voted each way.

5/13/2021 [1047](#) (H) FN1: ZERO(DFG)

Means: No fiscal impact on Fish and Game.

5/13/2021 [1059](#) (H) CROSS SPONSOR(S): HANNAN

5/17/2021 [1135](#) (H) CROSS SPONSOR(S): MCKAY

Means: These are the Senate sponsors of the bill.

5/19/2021 [1189](#) (H) LIMIT ALL DEBATE TO 2 MIN EACH Y23 N16 E1

Means: Each member of the House can only debate the bill for 2 minutes as approved with the votes listed (Yes – 23, No – 16, Excused – 1).

5/19/2021 [1207](#) (H) RULES TO CALENDAR 5/19/2021

Means: The rules committee placed the bill on the House calendar to have a 2nd reading.

5/19/2021 [1207](#) (H) READ THE SECOND TIME

Means: Bill had a 2nd reading in the House.

5/19/2021 [1207](#) (H) ADVANCED TO THIRD READING UC

Means: Bill was placed on 3rd reading calendar. UC is Union Calendar.

5/19/2021 [1207](#) (H) READ THE THIRD TIME CSSB 125(RES)

Means: Bill was read for a 3rd time in the House with the version listed (committee substitute).

5/19/2021 [1207](#) (H) PASSED Y40

Means: The bill passed the House with 40 Yes votes.

5/19/2021 [1208](#) (H) EFFECTIVE DATE(S) SAME AS PASSAGE

Means: The bill takes effect when it becomes law.

5/19/2021 [1208](#) (H) RETURN TO (S), TRANSMIT TO GOV NEXT

5/19/2021 [1208](#) (H) VERSION: CSSB 125(RES)

5/19/2021 [1234](#) (H) CROSS SPONSOR(S): JOHNSON, SCHRAGE, TILTON

Means: The bill was sent back to the Senate and tells what version was sent (Senate committee substitute) and the Senate sponsors.

8/16/2021 [1337](#) (S) 12:25 PM 7/9/21 TRANSMITTED TO GOVERNOR

Means: Bill was sent to the governor for signature.

8/16/2021 [1328](#) (S) SIGNED INTO LAW 7/13 CHAPTER 18 SLA 21

8/16/2021 [1328](#) (S) EFFECTIVE DATE(S) OF LAW 7/14/21

Means: Bill was signed by the Governor on July 13 and was given the chapter number listed. The bill takes effect on Jul 14.

ARIZONA

Example: HB 2677 from 2021

Where to Find Abbreviations: <https://www.azleg.gov/faq/abbreviations/>

Bill History for HB2677

Sponsors: Griffin (Prime)

1) 1st reading

Short Title: agricultural management practices: general permit
 House First Read: 02/01/2021

[House Standing Details](#)

2) Committees

Assigned Date	Committee	Report Date	Action	Vote
02/01/2021	NRFW	02/09/2021	DP	10-0-0-0-0
02/01/2021	RULES	02/15/2021	C&P	8-0-0-0-0

2nd reading

House Second Read: 02/02/2021

Consent Calendar: 02/15/2021, 1:55 pm Object: No

House Majority Caucus: 02/16/2021 Yes

House Minority Caucus: 02/16/2021 Yes

3rd reading & vote

Date	Ayes	Nays	NV	Exc	Vac	Emer	Amend	RFE	RFEIR	2/3 Vote	Action
02/23/2021	58	0	2	0	0						PASSED

Transmit to Senate: 02/23/2021

1st reading

Senate First Read: 02/24/2021

[Senate Standing Details](#)

Committees

Assigned Date	Committee	Report Date	Action	Vote
02/24/2021	NREW	03/10/2021	DP	9-0-0-0
02/24/2021	RULES	03/15/2021	PFC	0-0-0-0

2nd reading

Senate Second Read: 02/25/2021

Consent Calendar: 03/15/2021, 1:15 pm Object: No

Senate Democrat Caucus: 03/16/2021 Yes

Senate Republican Caucus: 03/16/2021 Yes

3rd reading & vote

Date	Ayes	Nays	NV	Exc	Vac	Emer	Amend	RFE	RFEIR	2/3 Vote	Action
03/22/2021	29	0	1	0	0						PASSED

Transmit to House: 03/22/2021

Governor Action

Transmit to Governor: 03/22/2021

Governor Action: 03/26/2021 **Signed**

Chapter: 1'14

Chapter Version: House Engrossed

Date Sent to Committee	Committee Name	Date Reported Out of Committee	Action Taken by Committee	Votes by Committee
Assigned Date 02/01/2021	Committee NREW	Report Date 02/09/2021	Action DP	Vote 10-0-0-0-0-0
02/01/2021	RULES	02/15/2021	C&P	8-0-0-0-0-0

House First Read: 02/01/2021

Means: Bill had a first reading where it was read by title.

Assigned Date	Committee	Report Date	Action	Vote
02/01/2021	NREW	02/09/2021	DP	10-0-0-0-0-0
02/01/2021	RULES	02/15/2021	C&P	8-0-0-0-0-0

Means: Bill was referred to Natural Resources, Energy & Water committee (NREW) first. For bills originating in the Senate, there is a 2nd reading first. It was voted do pass with a vote of 10 yes votes. Then, it went to rules to make sure the legislature has legal authority to pass it. Rules decided it was constitutional and in proper form (C&P) with a vote of 8 yes votes. Vote numbers are ayes-nays-not voting-excused-vacated.

House Second Read: 02/02/2021

Means: Bill had a 2nd reading.

Consent Calendar: 02/15/2021, 1:55 pm **Object:** No

Means: Bill is skipping debate in the full House (Bills going to consent calendar skip debate). They had no objections to that.

House Majority Caucus:

02/16/2021 Yes

House Minority Caucus:

02/16/2021 Yes

Means: Bill is sent to a caucus where each party debates the bill and decides their position (not binding). This also informs them of the bill. Majority and Minority mean whether the Republicans or Democrats have control over the House, and one with control is majority.

Date	Ayes	Nays	Not Voting			Excused		Vacated		Emergency Bill		Amended		Requirements for Enactment		Requirements for Initiatives and Referendums		2/3 vote required		Action
			NV	Exc	Vac	Emer	Amend	RFE	RFEIR	2/3 Vote										
02/23/2021	58	0	2	0	0															PASSED

Means: The bill had a 3rd reading and vote in the House with 58 ayes and 2 not voting and it passed. This bill is NOT an emergency bill, was not amended, there are NO special requirements before the bill can be enacted (i.e., another bill must pass first) (RFE), is not a citizen ballot initiative or referendum (RFEIR), and does not require a 2/3 supermajority vote.

Transmit to Senate:

02/23/2021

Means: Bill was then sent to the Senate.

Senate First Read:

02/24/2021

Means: Bill had a first reading by title only in the Senate.

Senate Second Read:

02/25/2021

Means: Senate had a second reading on the bill.

Assigned Date	Committee	Report Date	Action	Vote
02/24/2021	NREW	03/10/2021	DP	9-0-0-0
02/24/2021	RULES	03/15/2021	PFC	0-0-0-0

Means: Bill was referred to Natural Resources, Energy & Water committee (NREW) first. It was voted do pass with a vote of 9 yes votes. Then, it went to rules to make sure the legislature has legal authority to pass it. Rules decided it was constitutional and in proper form (C&P).

Consent Calendar: 03/15/2021, 1:15 pm **Object:** No

Means: Bill is skipping debate in the full Senate by being put on the Consent Calendar (would be blank if not). They had no objections.

Senate Democrat Caucus: 03/16/2021 Yes

Senate Republican Caucus: 03/16/2021 Yes

Means: Bill is sent to a caucus where each party debates the bill and decides their position (not binding). This also informs them of the bill. They both took the position of accepting the bill.

Date	Ayes	Nays	NV	Exc	Vac	Emer	Amend	RFE	RFEIR	2/3 Vote	Action
03/22/2021	29	0	1	0	0						PASSED

Means: The Senate passed the bill with 29 ayes and 1 not voting. No special conditions exist.

Transmit to House: 03/22/2021

Means: Bill was sent back to House.

Transmit to Governor: 03/22/2021

Governor Action: 03/26/2021 **Signed**

Chapter: 134

Chapter Version: House Engrossed

Means: Bill was sent to the Governor, who signed it Mar 26 and it was assigned Chapter 134. 134 means it was the 134th bill to become law that year.

ARKANSAS

Example: HB 1099 from 2021

NOTE: Arkansas bill information is pretty easy to understand for the most part.

House	1/8/2021 12:39:27 PM	Filed
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Means: Bill was filed in the House on Jan 8.

House	1/11/2021 2:39:41 PM	Read the first time, rules suspended, read the second time and referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT- HOUSE
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Means: The bill had a first reading in the House by title only. Then the House voted to suspend the rules on waiting another day and go ahead and do a 2nd reading. The bill was then referred to the committee listed.

House	1/21/2021 2:24:32 PM	Returned by the Committee Do Pass
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Means: Bill passed Agriculture, Forestry & Economic Development with Do Pass vote.

House	1/25/2021 1:26:44 PM	Read the third time and passed and ordered transmitted to the Senate.	House Votes
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Means: The bill passed the House and was sent to the Senate. The votes are listed in the link (96 yeas and 4 non voting).

Senate	1/25/2021 3:44:29 PM	Received from the House.
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Means: Senate got the bill from the House. In other words, they are acknowledging receipt of the bill.

Senate	1/25/2021 3:46:38 PM	Read first time, rules suspended, read second time, referred to AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - SENATE	
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Means: Senate also had a first reading, suspended the rules and went ahead and had a 2nd reading and referred the bill to committee.

Senate	2/9/2021 1:33:35 PM	Returned by the Committee, with the recommendation that it Do Pass	
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Means: The committee reported the bill with a vote of Do Pass.

Senate	2/10/2021 2:54:29 PM	Read the third time and passed.	Senate Votes
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Means: The bill passed the Senate. Votes were 30 Yeas, 0 Nays, 0 Non Voting, 4 Present, and 1 Excused.

Senate	2/10/2021 2:54:51 PM	Returned to the House as passed.	
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Means: The bill was sent back to the House.

House	2/10/2021 4:16:55 PM	Returned From the Senate as passed.	
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Means: House is acknowledging receipt of the bill.

House	2/10/2021 4:16:59 PM	TO BE ENROLLED	
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Means: The bill text is being updated to its final form. During this time, all amendments and substitutes are added in and the bill is printed.

House	2/22/2021 8:58:35 AM	Correctly enrolled and ordered transmitted to the Governor's Office.	
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Means: The bill amendments were correctly added and it was sent to the Governor for signing.

House	2/23/2021 4:24:42 PM	Notification that HB1099 is now Act 130	
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Means: Bill was either signed into law or became law without the governor's signature. Includes the act number. This is the 130th bill to pass that year.

CALIFORNIA

Example: AB 468 from 2021

Where to Find Abbreviations:

02/08/21	Read first time. To print.
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Means: The bill had a 1st reading. It doesn't say House or Senate but we know it is House from the bill number (AB = Assembly/House bill). All new bills must be sent to the printer to be printed out.

02/09/21	From printer. May be heard in committee March 11.
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Means: Bill was printed. The committee hearing date listed is the earliest expected date the bill could have a hearing based on timing at each stage of the process and when the committee meets.

02/18/21	Referred to Coms. on PUB. S. and B. & P.
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Means: The bill will be referred to two committees. The first is Public Safety (PUB. S.). The 2nd is Business & Professions (B. & P.).

03/23/21	Re-referred to Com. on PUB. S.
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03/22/21	From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to Com. on PUB. S. Read second time and amended.
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Means: The author submitted an amendment to the committee chair. The bill was pulled from committee, had the amendments added, was read a 2nd time to approve them in the House and was sent back to committee in its updated form.

03/23/21	In committee: Hearing postponed by committee.
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Means: Bill had a hearing listed but it was postponed. In this case, the committee postponed it. The author can also request a hearing be cancelled or postponed.

03/25/21	Re-referred to Com. on B. & P. pursuant to Assembly Rule 96.
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Means: There was no action in the Public Safety committee, so a vote was made to withdraw it and refer it to the 2nd committee (Business & Professions) instead.

04/07/21	Re-referred to Com. on B. & P.
04/06/21	From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to Com. on B. & P. Read second time and amended.

Means: The author again amended the bill, so it was pulled, amended, had a 2nd reading and was referred back.

04/14/21	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 18. Noes 0.) (April 13). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.
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Means: Business & Professions voted Do Pass and voted to send the bill to Appropriations with 18 Ayes and 0 Noes. April 13 (date in parenthesis) is the date it actually passed. Apr 14 is when it was posted.

05/05/21	From committee: Do pass. To Consent Calendar. (Ayes 16. Noes 0.) (May 5).
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Means: Appropriations passed the bill with a Do Pass vote of 16 Ayes and 0 Noes on May 5.

05/06/21	Read second time. Ordered to Consent Calendar.
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Means: The full House read the bill a 2nd time. It was sent to 3rd reading.

05/13/21	Read third time. Passed. Ordered to the Senate. (Ayes 75. Noes 0. Page 1408.)
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Means: The bill passed the House with a vote of 75 ayes and 0 noes. The page number is the journal page.

05/13/21	In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.
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Means: The bill had a first reading in the Senate where it was read by title, and then sent to Rules committee. Rules determines which committee a bill will go to.

05/27/21	Referred to Coms. on B., P. & E.D. and JUD.
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Means: The Rules committee referred the bill to 2 committees. The first is Business, Professions and Economic Development.

06/08/21	From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to committee. Read second time, amended, and re-referred to Com. on B., P. & E.D.
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Means: The author added additional amendments, which had a 2nd reading in Senate to approve and were added to the bill and sent back to committee.

06/14/21	In committee: Hearing postponed by committee.
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Means: Hearing was postponed for now, this time by committee.

06/30/21	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on JUD. (Ayes 13. Noes 0.) (June 30). Re-referred to Com. on JUD.
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Means: Business, Professions and Economic Development passed the bill with 13 ayes and 0 noes on Jun 30 and then referred it to Judiciary.

07/01/21	From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to committee. Read second time, amended, and re-referred to Com. on JUD.
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Means: Author again amended the bill in committee.

07/14/21	From committee: Amend, and do pass as amended and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 11. Noes 0.) (July 13).
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Means: Judiciary passed the bill with an amendment. Then they voted to send it Appropriations (wasn't on original committee list so last committee had to approve).

07/15/21	Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.
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Means: Bill was read a 2nd time by the Senate where the committee amendments were approved, and it was sent to Appropriations.

08/16/21	From committee: Be ordered to second reading pursuant to Senate Rule 28.8.
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Means: Bill was removed from committee due to no action and sent to 2nd reading.

08/17/21	Read second time. Ordered to third reading.
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Means: Bill had 2nd reading by Senate.

08/30/21	Read third time. Passed. Ordered to the Assembly. (Ayes 39. Noes 0.).
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Means: Bill passed the Senate.

08/31/21	In Assembly. Concurrence in Senate amendments pending. May be considered on or after September 2 pursuant to Assembly Rule 77.
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Means: House received the bill. They still need to approve the Senate amendments, which may take place starting Sep 2.

09/01/21	Senate amendments concurred in. To Engrossing and Enrolling. (Ayes 78. Noes 0.).
09/01/21	Assembly Rule 77 suspended. (Ayes 54. Noes 16.)

Means: House decided to suspend its rule to wait until after Sep 2 and go ahead and concur with the amendments. The amendments were enrolled or added to the bill and printed.

09/08/21	Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 4:30 p.m.
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Means: Amendments were added into the bill, and the new bill was sent to the Governor.

09/16/21	Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 168, Statutes of 2021.
09/16/21	Approved by the Governor.

Means: The bill was signed into law and given a chapter number.

COLORADO

Example: HB 1160 from 2021

03/03/2021 House Introduced In House - Assigned to Agriculture, Livestock, & Water

Means: Bill was filed in the House and sent to committee.

03/22/2021 House House Committee on Agriculture, Livestock, & Water Refer Amended to House Committee of the Whole

Means: The bill passed committee with an amendment. It was then sent to the Committee of the Whole, which is a committee of the entire House where debate on the bill takes place.

03/25/2021 House House Second Reading Passed with Amendments - Committee, Floor

Means: The bill had a 2nd reading where the committee amendment was approved along with a new amendment introduced in the entire House.

03/26/2021 House House Third Reading Passed - No Amendments

Means: House passed the bill. No new amendments were introduced.

03/29/2021 Senate Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Agriculture & Natural Resources

Means: Senate received the bill and referred it to committee.

04/22/2021 Senate Senate Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources Refer Amended to Senate Committee of the Whole

Means: Committee passed the bill with amendments and sent it to the Committee of the Whole where full Senate will debate it.

04/27/2021 Senate Senate Second Reading Passed with Amendments - Committee, Floor

Means: Senate had a 2nd reading and approved both the committee amendment and a new amendment introduced in the full Senate.

04/28/2021 Senate Senate Third Reading Passed - No Amendments

Means: Senate passed the bill with no additional amendments.

04/29/2021 Senate House Considered Senate Amendments - Result was to Concur - Repass

Means: House approved of the Senate's amendments and repassed the bill.

05/11/2021 House Signed by the Speaker of the House

05/11/2021 Senate Signed by the President of the Senate

Means: Bill must be signed by the leaders of both the House and Senate to verify that both passed the bill.

05/21/2021 Governor Governor Signed

05/11/2021 Governor Sent to the Governor

Means: Bill was sent to Governor, who then signed it into law.

CONNECTICUT

Example: HB 5011 from 2021

NOTE: Colors represent how old an action is.

1/8/2021 Referred to Joint Committee on Government Administration and Elections

Means: Bill was sent to committee.

2/10/2021 (GAE) Vote to Draft

Means: The Government Administration and Elections (GAE) committee voted to get the draft of the bill. CT bills are introduced with just a summary, not actual texts. The committee must vote to approve drafting the bill before proceeding with action on it.

3/3/2021 Drafted by Committee

Means: The bill draft was created and posted.

3/4/2021 Referred to Joint Committee on Government Administration and Elections

Means: Draft was sent to the committee. In CT, bills are referred to a joint committee, meaning that both the House and Senate use the same committee.

3/5/2021 Public Hearing 03/10

Means: Public hearing was held on the bill.

3/30/2021 (GAE) Joint Favorable

Means: The committee passed the bill. Joint just refers to being from joint committee.

3/30/2021 (LCO) Filed with Legislative Commissioners' Office

Means: The bill was sent to the LCO, which reviews the bill and makes sure it is constitutional and it doesn't violate any laws.

4/9/2021 (LCO) Referred to Office of Legislative Research and Office of Fiscal Analysis 04/14/21 5:00 PM

Means: Bill was sent to Office of Fiscal Analysis to get a fiscal estimate of the bill (what it will cost to enforce) along with the Office of Legislative Research to get a general summary of the bill.

4/15/2021 (LCO) Reported Out of Legislative Commissioners' Office

Means: LCO sent the bill back to the legislature with its reports.

4/15/2021 Favorable Report, Tabled for the Calendar, House

Means: Action on the bill was temporarily tabled in the House. Favorable report refers to the Government Administration & Elections committee report.

4/15/2021 House Calendar Number 332

Means: The bill was placed on the calendar in the full House, specifically number 332.

4/15/2021 (LCO) File Number 465

Means: A substitute bill was introduced and given a new file number (465).

4/26/2021 Referred by House to Committee on Planning and Development

Means: The House referred the substitute bill to another committee.

4/30/2021	(PD)	Joint Favorable
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Means: The committee approved the bill.

5/3/2021	(LCO)	Reported Out of Legislative Commissioners' Office
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5/3/2021	(LCO)	Filed with Legislative Commissioners' Office
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Means: Since a substitute was introduced, the new bill had to be reviewed by the LCO to make sure it was constitutional.

5/3/2021		No New File by Committee on Planning and Development
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Means: No substitute or amendment was passed by committee.

5/3/2021		Tabled for the Calendar, House
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Means: The House temporarily tabled, or delayed action on, the bill.

5/18/2021		House Adopted House Amendment Schedule A 8829
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Means: An amendment (Schedule A 8829) was introduced and passed in the full House.

5/18/2021		House Passed as Amended by House Amendment Schedule A
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Means: The House passed the bill with its amendment.

5/20/2021		Favorable Report, Tabled for the Calendar, Senate
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Means: The committee report was tabled by the Senate.

5/20/2021

Senate Calendar Number 458

Means: The bill was placed on the calendar to be heard in the entire Senate.

5/20/2021

(LCO)

File Number 696

Means: The House committee substitute and floor amendment were placed into a new file.

NOTE: This bill never got any further. Here is another bill showing what would happen next.

2021-06-08 Senate Senate Passed

Means: Bill passed the Senate.

2021-06-08 Senate In Concurrence

Means: The Senate agreed with the House version and made no changes.

2021-06-24 Senate Special Act 21-19

Means: The bill is given an Act number before being sent to the Governor.

2021-07-13 Senate Signed by the Governor

2021-06-28 Senate Transmitted by Secretary of the State to Governor

2021-06-28 Senate Transmitted to the Secretary of State

Means: Bill must be sent to the SOS and then the Governor. The Governor signed this bill into law.

DELAWARE

Example: SB 179 from 2021

NOTE: Delaware bill history is for the most part easy to understand.

Date	Action
6/9/21	Introduced and Assigned to Health & Social Services Committee in Senate

Means: Bill was filed and referred to Senate committee.

6/17/21 Reported Out of Committee (Health & Social Services) in Senate with 3 Favorable, 3 On Its Merits



Committee Reports

Date	Committee	# Members	Favorable	On Its Merits	Unfavorable	
6/17/21	Health & Social Services	6	3	3	0	view

Means: Bill passed committee with a vote of 3 in favor and 3 on its merits (legislator wants action taken on the bill but has no position on it). The Committee Reports section lists the votes. View brings up a list of how each legislator voted.

6/17/21 Passed By Senate. Votes: 17 YES 4 NO

Roll Calls

Chamber	Result	Date	Vote Type	Yes	No	Not Voting	Absent	PDF	
House	Passed	6/29/21 2:50 PM	2/3	41	0	0	0	 view	
Senate	Passed	6/17/21 2:27 PM	SM	17	4	0	0	 view	

Means: Bill passed the Senate. The Roll Calls section lists the votes. The SM under vote type stands for super majority, meaning the bill needs a higher than the normal 2/3 vote to pass. View brings up a list of how each legislator voted.

6/18/21 Assigned to Health & Human Development Committee in House

Means: Bill was sent to the House and referred to committee.

6/22/21 Reported Out of Committee (Health & Human Development) in House with 2 Favorable, 6 On Its Merits

6/22/21 [Health & Human Development](#) 15 2 6 0 [view](#)


Means: The committee passed the bill with 2 in favor and 6 on its merits (wants legislature to take action but person has no specific position on it).

6/25/21 Suspension of Rules in House

Means: The House voted to bypass the requirement for hearings.

6/29/21 Passed By House. Votes: 41 YES

Roll Calls

Chamber	Result	Date	Vote Type	Yes	No	Not Voting	Absent	PDF
House	Passed	6/29/21 2:50 PM	2/3	41	0	0	0	 view

Means: Bill passed the House, which required 2/3 vote and all were Yes.

9/15/21 Signed by Governor

Means: The governor signed the bill into law.

FLORIDA

Example: SB 388 from 2021

NOTE: In Florida, bills can be acted on in certain committees after the organizational session, and can pass several committees before the session formally convenes.

S Filed

12/28/2020 - 10:37 AM

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Means: Bill was submitted for introduction.

S Referred to Health Policy; Criminal Justice; Rules -SJ 63

01/11/2021 - 5:21 PM

Health Policy

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Means: Bill will be sent to the 3 committees listed (usually in order). The Health Policy on the right tells you the bill was sent there first. SJ is the Senate journal page.

S On Committee agenda-- Health Policy, 02/04/21, 8:30 am, 412 Knott Building

01/25/2021 - 2:59 PM

Health Policy

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Means: A hearing was scheduled for the bill in Health Policy.

S Favorable by Health Policy; YEAS 9 NAYS 0 -SJ 176

02/04/2021 - 9:34 AM

Health Policy

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Means: Bill passed Health Policy committee with the votes listed.

S Now in Criminal Justice

02/04/2021 - 10:12 AM

Criminal Justice

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Means: The bill was sent to the 2nd committee listed.

S On Committee agenda-- Criminal Justice, 02/16/21, 9:00 am, 110 Senate Building

02/08/2021 - 2:39 PM

Criminal Justice

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Means: Bill was scheduled for a hearing in the 2nd committee.

S Favorable by Criminal Justice; YEAS 7 NAYS 0 -SJ 177

02/16/2021 - 11:40 AM

Criminal Justice

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Means: The bill passed the 2nd committee.

S Now in Rules

02/17/2021 - 7:41 AM

Rules

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Means: The bill was sent to the 3rd committee in the list.

S On Committee agenda-- Rules, 03/04/21, 9:00 am, 412 Knott Building

03/01/2021 - 2:17 PM

Rules

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Means: Rules scheduled a meeting.

S Introduced -SJ 63

03/02/2021 - 11:09 AM

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Means: The legislature officially convened and introduced the bill.

S Favorable by- Rules; YEAS 16 NAYS 0 -SJ 191

03/04/2021 - 11:27 AM

Rules

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Means: Bill passed the 3rd committee.

S Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

03/04/2021 - 12:52 PM

Rules

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Means: Bill was placed on the calendar in the full Senate for a 2nd reading.

S Placed on Special Order Calendar, 04/14/21 -SJ 465

04/09/2021 - 5:11 PM

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Means: The bill was placed on a calendar. The Special Order Calendar is for priority bills that are heard in the specific order listed on the calendar.

S Read 2nd time -SJ 416

04/14/2021 - 3:07 PM

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Means: Bill had a 2nd reading in the Senate.

S Amendment(s) adopted (154184) -SJ 416

04/14/2021 - 3:09 PM

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Means: An amendment was introduced and adopted by the entire Senate. 154184 is the amendment number.

S Read 3rd time -SJ 417

04/14/2021 - 3:09 PM

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Means: The bill had a 3rd reading in the Senate. This is where the bill is read only, and is not a vote.

S Passed as amended; YEAS 40 NAYS 0 -SJ 417

04/14/2021 - 3:10 PM

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Means: Bill passed the Senate with the floor amendment.

S Immediately certified -SJ 465

04/14/2021 - 7:43 PM

e1

Means: The bill was engrossed or had the amendment added to it (e1).

H In Messages

04/14/2021 - 8:13 PM

e1

Means: A message of its passage in the Senate is sent to the House clerk. It has not been introduced in the House yet.

H Bill referred to House Calendar

04/26/2021 - 4:43 PM

e1

Means: The bill is bypassing a committee in the House and is going straight to the full House.

H Bill added to Special Order Calendar (4/27/2021)

04/26/2021 - 5:08 PM

e1

Means: Tells the specific calendar the bill was placed on and the date to be heard.

H 1st Reading

04/26/2021 - 9:01 PM

e1

Means: Bill had a 1st reading in the House by title.

H Read 2nd time

04/27/2021 - 2:15 PM

e1

Means: Bill had a 2nd reading.

H Added to Third Reading Calendar

04/27/2021 - 6:20 PM

e1

H Placed on 3rd reading

04/27/2021 - 2:15 PM

e1

Means: Bill was placed on the 3rd reading calendar in the House.

H Read 3rd time

04/28/2021 - 1:39 PM

e1

Means: Bill was read for a 3rd time in the House. This is just a reading and not a vote.

H Passed; YEAS 114, NAYS 0

04/28/2021 - 1:40 PM

e1

Means: Bill passed the House.

H Message sent to senate

04/28/2021 - 2:19 PM

e1

Means: The House sent a message to the Senate informing them of the bill's passage.

S Ordered enrolled -SJ 844

04/28/2021 - 2:27 PM

e1

Means: The Senate requested that the bill be prepared to be sent to the governor by having both chambers sign it.

Signed by Officers and presented to Governor

06/16/2021 - 3:42 PM

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Means: The leaders of the House and Senate signed the bill to verify they passed it and sent it to the Governor.

<i>Chapter No. 2021-119</i>	<i>06/18/2021 - 5:15 PM</i>	<i>er</i>
<i>Approved by Governor</i>	<i>06/18/2021 - 5:14 PM</i>	<i>er</i>

Means: The bill was signed into law and given the chapter number listed. 2021 is the year and 119 means it is the 119th bill to become law that year.

GEORGIA

Example: HB 574 from 2021

NOTE: GA skips some steps in their bill status list.

02/22/2021 House Hopper

Means: The bill was filed in the House for introduction.

02/23/2021 House First Readers

Means: The bill had a 1st reading in the House by title only.

02/24/2021 House Second Readers

Committees

House Committee: Agriculture & Consumer Affairs
Senate Committee: Finance

Means: Bill had a 2nd reading in the full House and sent the bill to committee. After the 2nd reading, check the committees list and the appropriate chamber for which committee it went to. The bill went to Agriculture & Consumer Affairs. **NOTE: Senate sends bills to committee after the 1st reading.**

03/01/2021 House Committee Favorably Reported

Means: Committee passed the bill.

03/03/2021 House Third Readers

Means: Bill was given a 3rd reading in the House.

03/03/2021 House Passed/Adopted

Votes

Date	Vote No.	Yea	Nay	NV	Exc
03/03/2021	House Vote #154	164	0	5	11

Means: The bill passed the House. See votes to see the votes (164 yea, 0 nay, 5 not voting, and 11 excused). Click on link to see how each legislator voted.

03/05/2021 Senate Read and Referred

Committees

House Committee: [Agriculture & Consumer Affairs](#)
Senate Committee: [Finance](#)

Means: The bill had a 1st reading in the Senate by title only and was referred to Finance committee.

03/25/2021 Senate Committee Favorably Reported By Substitute

Means: The bill was passed by the Senate committee with a substitute.

03/25/2021 Senate Read Second Time

Means: The bill had a 2nd reading in the Senate.

03/29/2021 Senate Engrossed

Means: The Senate adopted and added the substitute changes to the bill and created a new version of it.

03/29/2021 Senate Tabled

Means: Senate tabled the bill, meaning they are delaying action on it until later.

03/31/2021 Senate Taken from Table

Means: The Senate voted to remove the bill from the table so that action may be taken on it.

03/31/2021 Senate Third Read

Means: The Senate had a 3rd reading on the bill. This is a reading only, not a vote.

03/31/2021 Senate Passed/Adopted By Substitute

Votes

Date	Vote No.	Yea	Nay	NV	Exc
03/31/2021	Senate Vote #436	51	0	1	4

Means: The Senate passed the bill with the substitute from the committee. The Votes section tells you how each legislator voted.

03/31/2021 House Agreed Senate Amend or Sub

Means: The House agreed to or concurred with the Senate substitute.

04/07/2021 House Sent to Governor

Means: The bill was sent to the governor for signing.

07/01/2021	Effective Date
05/10/2021	Act 278
05/10/2021	House Date Signed by Governor

Means: The bill was signed into law and was assigned an act number (bill is the 278th that became law that year), and lists when it takes effect.

HAWAII

Example: HB 156 from 2021

1/21/2021 H Pending introduction.

Means: The bill was filed in the House but not officially introduced yet.

1/22/2021 H Introduced and Pass First Reading.

Means: The bill was officially introduced and had a 1st reading where it was read by title.

1/27/2021 H Referred to AGR, JHA, referral sheet 1

Means: The bill will go to the 2 committees listed. The first is Agriculture (AGR).

2/5/2021 H Bill scheduled to be heard by AGR on Wednesday, 02-10-21 10:00AM in House conference room 325 Via Videoconference.

Means: A committee hearing was scheduled for Feb 10.

2/10/2021 H The committees on AGR recommend that the measure be PASSED, UNAMENDED. The votes were as follows: 8 Ayes: Representative(s) Hashem, Perruso, Lowen, Marten, Matayoshi, Todd, Tokioka, Matsumoto; Ayes with reservations: none; Noes: none; and Excused: none.

Means: The bill passed Agriculture committee with the votes listed. It also says what it recommends the House do with the bill (pass it with no amendments).

2/17/2021 H Reported from AGR (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 338), recommending passage on Second Reading and referral to JHA.

Means: Agriculture sent the bill back to the full House with the recommendation that it have a 2nd reading and be referred to the 2nd committee from the list. NOTE: It may also recommend sending it to an additional committee.

2/17/2021 H Passed Second Reading and referred to the committee(s) on JHA with none voting aye with reservations; none voting no (0) and Representative(s) Hashem excused (1).

Means: Bill had a 2nd reading and was referred to the 2nd committee. Hawaii sends all bills to a 2nd reading right before sending it to the final committee. Aye with reservations means the legislator supports something being done but has problems with the bill as is. It is counted as a yes vote.

2/22/2021 H Bill scheduled to be heard by JHA on Wednesday, 02-24-21 2:00PM in House conference room 325 Via Videoconference.

Means: The bill had a hearing scheduled in the 2nd committee.

2/24/2021 H The committees on JHA recommend that the measure be PASSED, UNAMENDED. The votes were as follows: 10 Ayes: Representative(s) Nakashima, Matayoshi, D. Kobayashi, LoPresti, Lowen, McKelvey, Nakamura, Takumi, Todd, Ward; Ayes with reservations: none; Noes: none; and 2 Excused: Representative(s) Ichiyama, Tokioka.

Means: The bill passed the 2nd committee.

3/4/2021 H Reported from JHA (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 741), recommending passage on Third Reading.

Means: The bill was sent from the committee back to the full House.

3/4/2021 H Passed Third Reading with none voting aye with reservations; none voting no (0) and Representative(s) Takumi excused (1). Transmitted to Senate.

Means: The bill passed the House.

3/5/2021 S Received from House (Hse. Com. No. 35).

Means: Senate acknowledged receipt of the bill from the House.

3/5/2021 S Passed First Reading.

Means: Bill had a first reading in the Senate where it was read by title only.

3/9/2021 S Referred to JDC.

Means: The bill was referred to Judiciary.

3/12/2021 S The committee(s) on JDC has scheduled a public hearing on 03-18-21 9:15AM; Via Videoconference.

Means: The committee is holding a public hearing on the bill on Mar 18.

3/18/2021 S The committee(s) on JDC recommend(s) that the measure be PASSED, UNAMENDED. The votes in JDC were as follows: 7 Aye(s): Senator(s) Rhoads, Keohokalole, Acasio, Gabbard, Kim, Lee, Fevella; Aye(s) with reservations: none ; 0 No(es): none; and 0 Excused: none.

Means: The bill passed Judiciary committee as is.

3/25/2021 S Reported from JDC (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1215) with recommendation of passage on Second Reading and placement on the calendar for Third Reading.

Means: The Judiciary committee sent the bill back to the full Senate and recommended that it have a 2nd reading.

3/25/2021 S Report adopted; Passed Second Reading.

Means: The bill had a 2nd reading in the House where they adopted the committee report to pass the bill on 2nd reading.

3/25/2021 S One Day Notice 03-29-21.

Means: The Senate is giving you just a 1-day notice that it will vote on the bill (Mar 26 was a holiday, so next legislative day was Mon, Mar 29).

3/29/2021 S Passed Third Reading. Ayes, 25; Aye(s) with reservations: none . Noes, 0 (none). Excused, 0 (none). Transmitted to House.

Means: The bill passed the Senate and was sent back to the House.

3/29/2021 H Returned from Senate (Sen. Com. No. 455).

Means: House is acknowledging receipt of the bill from the Senate.

3/29/2021 H Transmitted to Governor.

Means: Bill was sent to the Governor for signing.

4/14/2021 H Act 004, on 04/14/2021 (Gov. Msg. No. 1104).

4/14/2021 S Act 004, 04/14/2021 (Gov. Msg. No. 1104).

Means: The Governor signed the bill into law on Apr 14. This is telling you the Governor sent a message to both the House and Senate (H and S) informing them that the bill was signed and the act number.

IDAHO

Example: HB 64 from 2021

01/29 Introduced, read first time, referred to JRA for Printing

Means: Bill was introduced in the House, had a 1st reading by title only and was sent for printing. Usually, the printed version is the official version of the bill. JRA is Judiciary, Rules and Administration Committee that prints the bills.

02/01 Reported Printed and Referred to Agricultural Affairs

Means: Bill was printed out and sent to regular committee.

02/17 Reported out of Committee with Do Pass Recommendation, Filed for Second Reading

Means: Bill passed committee. It was placed on the calendar for a 2nd reading.

02/18 Read second time; Filed for Third Reading

Means: Bill had 2nd reading. It was placed on the calendar for a 3rd reading.

02/19 U.C. to hold place on third reading calendar until Monday, February 22, 2021

Means: The bill has until Feb 22 to be read a 3rd time and pass. UC is Union Calendar.

02/22 Read Third Time in Full – Previously Read in Full – **PASSED – 52-18-0**

AYES – Addis, Amador, Andrus, Armstrong, Berch, Blanksma, Boyle, Cannon, Chaney, Chew, Clow, Davis, DeMordaunt, Ehardt, Erickson, Furniss, Galloway, Gannon, Gestrin, Gibbs, Green, Hartgen, Holtzclaw, Horman, Kauffman, Kerby, Lickley, Manwaring, Marshall, Mathias, McCrostie, Mitchell, Monks, Moon, Moyle, Nash, Necochea, Nichols, Palmer, Rubel, Ruchti, Shepherd, Syme, Toone, Troy, Vander Woude, Weber, Wood, Yamamoto, Young, Youngblood, Mr. Speaker

NAYS – Adams, Barbieri, Bundy, Christensen, Crane, Dixon, Ferch, Giddings, Hanks, Harris, Kingsley, Mendive, Nate, Okuniewicz, Scott, Skaug, von Ehlinger, Wisniewski

Absent – None

Floor Sponsor – Boyle

Title apvd - to Senate

Means: The bill passed the House. Title apvd means the title was approved.

02/23 Received from the House passed; filed for first reading
Introduced, read first time; referred to: Agricultural Affairs

Means: The House acknowledged receipt of the bill, had a 1st reading by title only and referred it to committee.

02/25 Reported out of Committee with Do Pass Recommendation; Filed for second reading

Means: The bill passed Senate committee. It was placed on the calendar for a 2nd reading in entire Senate.

02/26 Read second time; filed for Third Reading

Means: Bill had a 2nd reading in the Senate. It was placed on the calendar for a 3rd reading in entire Senate.

03/08 Read third time in full - **PASSED - 35-0-0**
AYES - Agenbroad, Anthon, Bair, Bayer, Burgoyne, Burtenshaw, Cook, Crabtree, Den Hartog, Grow, Guthrie, Harris, Heider, Johnson, Lakey, Lee, Lent, Lodge, Martin, Nelson, Nye, Patrick, Rabe, Rice, Ricks, Riggs, Souza, Stennett, Thayn, Vick, Ward-Engelking, Winder, Wintrow, Woodward, Zito
NAYS - None
Absent and excused - None
Floor Sponsor - Rabe
Title apvd - to House

Means: The bill passed the Senate with no changes.

03/09 Returned from Senate Passed; to JRA for Enrolling

Means: House acknowledged receipt of bill and ordered it to be enrolled, or to be prepared to be sent to both chambers for signing to verify it passed.

03/10 Reported Enrolled; Signed by Speaker; Transmitted to Senate
Received from the House enrolled/signed by Speaker
Signed by President; returned to House

Means: The bill was signed by the leader of the House and then sent to the leader of the Senate to sign, where it was signed and returned.

03/11 Returned Signed by the President; Ordered Transmitted to Governor

Means: House received the bill and ordered it to be sent to the Governor for signing.

03/12 Delivered to Governor at 10:45 a.m. on March 11, 2021

Means: The governor received the bill.

03/16 Reported Signed by Governor on March 12, 2021
Session Law Chapter 40
Effective: 07/01/2021

Means: The bill was signed into law by the Governor and given a chapter number. This is the 40th bill to become law. It also lists when the bill takes effect.

ILLINOIS

Example: HB 64 from 2021

2/11/2021	House	Filed with the Clerk by Rep. Barbara Hernandez
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Means: The bill sponsor filed the bill with the House clerk for introduction.

2/17/2021	House	First Reading
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Means: The bill had a 1st reading in the House by title.

2/17/2021	House	Referred to Rules Committee
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Means: The bill was sent to Rules committee which assigns the bill to a regular committee.

2/18/2021	House	Added Chief Co-Sponsor Rep. Jonathan Carroll
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Means: Legislators can be added or removed as co-sponsors of a bill throughout the process. This bill had several changes but only one is listed as an example.

3/9/2021	House	Assigned to Consumer Protection Committee
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Means: The Rules committee assigned this bill to Consumer Protection.

3/15/2021	House	Do Pass / Short Debate Consumer Protection Committee ; 005-001-000
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Means: Bill passed committee with a vote of 5 yes, 1 no and 0 abstain.

3/18/2021	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate
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Means: Bill was placed on the calendar for a 2nd reading in the full House. Debate (discussion) on the bill will be short.

3/24/2021	House	House Floor Amendment No. 1 Filed with Clerk by Rep. Andrew S. Chesney
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Means: An amendment was filed by the sponsor after it passed committee, so it was added as a floor amendment. Amendments are filed with the House clerk first.

3/24/2021	House	House Floor Amendment No. 1 Referred to Rules Committee
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Means: Amendments introduced on the floor of the full House are sent to the Rules Committee for approval.

4/6/2021	House	House Floor Amendment No. 1 Recommends Be Adopted Rules Committee ; 005-000-000
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Means: The committee adopted the amendment with 5 yes votes.

4/13/2021	House	Second Reading - Short Debate
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Means: The bill had a 2nd reading.

4/13/2021	House	House Floor Amendment No. 1 Adopted
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Means: During the 2nd reading, the House adopted the sponsor amendment only.

4/13/2021	House	Placed on Calendar Order of 3 rd Reading - Short Debate
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Means: The bill was placed on the 3rd reading calendar in the full House.

4/14/2021	House	Third Reading - Short Debate - Passed 076-024-002
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Means: The Bill passed the House.

4/14/2021	House	Motion Filed to Reconsider Vote Rep. Andrew S. Chesney
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Means: A legislator formally made a motion to reconsider the vote of the House, preventing it from going to the Senate.

4/16/2021	House	Motion to Reconsider Vote - Withdrawn Rep. Andrew S. Chesney
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Means: The legislator then later withdrew the motion, allowing it to go to the Senate.

4/19/2021	Senate	Arrive in Senate
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Means: Senate acknowledged receipt of the bill.

4/19/2021	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of First Reading
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Means: Senate placed the bill on the calendar for the 1st reading. It was not actually read.

4/19/2021	Senate	First Reading
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Means: The bill had a 1st reading in the Senate by title.

4/19/2021	Senate	Referred to Assignments
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Means: The bill was sent to Assignments committee which assigns which committee a bill is referred to. It is the same as the House Rules committee.

5/20/2021	Senate	Assigned to Agriculture
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Means: Assignment committee referred the bill to Agriculture.

5/21/2021	Senate	Rule 2-10 Committee Deadline Established As May 29, 2021
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Means: The committee was given until May 29 to pass the bill. The bill was likely not going to meet the regular committee deadline, so it was extended.

5/27/2021	Senate	Do Pass Agriculture ; 012-001-000
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Means: The bill passed the Senate committee.

5/27/2021	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading
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Means: Bill was placed on the Senate calendar for a 2nd reading. It was not actually read.

5/28/2021	Senate	Second Reading
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Means: The bill had a 2nd reading in the Senate.

5/28/2021	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading May 29, 2021
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Means: The bill was placed on the calendar for a 3rd reading.

5/31/2021	Senate	Third Reading - Passed; 038-012-004
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Means: The bill passed the Senate.

5/31/2021	House	Passed Both Houses
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Means: This is just informing you that the bill passed the House and Senate.

6/29/2021	House	Sent to the Governor
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Means: The bill was sent to the governor for signing.

8/27/2021	House	Governor Approved
8/27/2021	House	Effective Date February 23, 2022
8/27/2021	House	Public Act 102-0586

Means: The bill was signed by the Governor and assigned an act number. 102 means it was passed during the 102nd General Assembly (2021-2022) and it was the 586th bill that became law. The date the bill takes effect was also listed.

INDIANA

Example: SB 53 from 2021

S 01/04/2021 Authored by Senator Leising

Means: Just tells who wrote the bill. S means the bill is in the Senate.

S 01/04/2021 First reading: referred to Committee on [Agriculture](#)

Means: Bill had a 1st reading in the Senate by title and was sent to committee.

S 01/12/2021 Committee report: do pass, adopted

Means: Bill passed committee.

S 01/14/2021 Second reading: ordered engrossed

Means: Bill had a 2nd reading and was sent to be engrossed where any amendments are added to the bill.

S 01/25/2021 Third reading: passed; Roll Call 9: yeas 49, nays 0

Means: Bill passed the Senate.

S 01/25/2021 House sponsor: Representative Lehe

Means: Sponsors can be added or removed from a bill during the bill process. Only one is being shown for this bill as an example.

S 01/26/2021 Referred to the House

Means: Bill was then sent to the House.

H 02/23/2021 First reading: referred to Committee on [Agriculture and Rural Development](#)

Means: Bill had a first reading in the House (H) and was sent to committee.

H 03/09/2021 Committee report: do pass, adopted

Means: Bill passed the House committee.

H 03/11/2021 Second reading: ordered engrossed

Means: Bill had a 2nd reading in the House where the entire bill was likely read. Again, it was sent to have any amendments added to the bill to create an updated one.

H 03/15/2021 Third reading: passed; [Roll Call 255: yeas 95, nays 0](#)

Means: Bill passed the House.

H 03/16/2021 Returned to the Senate without amendments

Means: Bill was sent back to the Senate. This bill had no changes in the House.

S 03/17/2021 Signed by the President Pro Tempore

Means: The bill was signed by the 2nd ranked leader of the Senate.

S 03/31/2021 Signed by the President of the Senate

H 03/23/2021 Signed by the Speaker

Means: The bill was signed by the leaders of the House and Senate verifying that it passed in both.

S 04/01/2021 Public Law 5

S 04/01/2021 Signed by the Governor

Means: The bill was signed into law and assigned a number.

IOWA

Example: HF 513 from 2021 (HF is House File or the same as a House Bill)

NOTE: Some bills originate as a study bill to give more time to work on them. Then a regular bill is created if approved by committee. In the example below, this bill started as Study Bill 161 before being introduced as HF 513 (see the Formerly HSB 161 below).

By [COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT](#)

A bill for an act relating to pari-mutuel wagering on horse or dog races licensed in a foreign jurisdiction. (Formerly [HSB 161](#).) Effective date: 07/01/2021.

February 15, 2021		Introduced, placed on calendar. H.J. 390 .
February 23, 2021	video	Passed House , yeas 81, nays 12. H.J. 514 .
February 24, 2021		Explanation of vote. H.J. 546 .
February 25, 2021		Explanation of vote. H.J. 555 .
May 19, 2021		Explanation of vote. H.J. 1204 .
February 23, 2021		Immediate message. H.J. 519 .
February 23, 2021		Message from House. S.J. 438 .
February 23, 2021		Read first time, attached to companion SF 415. S.J. 438 .
April 01, 2021		Placed on calendar under unfinished business. S.J. 725 .
May 19, 2021		Substituted for SF 415. S.J. 1127 .
May 19, 2021	video	Passed Senate , yeas 34, nays 12. S.J. 1128 .
June 22, 2021		Explanation of vote. S.J. 1149 .
May 19, 2021		Immediate message. S.J. 1128 .
May 19, 2021		Message from Senate. H.J. 1177 .
May 28, 2021		Reported correctly enrolled, signed by Speaker and President, and sent to Governor. H.J. 1207 .
June 08, 2021		Signed by Governor . H.J. 1209 . Signed Enrolled Bill (PDF) Acts Chapter 156 Summary of Legislation

Bill History for [House Study Bill 161](#)

A bill for an act relating to pari-mutuel wagering on horse or dog races licensed in a foreign jurisdiction.(See [HF 513](#).)

January 28, 2021	Introduced, referred to State Government. H.J. 253 .
January 28, 2021	Subcommittee: Sexton, Cohoon and Mitchell. H.J. 256 .
February 09, 2021	Subcommittee Meeting: 02/10/2021 8:00AM RM 102, Sup. Ct. Consult.
February 10, 2021	Subcommittee recommends passage. Vote Total: 3-0
February 11, 2021	Committee report, recommending passage. H.J. 387 .

Bill History for [House Study Bill 161](#)

A bill for an act relating to pari-mutuel wagering on horse or dog races licensed in a foreign jurisdiction.(See [HF 513](#).)

January 28, 2021

Introduced, referred to State Government. [H.J. 253](#).

Means: This bill was first introduced as House Study Bill 161 and referred to committee.

January 28, 2021

Subcommittee: Sexton, Cohoon and Mitchell. [H.J. 256](#).

Means: The bill was sent to a subcommittee with the members listed.

February 09, 2021

Subcommittee Meeting: 02/10/2021 8:00AM RM 102, Sup. Ct. Consult.

Means: A meeting was scheduled on the bill in the subcommittee.

February 10, 2021

Subcommittee recommends passage. Vote Total: 3-0

Means: Subcommittee approved the bill.

February 11, 2021

Committee report, recommending passage. [H.J. 387](#).

Means: The full committee approved passing the bill.

A bill for an act relating to pari-mutuel wagering on horse or dog races licensed in a foreign jurisdiction. (Formerly [HSB 161](#).) Effective date: 07/01/2021.

February 15, 2021

Introduced, placed on calendar. [H.J. 390](#).

Means: The bill was renumbered as HF 513.

February 23, 2021 [video](#)

Passed House, yeas 81, nays 12. [H.J. 514](#).

Means: The bill passed the House.

February 24, 2021

Explanation of vote. [H.J. 546.](#)

On February 23, 2021, I was necessarily absent during voting in the House chamber. Had I been present, I would have voted as follows:

House File 513—“aye”

Winckler of Scott

Means: A legislator wanted to clarify their vote on the bill. Looking at House Journal page 546, you see this legislator was absent for the vote but wanted to state that they would have voted Aye if they were present.

February 25, 2021

Explanation of vote. [H.J. 555.](#)

On February 23, 2021, I inadvertently voted “aye” on House File 513, I meant to vote “nay”.

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Means: Another legislator wanted to clarify their vote. A look at this journal page shows this one meant to vote Nay instead of Aye.

May 19, 2021

Explanation of vote. [H.J. 1204.](#)

On February 23, 2021, I was necessarily absent during voting in the House chamber. Had I been present, I would have voted as follows:

House File 513—“aye”

Boden of Warren

Means: Another legislator was absent during voting and wanted to clarify they would have voted Aye if present.

February 23, 2021

Immediate message. [H.J. 519.](#)

Means: The House Journal (HJ) means a message was sent by the House to the Senate informing them they passed the bill.

February 23, 2021

Message from House. [S.J. 438.](#)

Means: The Senate Journal (SJ) means the Senate received the message.

February 23, 2021

Read first time, attached to companion SF 415. [S.J. 438.](#)

Means: The bill had a 1st reading in the Senate where a companion bill was attached to it.

April 01, 2021

Placed on calendar under unfinished business. [S.J. 725](#).

Means: The bill was put on the Senate calendar to be heard in the full Senate.

May 19, 2021

Substituted for SF 415. [S.J. 1127](#).

Means: The HF (House File = this bill) replaced the SF (Senate File = companion bill), meaning the SF was withdrawn. House File and Senate File are just what they call their bills.

May 19, 2021

[video](#)

Passed Senate, yeas 34, nays 12. [S.J. 1128](#).

Means: The bill passed the Senate.

June 22, 2021

Explanation of vote. [S.J. 1149](#).

MR. PRESIDENT: I was necessarily absent from the Senate chamber on Wednesday, May 19, 2021, when the votes were taken on Senate Files 615 and 568; and House Files 838, 513, and 847. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on all.

CRAIG JOHNSON

Means: Another legislator wanted to explain their vote. This one was also absent and wanted to state they would have voted yes if they were present.

May 19, 2021

Immediate message. [S.J. 1128](#).

Means: The Senate sent a message to the House informing them of the bill's passage.

May 19, 2021

Message from Senate. [H.J. 1177](#).

Means: The House received the message from the Senate.

May 28, 2021

Reported correctly enrolled, signed by Speaker and President, and sent to Governor. [H.J. 1207](#).

Means: The bill was enrolled or finalized, signed by leaders of the House and Senate verifying it passed, and sent to the Governor for signing.

June 08, 2021

Signed by Governor. [H.J. 1209](#).

[Signed Enrolled Bill \(PDF\)](#)

[Acts Chapter 156](#)

Means: The bill was signed into law and given a number. This was the 156th bill passed.

KANSAS

Example: SB 39 from 2021

Thu, Jan 21, 2021	Senate	Introduced		56
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Means: Bill was filed in the Senate and officially introduced.

Fri, Jan 22, 2021	Senate	Referred to Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources		68
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Means: Bill was sent to committee.

Wed, Jan 27, 2021	Senate	Hearing: Wednesday, January 27, 2021, 8:30 AM Room 144-S		
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Means: The bill had a hearing in committee.

Thu, Jan 28, 2021	Senate	Committee Report recommending bill be passed and placed on Consent Calendar by Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources		121
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Means: The bill passed committee. The next step is to either go to the Consent Calendar (pass non-controversial bills without discussion) or Committee of the Whole (committee of entire House or Senate that debates the bill). This bill went to the Consent Calendar. NOTE: If controversial, the bill is removed from consent calendar and placed on General Order calendar for discussion.

Thu, Feb 4, 2021	Senate	Consent Calendar Passed Yea: 36 Nay: 1		150
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Means: Senate passed the bill.

Fri, Feb 5, 2021	House	Received and Introduced		174
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Means: The bill was both received by the House and officially introduced.

Fri, Feb 5, 2021	House	Referred to Committee on Agriculture		178
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Means: Bill was referred to committee.

Thu, Feb 18, 2021	House	Hearing: Thursday, February 18, 2021, 3:30 PM Room 112-N		
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Means: Bill had a hearing scheduled on the same day as announced (Feb 18).

Tue, Feb 23, 2021	House	Committee Report recommending bill be passed by Committee on Agriculture		276
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Means: Bill passed House committee.

Thu, Feb 25, 2021	House	Committee of the Whole - Motion to Amend - Offered by Representative Murphy		
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Means: Once a bill passes committee in the House, it can again go to the Committee of the Whole or the Consent Calendar. For this bill, an amendment was offered so it was sent to the Committee of the Whole.

Thu, Feb 25, 2021	House	Committee of the Whole - Amendment by Representative Murphy was adopted		298
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Means: The amendment was approved by the committee.

Thu, Feb 25, 2021	House	Committee of the Whole - Be passed as amended		298
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Means: The committee passed the entire bill with amendment. Since the vote took place in the Committee of the Whole and not the entire House, the bill must then be sent to the House floor for an official vote.

Thu, Feb 25, 2021	House	Emergency Final Action - Passed as amended; Yea: 117 Nay: 7		
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Means: House passed the bill with the amendment. Final Action is another type of calendar where bills that are ready for final vote are placed on.

Thu, Feb 25, 2021	Senate	Nonconcurrent with amendments; Conference Committee requested; appointed Senator Kerschen , Senator Straub and Senator Ware as conferees		250
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Means: Senate did not approve of the amendments in the House, so a conference committee was formed to work out the differences between the two chambers. The Senate picked members of their chamber to serve on the committee and represent them.

Mon, Mar 1, 2021	House	Motion to accede adopted; Representative Rahjes, Representative Smith, E. and Representative Carlin appointed as conferees		323
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Means: House agreed to conference committee and appointed their members.

Wed, May 5, 2021	Senate	Motion to suspend Joint Rule 4 (k) to allow consideration adopted;		1122
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Means: Senate wanted to suspend going through the conference committee and wanted to reconsider adopting the amendments.

Wed, May 5, 2021	Senate	Concurred with amendments in conference; Yea: 35 Nay: 5		1253
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Means: Senate agreed to the House amendments.

Fri, May 7, 2021	Senate	Enrolled and presented to Governor on Friday, May 7, 2021		1400
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Means: The bill was finalized with all amendments and sent to the Governor for signing.

Wed, May 26, 2021	Senate	Approved by Governor on Monday, May 17, 2021		
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Means: Governor signed the bill into law on May 17.

KENTUCKY

Example: HB 229 from 2021

01/08/21	introduced in House to Committee on Committees (H)
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Means: Bill was formally introduced in the House. The Committee on Committees is the committee that decides which committee a bill will be referred to.

01/13/21	to Judiciary (H) posted in committee
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Means: The Committee on Committees decided to send it to Judiciary. A notice was posted to the committee.

02/03/21	reported favorably, 1st reading, to Calendar
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Means: Bill passed the committee, had a 1st reading in the entire House where it was read by title and was placed on the 2nd reading calendar.

02/04/21	2nd reading, to Rules posted for passage in the Regular Orders of the Day for Tuesday, February 9, 2021
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Means: The bill had a 2nd reading. After the 2nd reading, a bill goes to Rules. The Rules committee placed it on the calendar for Feb 9.

02/09/21	3rd reading, passed 93-0 received in Senate
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Means: Bill passed the House and was sent to the Senate. The Senate acknowledged receipt.

02/22/21	to Agriculture (S)
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Means: Bill was referred to Agriculture committee in the Senate.

03/02/21	reported favorably, 1st reading, to Consent Calendar
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Means: Bill passed committee and had a 1st reading by title in the entire Senate. It then was placed on the Consent Calendar for its 2nd reading. A consent calendar is one where all bills placed on it are expected to be voted Yes on.

03/03/21	2nd reading, to Rules posted for passage in the Consent Orders of the Day for Friday, March 5, 2021 floor amendments (1-title) and (2) filed
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Means: The bill had a 2nd reading and was again sent to Rules to decide whether to place it on the calendar for Mar 5. Orders of the Day are bills that are scheduled for 3rd reading, discussion and a final vote. Consent Orders is the same as consent calendar (bills that are expected to be voted yes on). Also, 2 new amendments were introduced on the Senate floor (floor amendment 1 and floor amendment 2). The 1-title means that only the title was amended.

03/05/21	taken from the Consent Orders of the Day, placed in the Regular Orders of the Day passed over and retained in the Orders of the Day
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Means: The bill was removed from the consent orders (noncontroversial bills) to the regular orders (likely due to the amendments). Passed over means they didn't get to it on Mar 5 but kept it on the calendar for the next meeting.

03/11/21	3rd reading, passed 34-0 with floor amendments (2) and (1-title) received in House to Rules (H)
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Means: The bill passed the Senate with both amendments and was sent to the House. The House acknowledged receipt and then sent it to Rules.

03/12/21	posted for passage for concurrence in Senate floor amendments (1-title) and (2)
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Means: Notifies the House that the Senate amendments need to be approved.

03/15/21	House concurred in Senate floor amendments (2) and (1-title) passed 92-0 enrolled, signed by Speaker of the House enrolled, signed by President of the Senate delivered to Governor
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Means: The House approved the Senate amendments. Enrolled means the bill was finalized with approved amendments added and reviewed for errors. Then the leaders of both the House and Senate sign it to verify its passage. Then it was sent to the Governor.

03/19/21	signed by Governor (Acts Ch. 50)
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Means: The bill was signed into law. It was given a chapter number. It was the 50th bill that became law.

LOUISIANA

Example: SB 58 from 2021

03/22 S Prefiled and under the rules provisionally referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development.

Means: The bill was filed before the session started (prefiled). Provisionally referred means it was temporarily referred to the committee listed, but it may change when the session actually starts.

04/12 S 7 Introduced in the Senate; read by title. Rules suspended. Read second time and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development.

Means: The legislature started for the year, so it was officially introduced in the Senate and had a 1st reading (read by title). The Senate also voted to go ahead and do the 2nd reading and send it to committee (rules suspended).

04/13 S 8 Reported favorably.

Means: The bill passed committee.

04/14 S 7 Read by title. Ordered engrossed and passed to third reading and final passage.

Means: The bill was read by title only. Any amendments were added to the bill (engrossed), which there were none. Then, the bill was put on the calendar for a 3rd reading to be voted on in the Senate.

04/19 S 16 Read by title, passed by a vote of 37 yeas and 0 nays, and sent to the House. Motion to reconsider tabled.

Means: The bill passed the Senate. There was a motion to reconsider the vote, but it was tabled and not approved. It was then sent to the House.

04/20 H 2 Received in the House from the Senate, read by title, lies over under the rules.

Means: The House acknowledged receipt of the bill and had a 1st reading (read by title). Action was delayed (lies over).

04/21 H 8 Read by title, under the rules, referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development.

Means: The bill had a 2nd reading by title only (read by title) and was sent to committee.

05/13 H 47 Reported with amendments (14-0). Referred to the Legislative Bureau.

Means: Bill passed the House committee with amendments. Bills are sent to the Legislative Bureau before a 3rd reading in the 2nd chamber (House in this case). It is comprised of 1 House member and 1 Senate member. The Legislative Bureau reviews it and makes any suggested amendments.

05/17 H 36 Reported without Legislative Bureau amendments.

Means: The Legislative Bureau sent the bill back to the House without any amendments.

05/18 H 12 Read by title, amended, passed to 3rd reading.

Means: Bill had another reading by title only in the House where the committee amendment was approved. It was then placed on the 3rd reading calendar.

05/20 H Scheduled for floor debate on 05/26/2021.

Means: House scheduled a day to debate or discuss the bill on May 26.

05/26 H 30 Read third time by title, roll called on final passage, yeas 100, nays 0. Finally passed, ordered to the Senate.

Means: Bill had a 3rd reading by title only and passed the House. Roll called means each legislator's name was called and that legislator gave their vote. Bill was then sent to the Senate.

05/27 S 5 Received from the House with amendments.

Means: Senate acknowledged receipt of the bill.

06/01	S	31	Amendments proposed by the House read and concurred in by a vote of 36 yeas and 0 nays.
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Means: Senate met and read the House amendments. Then the Senate agreed, or concurred with, the amendments.

06/03	H	50	Signed by the Speaker of the House.
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06/02	S	63	Enrolled. Signed by the President of the Senate.
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Means: The bill was prepared in final form with any approved changes added. The leader of the House and Senate signed it to verify it passed.

06/06	S	40	Sent to the Governor by the Secretary of the Senate on 6/4/2021.
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Means: The bill was sent to the governor for signing.

06/11	S		Effective date 6/11/2021.
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06/11	S		Signed by the Governor. Becomes Act No. 162.
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Means: The bill was signed into law and given an act number (162 means it was the 162nd bill that became law that year). The date the bill takes effect is also listed.

MAINE

Example: HP 69 from 2021

NOTE: In Maine, actions on a bill are spread over 3 different tabs: summary, actions, and committee info. Start by looking at actions. Then committee info after bill is sent to a committee. Then back to actions. Finally, look at summary to find the governor's action on a bill.

1/11/2021 House Received by the Clerk of the House on January 11, 2021.

The Bill was **REFERRED** to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY** pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 401.

Means: The bill was filed in the House and officially received. Then it was sent to committee and printed out. Joint Rule 308.2 allows a bill to be sent to committee when the legislature is not in session. Joint Rule 401 just says that every bill must be printed. Next, look at the committee info page.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry on Jan 11, 2021.

Means: This is when the bill was referred to committee.

Public Hearings

Thursday, February 25, 2021 9:30 AM, Cross Building, Room 214

Means: The bill had a public hearing on Feb 25.

Work Sessions

Tuesday, March 9, 2021 9:00 AM, Cross Building, Room 214

Means: The bill had a work session Mar 9 where the committee discussed the bill without further public input.

Mar 9, 2021 Work Session Held

Means: Just informs the public a work session was held.

Mar 9, 2021 Voted

Divided Report

Means: During the work session, the committee voted on the bill. Divided report means the members were divided on what action to take.

3/30/2021 House Carried over, in the same posture, to a subsequent special or regular session of the 130th Legislature, pursuant to Joint Order SP 435.

Means: On the action tab, The House agreed to carry over the bill to every regular or special session of the 130th Legislature (2021-2022). This means that it will automatically be eligible to be acted on during any special session called. This bill actually passed committee during a special session.

Apr 5, 2021 Reported Out OTP-AM/ONTP

Latest Committee Action: Reported Out, Apr 5, 2021, OTP-AM/ONTP

Latest Committee Report: Apr 5, 2021; ACF, MAJ: Ought To Pass As Amended; ACF, MIN: Ought Not To Pass

Means: The bill was sent back to both the House and Senate. Majority voted ought to pass as amended (OTP-AM) and a minority voted ought not to pass (ONTP). So, most wanted it to pass with amendment and some didn't want it to pass at all. All suggested actions are given to the House and Senate for them to decide which one to adopt. Next, go back to the action page to see how the House and Senate responded, which take action on the same report.

4/28/2021 House Reports **READ.**

Means: The House responded first. It read the committee report. NOTE: The House is taking several different actions on the same day. This report looks at them one at a time.

On motion of Representative O'NEIL of Saco, the Majority **Ought to Pass as Amended** Report was **ACCEPTED.**

Means: The House decided to adopt the majority report from the committee of ought to pass as amended. During this stage, the House is just deciding how to proceed with the bill: pass it with amendments or not pass it. It is not a final vote.

The Bill was **READ ONCE.**

Means: Bill had first reading in the House.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-65) was READ and ADOPTED.

Means: House read and adopted the committee amendment A.

Under suspension of the rules, the Bill was given its **SECOND READING** without **REFERENCE** to the Committee on **Bills in the Second Reading**.

Means: The House suspended the rules and went ahead and read the bill a 2nd time. It did not send it to the committee that deals with 2nd reading bills.

The Bill was **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED** as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-65).

Means: The House approved the bill to be engrossed, which means updating the bill text with the new amendment. It has still not passed the House yet.

Sent for concurrence. **ORDERED SENT FORTHWITH**.

Means: The House sent the bill to the Senate to get them to concur (approve) and take the same action (pass it as amended).

4/28/2021 Senate Reports **READ**

Means: The committee report was read by the Senate.

On motion by Senator DILL of Penobscot The Majority Ought to Pass As Amended Report **ACCEPTED**

Means: The Senate adopted the majority report of ought to pass as amended. Again, they are just deciding what action to take not actually passing it.

READ ONCE

Means: The bill itself had a 1st reading in the Senate.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-65) **READ** and **ADOPTED**

Means: The committee amendment was adopted by the Senate.

Under suspension of the Rules, **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED** by Committee Amendment "

Means: The Senate suspended the rules and went ahead and read the bill a 2nd time. It also approved the bill to be engrossed, which means updating the bill text with the new amendment. It has still not passed yet.

5/19/2021 House **PASSED TO BE ENACTED.**

Means: The House passed the bill.

6/2/2021 Senate **PASSED TO BE ENACTED**, in concurrence.

Means: The Senate passed the bill. In concurrence means both the House and Senate took the same actions. Next, check the governor's action on the summary page.

Governor Action	Signed by the Governor
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Chapter	99
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Final Law Type	Public Law
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Date	6/8/2021
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Means: The bill was signed into law on Jun 8 and given a chapter number. This was the 99th bill that became law.

MARYLAND

Example: HB 186 from 2021

NOTE: The first date listed in each of these is the calendar date. The 2nd date is the legislative date.

House	6/29/2020	6/29/2020	Pre-filed
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Means: The bill was filed in the House before the legislature started.

House	1/13/2021	1/13/2021	First Reading Judiciary
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Means: The bill had a 1st reading in the House and was sent to committee.

House	1/15/2021	1/15/2021	Hearing 1/28 at 1:30 p.m.
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Means: The committee had a hearing on Jan 28.

[Vote - House - Committee - Judiciary](#)

Means: After looking at the votes, this shows the bill passed committee.

House	2/16/2021	2/16/2021	Favorable with Amendments Report by Judiciary
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Means: The committee sent the bill and its report back to the House. Committee passed it with amendments.

House	2/18/2021	2/18/2021	Favorable with Amendments (472519/1 Adopted)	13
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Means: The House accepted the committee report on which action to take on the bill.

House	2/18/2021	2/18/2021	Second Reading Passed with Amendments	13
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Means: The bill had a 2nd reading where the amendments passed.

House	2/23/2021	2/23/2021	Third Reading Passed (132-0)	15
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Means: The bill passed the House.

Senate	2/24/2021	2/15/2021	Referred Judicial Proceedings	16
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Means: The Senate referred the bill to committee.

Vote - Senate - Committee - Judicial Proceedings				
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Means: The Senate committee voted on the bill. Opening the link shows it passed committee.

Senate	3/31/2021	3/31/2021	Favorable Report by Judicial Proceedings	
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Means: The committee sent the bill and its report back to the Senate.

Senate	4/01/2021	3/11/2021	Favorable Adopted Second Reading Passed	38A
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Means: The Senate adopted the committee report.

Senate	4/06/2021	3/14/2021	Third Reading Passed (47-0)	41
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Means: The bill passed the Senate with a vote of 47 yes and 0 no.

House	4/06/2021	3/21/2021	Returned Passed	40
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Means: The Senate returned the bill to the House.

Post Passage	5/18/2021	5/18/2021	Approved by the Governor - Chapter 181	
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Means: The bill was signed into law and given a chapter number. This bill was the 181st bill to become law.

MASSACHUSETTS

Example: S 36 from 2021

NOTE: MA has a very complex and many times confusing bill status and process. This report tries to explain it the best way possible.

Bill S.36

3/18/2021 Senate Referred to the committee on [Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture](#)

Means: Bill was sent to committee by the Senate.

3/22/2021 House House concurred

Means: The House agreed to send the bill to the committee listed. This is because MA has joint committees, which means both the House and Senate use the same committee. The bill goes to committee and then to each chamber for approval.

4/27/2021 Joint Hearing scheduled for 05/04/2021 from 01:00 PM-05:00 PM in Virtual Hearing

Means: The bill had a hearing in committee.

6/10/2021 Senate Accompanied a new draft, see [S2470](#)

Means: The bill was written into a new bill draft. This is common when the legislature has more than one bill on the same subject. All bills are combined into one bill. Following the status of the bill requires looking at the new bill.

Bill S.2470

6/10/2021 Senate Reported from the committee on [Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture](#)

Means: The new bill draft passed committee and the bill and committee report were sent to the Senate.

6/10/2021 Senate New draft of [S36](#) and [H864](#)

Means: This is saying that the bill replaces both S 36 (our bill) and another bill (H864). This means that text from both are likely combined into this new bill.

6/10/2021 Senate Bill reported favorably by committee and referred to the committee on [Senate Ways and Means](#)

Means: Bill was sent to another committee by the 1st committee.

6/21/2021 Senate Committee recommended ought to pass with an amendment, substituting a new draft, see [S2481](#)

Means: The committee passed the bill with amendment. When an amendment is made, the bill gets a new draft with a new number, so we have yet another bill number. However, the full Senate must approve the change first.

6/21/2021 Senate Placed in the Orders of the Day for Thursday, June 24, 2021

Means: It was placed on the calendar for 2nd reading for Jun 24.

6/24/2021 Senate Read second

Means: The bill had a 2nd reading in the Senate.

6/24/2021 Senate New draft substituted, see [S2481](#)

Means: The Senate approved the amendments and substituted S2470 with the new draft S2481. Following the status of the bill requires looking at the new bill.

Bill S.2481

6/21/2021 Senate Reported from the committee on [Senate Ways and Means](#)

Means: This shows the original approval by the Ways & Means committee as seen under the previous version of the bill.

6/21/2021 Senate Recommended new draft for [S2470](#)

Means: This shows the committee approval of a new draft with a new amendment as seen under the previous version of the bill.

6/24/2021 Senate Substituted as a new draft for [S2470](#)

Means: This shows how the Senate adopted this bill as the new draft for S 2470 as seen under the previous version of the bill.

6/24/2021 Senate Ordered to a third reading

Means: The bill was ordered to be placed on the 3rd reading calendar in the Senate.

6/24/2021 Senate Read third and passed to be engrossed

Means: The bill passed the Senate. Engrossed means all amendments and changes were added to the bill.

6/28/2021 House Read; and referred to the committee on [House Ways and Means](#)

Means: The bill had a 1st reading in the House and was referred to committee.

10/5/2021 House Committee recommended ought to pass with amendments striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting the text of [H4194](#), inserting an emergency preamble and striking out the title and inserting a new title

Means: The bill passed House committee with an amendment. It includes a new title. All amendments are placed into another new bill (H 4194 in this case). Looking at that bill, shows the following.

★ AMENDMENT H.4194

192nd (Current)



 View Text

Sponsor: [House Committee on Ways and Means](#)

 Print Preview

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Bill History

Displaying 1 action for Bill H.4194

Date	Branch	Action
10/5/2021	House	Text of House adopted amendments, see S2481

Means: The title shows this is only an amendment to another bill (S 2481) and provides the text.

10/5/2021	House	Referred to the committee on House Steering, Policy and Scheduling with the amendments pending
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Means: The bill was referred to another committee (amendments have not been approved yet). This committee determines how much of a priority a bill is and where and when it will be placed on the calendar for a 2nd reading.

10/5/2021	House	Committee reported that the matter be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting with the amendment pending
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Means: Committee decided to schedule it for the next legislative day. Orders of the Day is the type of calendar.

10/5/2021 House Rules suspended

Means: The House suspended the rules to wait until the next legislative day and went ahead and proceeded with a 2nd reading.

10/5/2021 House Read second, amended (as recommended by the committee on House Ways and Means) and ordered to a third reading

Means: The bill had a 2nd reading, had the amendments adopted and was ordered to be placed on the 3rd reading calendar.

Looking Back at Bill S.2470

10/5/2021 House Read second

10/5/2021 House Amendment (as recommended by the committee on Senate Ways and Means) adopted

Means: This adds the information about the 2nd reading and amendment (S2481) to the old bill page since the text changed.

Returning to Bill S.2481

10/6/2021 House Read third

Means: The bill had a 3rd reading in the House. This was a reading only.

10/6/2021 House Passed to be engrossed - 156 YEAS to 1 NAYS (See YEA and NAY No. 105 [A](#))

Means: The bill passed the House with the amendments. It was engrossed, or had the bill changes added to it.

10/12/2021 Senate Rules suspended

Means: Senate suspended the rules and decided to immediately respond to the House changes.

10/12/2021 Senate Senate NON-concurred in House amendment

Means: The Senate did not concur, or approve, of the House amendments.

10/12/2021 Senate Committee of conference appointed (Lewis-Rausch-Tarr)

Means: Senate appointed its members for the conference committee to work out the differences.

10/13/2021 House House insisted on its amendments

Means: The House did not want its changes removed.

10/13/2021 House Committee of conference appointed, in concurrence (Dykema-Cahill-Orrall)

Means: The House appointed its member for the conference committee.

12/20/2021 Senate Reported by [S2603](#)

Means: The conference committee final version was added into yet another new bill, S2603. Following the status of the bill requires looking at the new bill.

Bill S.2603

12/20/2021 Senate Reported from the committee of conference

Means: The new conference committee bill was sent back to the Senate with its report.

12/20/2021 Senate Reported on [S2481](#)

Means: Shows the committee action was added to the previous version of bill.

12/20/2021 Senate Rules suspended

Means: Rule to wait to take action on the report was suspended, allowing immediate action.

12/20/2021 Senate Committee of conference report accepted

Means: Senate approved the conference committee amendments of the bill.

12/20/2021 House Referred to the committee on House Steering, Policy and Scheduling

Means: In the House, adopting the conference report requires being placed on the calendar by the Steering, Policy and Scheduling committee.

12/20/2021 House Committee reported that the matter be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting, the question being on acceptance

Means: The committee scheduled it on the Orders of the Day calendar.

12/20/2021 House Rules suspended

Means: Rules were suspended to allow taking immediate action on it.

12/20/2021 House Committee of conference report accepted, in concurrence

Means: House approved the conference committee amendments to the bill.

12/20/2021 House Emergency preamble adopted

Means: Each chamber has to have a separate vote whether to approve the bill as an emergency bill as included in the conference committee amendments. House approved.

12/20/2021 Senate Emergency preamble adopted

Means: Senate approved making the bill an emergency bill.

12/20/2021 House Enacted

Means: House repassed the bill as amended.

12/20/2021 Senate Enacted and laid before the Governor

Means: Senate repassed the bill as amended and sent it to the Governor for signing.

12/22/2021 Executive Signed by the Governor, [Chapter 108 of the Acts of 2021](#)

Means: Bill was signed into law Dec 22 and given a chapter number. 2021 is the year introduced and 108 means it is the 108th bill passed that year.

MICHIGAN

Example: HB 4126 from 2021

2/4/2021 HJ 7 Pg. 103 introduced by Representative Gary Howell

Means: The bill was introduced in the House and lists the legislator who introduced it (sponsor). HJ tells the House Journal number and page the action is posted on.

2/4/2021 HJ 7 Pg. 103 read a first time

Means: The bill had a 1st reading in the House by title only.

2/4/2021 HJ 7 Pg. 103 referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Outdoor Recreation

Means: The bill was referred to committee. NOTE: In the Senate, the bill has a 2nd reading first.

2/9/2021 HJ 8 Pg. 112 bill electronically reproduced 02/04/2021

Means: The printed version of a bill is considered the official form. This means the bill text was posted electronically online.

2/18/2021 HJ 13 Pg. 155 reported with recommendation with substitute (H-1)

Means: The bill passed committee with a substitute. H-1 is the substitute number (H for House and 1 for amendment 1). Reported means the bill and substitute and the committee report were sent to the full House.

2/18/2021 HJ 13 Pg. 155 referred to second reading

Means: The bill was placed on the 2nd reading calendar in the full House. NOTE: This is for House only.

2/18/2021 HJ 13 Pg. 156 read a second time

Means: The bill had a 2nd reading.

2/18/2021 HJ 13 Pg. 156 substitute (H-1) adopted

Means: The committee substitute was adopted by the House. The House adopted the change only, not the bill.

2/18/2021 HJ 13 Pg. 156 placed on third reading

Means: The bill was placed on the 3rd reading calendar.

2/23/2021 HJ 14 Pg. 177 read a third time

Means: The bill had a 3rd reading only. No action taken yet.

2/23/2021 HJ 14 Pg. 177 passed; given immediate effect Roll Call # 12 Yeas 109 Nays 0 Excused 0 Not Voting 1

Means: The bill passed the House. The bill effective date was changed so it takes effect immediately after becoming law. The House did a roll call vote where they called each legislator's name and the legislator gave their vote.

2/23/2021 HJ 14 Pg. 177 transmitted

Means: The House sent the bill to the Senate.

2/24/2021 SJ 15 Pg. 201 REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

Means: The bill was sent to a Senate committee.

3/18/2021 SJ 25 Pg. 377 REPORTED FAVORABLY WITHOUT AMENDMENT

Means: The Senate committee passed the bill with no changes, and reported means it sent its report and the bill to the full Senate.

3/18/2021 SJ 25 Pg. 377 COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED IMMEDIATE EFFECT

Means: The committee also made a recommendation that the bill take effect immediately after becoming law.

3/18/2021 SJ 25 Pg. 377 REFERRED TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Means: In the Senate only, after a committee passes a bill it goes to the Committee of the Whole, which is a committee of the entire Senate. Here the Senate adopts amendments, introduces amendments and has discussion.

3/24/2021 SJ 27 Pg. 407 REPORTED BY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FAVORABLY WITHOUT AMENDMENT(S)

Means: Bill passed the Committee of the Whole without any new changes. Reported means its was sent to the regular Senate floor.

3/24/2021 SJ 27 Pg. 407 PLACED ON ORDER OF THIRD READING

Means: The bill was placed on the 3rd reading calendar.

3/25/2021 SJ 28 Pg. 443 PASSED; GIVEN IMMEDIATE EFFECT ROLL CALL # 80 YEAS 34 NAYS 1 EXCUSED 1 NOT VOTING 0

Means: The bill passed the Senate. The bill effective date was changed so it takes effect immediately after becoming law. The Senate did a roll call vote where they called each legislator's name and the legislator gave their vote.

3/25/2021 SJ 28 Pg. 443 INSERTED FULL TITLE

Means: The full title was added to the bill.

3/25/2021 HJ 28 Pg. 450 returned from Senate without amendment with immediate effect and full title

Means: The bill was sent back to the Senate with no changes.

3/25/2021 HJ 28 Pg. 450 bill ordered enrolled

Means: The bill is finalized in its final form and reviewed for accuracy and printed.

4/13/2021 HJ 29 Pg. 465 presented to the Governor 03/30/2021 11:02 AM

Means: Bill was sent to Governor.

4/13/2021 [HJ 29](#) Pg. 469 approved by the Governor 04/08/2021 10:30 AM

4/13/2021 [HJ 29](#) Pg. 469 filed with Secretary of State 04/08/2021 11:20 AM

4/13/2021 [HJ 29](#) Pg. 469 assigned PA 6'21 with immediate effect

Means: The bill was signed into law and given an act number. PA is Public Act, '21 is year 2021 and 6 means it is the 6th bill that became law that year. It also lists the effective date.

MINNESOTA

Example: SF 958 from 2021

NOTE: Minnesota gives the option to view actions in the order they happened or separated by House and Senate. Separated version is easier to read but chronological is easier to follow along with the bill status.

SEPARATED:

02/11/2021 Introduction and first reading

Means: The bill was formally introduced and had a 1st reading by title in the Senate.

02/11/2021 Referred to [Agriculture and Rural Development Finance and Policy](#)

Means: The Bill was referred to committee.

04/12/2021 Comm report: To pass as amended and re-refer to [Finance](#)

Means: The bill passed the 1st committee with an amendment and was sent to a 2nd committee.

CHRONOLOGICAL:

02/11/2021

Introduction and first reading
Referred to [Agriculture and Rural
Development Finance and Policy](#)

04/12/2021

Comm report: To pass as amended and
re-refer to [Finance](#)

SEPARATED:

04/13/2021 Comm report: To pass as amended

Means: The bill passed the 2nd committee with an amendment.

04/13/2021 Second reading

Means: The bill had a 2nd reading in the Senate.

04/14/2021 Special Order: Amended

Means: The committee amendment was adopted by the Senate. Special order is the type of calendar it was placed on. Special Order bills are considered priority bills and can be quickly debated, amended, given a 3rd reading and pass.

04/14/2021 Third reading Passed

Means: The bill passed the Senate. Next, look under House to continue to follow the bill.

04/15/2021 Received from Senate

Means: House acknowledged receipt of bill.

04/15/2021 Senate file first reading, referred for comparison HF1524

Means: The bill had a 1st reading in the Senate. The bill was compared to its companion bill.

CHRONOLOGICAL:

04/13/2021

Comm report: To pass as amended
Second reading

04/14/2021

Special Order: Amended
Third reading Passed

04/15/2021

Received from Senate
Senate file first reading, referred for
comparison HF1524

SEPARATED:

04/16/2021 Bills not identical, SF substituted on General Register

Means: The bill texts for both bills were not the same. The SF was substituted for the HF.

04/16/2021 Second reading

Means: The bill had a 2nd reading in the House.

04/19/2021 House rule 1.21, placed on Calendar for the Day Wednesday, April 21, 2021

Means: The bill was placed on the 3rd reading calendar for Apr 21. Equivalent of General Order or Special Order calendar in Senate.

04/21/2021 Reported to the House

Means: Bill report was sent to the House.

04/21/2021 Motion to lay on the table

Means: A motion was made to lay the bill on the table, postponing it until later.

04/21/2021 Motion prevailed

Means: The motion passed and the bill was tabled.

CHRONOLOGICAL:

04/16/2021

Bills not identical, SF substituted on
General Register
Second reading

04/19/2021

House rule 1.21, placed on Calendar for
the Day Wednesday, April 21, 2021

04/21/2021

Reported to the House
Motion to lay on the table
Motion prevailed

SEPARATED:

04/22/2021 Motion to take from table

Means: There was a motion to remove the bill from the table so it can be considered further.

04/22/2021 Motion prevailed

Means: The motion passed and the bill was removed from the table.

04/22/2021 Amended

Means: The House amended the bill.

04/22/2021 Third reading as amended

Means: The bill was read for a 3rd time with the amendment.

04/22/2021 Bill was passed as amended

Means: The bill passed the House with amendments.

04/22/2021 Senate refuses to concur, conference committee of 5 requested

04/22/2021 Senate conferees Westrom, Dornink, Goggin, Anderson, Murphy

Means: Senate did not concur, or agree with, the House amendments. It requested a conference committee to work out the differences and appointed its members.

CHRONOLOGICAL:

04/22/2021

Motion to take from table
Motion prevailed

Amended

Third reading as amended

Bill was passed as amended

Senate refuses to concur, conference
committee of 5 requested
Senate conferees Westrom, Dornink,
Goggin, Anderson, Murphy

SEPARATED:

04/22/2021 House accedes, conference committee of 5 to be appointed

04/22/2021 House conferees Sundin; Vang; Pelowski; Lippert; Nelson, N.

Means: House agrees to the conference committee and appoints its members.

05/17/2021 Conference committee report, delete everything

Means: Conference committee decided to delete all House amendments from the bill and sent a report to the House and Senate.

05/17/2021 Senate adopted CC report and repassed bill

Means: The Senate approved the conference committee changes and repassed the bill without them.

05/17/2021 Third reading

Means: Bill had 3rd reading in the Senate.

05/17/2021 House adopted conference committee report

Means: The House approved the conference committee changes.

CHRONOLOGICAL:

House accedes, conference committee of 5 to be appointed
House conferees Sundin; Vang; Pelowski; Lippert; Nelson, N.

04/26/2021

House conferees Sundin; Vang; Pelowski; Lippert; Nelson, N.

05/17/2021

Conference committee report, delete everything

Senate adopted CC report and repassed bill

Third reading

House adopted conference committee report

SEPARATED:

05/17/2021	Third reading as amended by Conference
05/17/2021	Bill was repassed as amended by Conference

Means: Bill had a 3rd reading and passed the House as amended.

05/17/2021	House adopted SCC report and repassed bill
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Means: Senate reporting of the House adopting the report.

Presented to Governor 05/21/2021

Presentment date 05/21/2021

Means: Bill was sent to the Governor for signing.

Governor's action Approval 05/25/2021

Secretary of State Chapter 28 05/25/2021
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Effective date Sec. 1-4, 6-22, 25-26 08/01/21; Sec. 5 03/31/21 (retroactive); Sec. 23-24 05/26/21

Governor approval 05/25/2021

Secretary of State, Filed 05/25/2021

Chapter number 28

Means: Bill was signed into law and given a chapter number. 28 means it's the 28th bill that became law. The effective date is different depending on the section.

CHRONOLOGICAL:

Third reading as amended by Conference
 Bill was repassed as amended by Conference

House adopted SCC report and repassed bill

Final Actions

Presentment date 05/21/2021

Presented to Governor 05/21/2021

Governor's action Approval 05/25/2021
 Secretary of State Chapter 28
 05/25/2021
 Effective date Sec. 1-4, 6-22, 25-26
 08/01/21; Sec. 5 03/31/21
 (retroactive); Sec. 23-24 05/26/21

Governor approval 05/25/2021
 Secretary of State, Filed 05/25/2021
 Chapter number 28

MISSISSIPPI

Example: HB 72 from 2021

1 01/07 (H) Referred To Public Health and Human Services;Judiciary A

Means: The bill was introduced in the House (H), had a 1st reading (status doesn't list this step), had a 2nd reading (status doesn't list this step) where it was sent to 2 committees. The first is Public Health and Human Services.

2 01/26 (H) DR - TSDP: PH To JA

Means: The 1st committee Public Health (PH) passed the bill and sent to the 2nd committee Judiciary A (JA). TSDP = Title stuff do pass, which means it was passed with no changes. DR is likely do report from committee.

3 01/28 (H) DR - TSDP: JA To PH

Means: Judiciary A (JA) passed the bill (TSDP) without amendment and sent it back to Public Health (PH). NOTE: When a bill is sent to 2 committees, the chair of the 1st handles it on the full House or Senate floor.

4 01/28 (H) Title Suff Do Pass

Means: Bill passed both committees with no amendments. This is the official committee recommendation to the House.

5 02/10 (H) Passed {Vote}

Means: The bill passed the House.

6 02/10 (H) Motion to Reconsider Entered (Mims, McGee, Young)

Means: 3 legislators made a motion to reconsider the vote and vote again.

7 02/11 (H) Motion to Reconsider Tabled

Means: The motion was tabled and did not pass.

8 02/11 (H) Transmitted To Senate

Means: The House sent the bill to the Senate.

9 02/16 (S) Referred To Judiciary, Division A

Means: The bill was introduced in the Senate (S), had a 1st reading (status doesn't list this step) and had a 2nd reading (status doesn't list this step) where it was sent to committee.

10 02/25 (S) Title Suff Do Pass

Means: The bill passed the committee without changes.

11 03/04 (S) Passed {Vote}

Means: The bill passed the Senate.

12 03/08 (S) Motion to Reconsider Entered

Means: A legislator made a motion to reconsider the vote and vote again.

13 03/11 (S) Motion to Reconsider Tabled

Means: The Senate tabled the motion and continued to pass the bill.

14 03/11 (S) Returned For Enrolling

Means: The Senate returned the bill to the House for enrolling, which means it is finalized and checked for accuracy.

15 03/11 (H) Enrolled Bill Signed

Means: The leader of the House signed the bill verifying its accuracy and that it passed.

16 03/12 (S) Enrolled Bill Signed

Means: The leader of the Senate signed the bill verifying it.

17 03/17 Approved by Governor

Means: The bill was signed into law.

Background Information:

Disposition: Law

Deadline: General Bill/Constitutional Amendment

Revenue: No

Vote type required: Majority

Effective date: July 1, 2021

Chapter Number: 329

Means: The background information shows the disposition (became a law), effective date and chapter number. This bill is the 329th bill passed.

MISSOURI

Example: SB 71 from 2021

12/1/2020	Prefiled
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Means: The bill was filed before the legislature convened.

1/6/2021	S First Read
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Means: After the legislature convened, the bill had a 1st reading in the Senate by tile only.

1/14/2021	Second Read and Referred S Agriculture, Food Production and Outdoor Resources Committee
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Means: The bill had a 2nd reading in the Senate and was referred to committee.

2/15/2021	Hearing Cancelled S Agriculture, Food Production and Outdoor Resources Committee
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Means: A hearing was scheduled but then cancelled by committee.

2/22/2021	Hearing Conducted S Agriculture, Food Production and Outdoor Resources Committee
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Means: A public committee hearing was completed for the bill.

3/1/2021	SCS Voted Do Pass S Agriculture, Food Production and Outdoor Resources Committee (1081S.02C)
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Means: The bill passed committee with a substitute bill. SCS = Senate committee substitute.

3/4/2021	Reported from S Agriculture, Food Production and Outdoor Resources Committee w/SCS
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Means: The committee report and bill were sent back to the Senate.

4/13/2021	SS for SCS S offered & adopted (Gannon)-(1081S.03F)
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Means: A substitute (SS) to the committee substitute (SCS) was introduced on the Senate floor and approved. SS = Senate substitute.

4/13/2021	Perfected
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Means: All approved substitutes and amendments have been added to the bill.

4/14/2021	Reported Truly Perfected S Rules, Joint Rules, Resolutions and Ethics Committee
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Means: The listed committee reviewed the bill for accuracy and determined the substitutes and any amendments were correctly added to the bill (Truly perfected).

4/15/2021	S Third Read and Passed
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Means: Bill had a 3rd reading in the Senate and passed.

4/15/2021	H First Read
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Means: Bill had a 1st reading in the House (H) by title.

4/19/2021	H Second Read
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Means: Bill had a 2nd reading in the House.

4/19/2021	Referred H Crime Prevention
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Means: Bill was sent to a House committee.

4/21/2021	Hearing Conducted H Crime Prevention
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Means: A committee hearing on the bill took place.

4/22/2021	HCS Voted Do Pass H Crime Prevention
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Means: The bill passed committee with a substitute. HCS = House Committee Substitute.

4/27/2021	Committee vote reconsidered
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Means: The committee reconsidered its vote.

4/27/2021	HCS Voted Do Pass H Crime Prevention
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Means: The committee again voted to pass the bill with a substitute after its 2nd vote.

4/27/2021	HCS Reported Do Pass H Crime Prevention
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Means: The committee sent its report and the bill back to the full House.

4/27/2021	Referred H Rules - Administrative Oversight
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Means: In the House, bills that pass committee go to the Rules – Administrative Oversight committee which determines whether debate on the bill will be limited.

4/28/2021	HCS Voted Do Pass H Rules - Administrative Oversight
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Means: The rules committee approved the House committee substitute (HCS).

4/28/2021	HCS Reported Do Pass H Rules - Administrative Oversight
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Means: The report and bill were sent back to the House.

5/3/2021	Bill Placed on Informal Calendar
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Means: Bills are placed and kept on a formal calendar in order until heard. If a bill reaches the top of the formal calendar and is not heard, it is placed on an informal calendar where it can be heard at any time.

5/3/2021	HA 1 to HCS H offered & adopted (Coleman-97)-(1081H05.09H)
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Means: An amendment (HA) to the committee substitute (HCS) was introduced in the full House and approved. HA = House Amendment.

5/3/2021	HCS, as amended, H adopted
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Means: The committee substitute (HCS) as amended by the full House was adopted.

5/3/2021	H Third Read and Passed
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Means: Bill had a 3rd reading in the House and passed.

5/3/2021	S concurs in HCS, as amended
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Means: Since the House passed amendments to the bill, the changes have to be approved by the Senate. The Senate (S) concurred in, or approved, the amended committee substitute (HCS).

5/3/2021	S Third Read and Passed
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Means: The Senate had a 3rd reading of the bill with the changes and passed it.

5/3/2021	Truly Agreed To and Finally Passed
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Means: Both chambers agreed on the bill and passed it.

5/5/2021	Reported Duly Enrolled Rules, Joint Rules, Resolutions & Ethics Committee
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Means: The Rules, Joint Rules, Resolutions & Ethics Committees reviews all bills Truly Agreed to and Finally Passed to ensure that all amendments and substitutes are properly added to the bill. Reported duly enrolled means the committee found the changes to be correctly added.

5/25/2021	Signed by Senate President Pro Tem
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Means: The bill was signed by the leader of the Senate verifying it passed and is accurate.

5/25/2021	Signed by House Speaker
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Means: Bill was signed the leader of the House verifying it.

5/25/2021	Delivered to Governor
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Means: Bill was sent to the Governor for signing.

6/29/2021	Signed by Governor
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Means: Bill was signed into law.

MONTANA

Example: HB 641 from 2021

NOTE: Montana bill status follows the bill from the time the legislator requests a bill, so the first several entries are before the bill is even introduced in the legislature. Before introduction, it is known as a bill draft.

(C) Draft Request Received	01/18/2021			
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Means: The legislator requested a bill to be drafted. NOTE: In MT, the Legislative Services Division is responsible for drafting the text of all bills. If drafted by a department of state government or legal council of private citizens, the Legislative Services Division redrafts it.

(C) Draft to Requester for Review	03/01/2021			
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Means: After a bill is requested, a bill draft is written and sent to the legislator that requested it to review.

(C) Draft in Legal Review	03/10/2021			
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Means: After being drafted, the bill has to be reviewed to make sure it is legal.

(C) Draft in Edit	03/10/2021			
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Means: Changes are being made to the bill draft.

(C) Draft to Drafter - Edit Review [CMD]	03/10/2021			
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Means: The changes were reviewed.

(C) Draft in Input/Proofing	03/10/2021			
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Means: The draft was proofread.

(C) Draft in Final Drafter Review	03/11/2021			
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Means: The draft is getting a final review.

(C) Bill Draft Text Available Electronically	03/11/2021			
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Means: The bill draft is available online.

(C) Executive Director Review	03/11/2021			
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Means: The Executive Director reviews the bill next.

(C) Draft in Assembly	03/11/2021			
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Means: The bill was sent to the House (Assembly).

(C) Draft Ready for Delivery	03/12/2021			
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Means: The draft is ready to be sent to the requester.

(C) Executive Director Final Review	03/12/2021			
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Means: The Executive Director gave one last review of it.

(C) Draft Ready for Delivery	03/12/2021			
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
Means: The draft is ready to be sent to the requester.

(C) Draft Delivered to Requester	03/12/2021			
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Means: The final draft was given back to the legislator or committee that requested it so it can be introduced in the legislator.

(H) Introduced	03/15/2021			
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Means: Bill was introduced in the House.

(C) Introduced Bill Text Available Electronically 	03/15/2021			
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Means: Bill text is now available online.

(H) Referred to Committee	03/16/2021			(H) Judiciary
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Means: Bill was sent to committee (Judiciary).

(H) First Reading	03/16/2021			
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Means: Bill had a 1st reading in the House where the title was posted.

(H) Hearing	03/31/2021			(H) Judiciary  
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Means: Bill had a hearing in committee.

(H) Committee Executive Action--Bill Passed	03/31/2021	<u>19</u>	<u>0</u>	(H) Judiciary
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Means: Bill passed committee.

(H) Committee Report--Bill Passed	03/31/2021			(H) Judiciary
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Means: The committee report and bill were sent back to the House.

(H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading	04/01/2021			
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Means: The bill was placed on the calendar for a 2nd reading.

(H) 2nd Reading Passed	04/01/2021	<u>98</u>	<u>1</u>	 
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Means: The bill passed 2nd reading.

(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading	04/06/2021			
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Means: Bill was placed on the calendar for a 3rd reading.

(H) 3rd Reading Passed	04/06/2021	<u>95</u>	<u>1</u>	
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Means: Bill passed the House.

(H) Transmitted to Senate	04/06/2021			
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Means: Bill was sent to the Senate.

(S) First Reading	04/06/2021			
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Means: Bill had a 1st reading in the Senate by title.

(S) Referred to Committee	04/06/2021			(S) Judiciary
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Means: Bill was sent to Judiciary.

(S) Hearing	04/13/2021			(S) Judiciary  
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Means: Bill had a hearing in committee.

(S) Committee Executive Action--Bill Concurred	04/13/2021	<u>11</u>	<u>0</u>	(S) Judiciary
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Means: In the 2nd chamber (Senate in this case), all committee reports are listed as concurred or not concurred with the bill. In this case, the bill passed committee.

(S) Committee Report--Bill Concurred	04/13/2021			(S) Judiciary
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Means: The committee sent their report and bill back to the Senate.

(S) Scheduled for 2nd Reading	04/21/2021			
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Means: Bill was placed on the calendar for a 2nd reading.

(S) 2nd Reading Concurred	04/21/2021	<u>50</u>	<u>0</u>	 
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Means: Bill had a 2nd reading and passed it (concurred). Again, since this is the 2nd chamber, they are just concurring or not concurring with the bill.

(S) Scheduled for 3rd Reading	04/22/2021			
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Means: Bill was placed on the calendar for a 3rd reading.

(S) 3rd Reading Concurred	04/22/2021	<u>50</u>	<u>0</u>	
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Means: The bill passed the Senate.

(S) Returned to House	04/22/2021			
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Means: Bill was sent back to the House.

(H) Sent to Enrolling	04/22/2021			
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Means: Bill was sent out to be finalized and make sure all changes are correct.

(H) Returned from Enrolling	04/26/2021			
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Means: Bill was enrolled or finalized.

(C) Printed - Enrolled Version Available 	04/26/2021			
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Means: The enrolled bill text was posted online.

(H) Signed by Speaker	04/28/2021			
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Means: The bill was signed by the leader of the House to verify it passed and is correct.

(S) Signed by President	04/28/2021			
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Means: Bill was signed by the leader of the Senate to verify it passed.

(H) Transmitted to Governor	04/29/2021			
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Means: Bill was sent to the governor for signing.

Chapter Number Assigned	05/07/2021			
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(H) Signed by Governor	05/07/2021			
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Chapter Number: 415  

Means: The bill was assigned into law and given a chapter number. Chapter number can be found above the bill status.

NEBRASKA

Example: LB 572 from 2021

NOTE: LB is Legislative Bill since NE only has one chamber.

Jan 19, 2021	Date of introduction	255
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Means: Bill was introduced in the legislature.

Jan 22, 2021	Referred to Agriculture Committee	309
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Means: Bill was sent to committee.

Jan 27, 2021	Notice of hearing for February 09, 2021	328
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Means: A committee hearing was scheduled on the bill.

Mar 04, 2021	Placed on General File with AM410	527
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Means: The bill passed committee with amendment (AM410). AM = amendment. The bill and amendment were scheduled on the General File. The General File is where the bill is discussed in the full legislature and amendments can be added. During this time, it is not unusual to see several amendments filed and then acted on.

Mar 04, 2021	Agriculture AM410 filed	527
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Means: The Agriculture committee amendment was filed for debate.

Mar 10, 2021	Erdman AM484 filed	565
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Means: A legislator (Erdman) introduced a new amendment (AM 484).

Mar 11, 2021	Agriculture priority bill	576
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Means: The bill became listed as a priority bill which means it is acted on before non-priority bills.

Mar 22, 2021	Erdman AM484 withdrawn	720
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Means: The legislator (Erdman) withdrew their amendment (AM484) from consideration.

Mar 22, 2021	Erdman AM686 filed	720
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Means: Legislator Erdman filed a new amendment (AM686).

Mar 22, 2021	Erdman AM686 adopted	721	Vote
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Means: The new amendment (AM686) by Erdman was adopted by the legislature.

Mar 22, 2021	Agriculture AM410 adopted	722	Vote
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Means: The Agriculture amendment (AM410) was adopted by the legislature.

Mar 22, 2021	Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial	722	Vote
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Means: Bills are sent to Enrollment and Review to have adopted amendments added to them and review them for accuracy. Initial means that the legislature just finished its first round of debate.

Mar 29, 2021	Placed on Select File with ER29	769
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Means: Select File means the bill is scheduled for a 2nd round of debate and a vote. ER29 is the Enrollment & Review updated bill version that includes all adopted amendments so far.

Mar 29, 2021

Enrollment and Review ER29 filed

769

Means: The updated Enrollment and Review bill with amendments (ER29) was filed for the 2nd debate.

Mar 30, 2021

Halloran AM813 filed

801

Means: Legislator Halloran introduced a new amendment (AM813). Halloran is the sponsor.

Apr 20, 2021

Attorney General Opinion 21-007 to Halloran

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ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OPINION

Opinion 21-007

SUBJECT: Application of the Legislative Approval Requirement in Neb. Const. art. IV, § 10, to the Governor's Appointment of Members of the Nebraska Brand Committee (LB 572) (AM686)

REQUESTED BY: Senator Steve Halloran
Nebraska Legislature

WRITTEN BY: Douglas J. Peterson, Attorney General
L. Jay Bartel, Assistant Attorney General

INTRODUCTION

Currently, the Nebraska Brand Committee "consist[s] of five members appointed by the Governor." Neb. Rev. Stat. § 54-191(1) (Cum. Supp. 2020). You introduced an amendment to LB 572, recently adopted on General File, which would amend this statute to provide that appointees to the Nebraska Brand Committee are "subject to confirmation by the Legislature." AM686. In connection with this pending legislation, you have requested our opinion on three questions relating to the appointment of members of the Nebraska Brand Committee and the application of the appointment powers granted the Governor in Neb. Const. art. IV, § 10. Your specific questions are:

Means: Legislator Halloran had a question to the Attorney General about the amendment and its legality. Above is part of the question.

Apr 21, 2021 Stinner AM875 filed 1071

Means: Legislator Stinner filed a new amendment (AM875).

Apr 26, 2021 Brandt FA30 filed 1129

Means: Legislator Brandt filed an amendment. FA means this is a floor amendment. In this case, it amends Stinner's amendment AM875.

Apr 27, 2021 Erdman AM1154 filed 1167

Means: Legislator Erdman filed another amendment AM1154.

May 10, 2021 Enrollment and Review ER29 adopted 1358

Means: The legislature adopted the Enrollment and Review bill version ER29.

May 10, 2021 Halloran AM813 adopted 1358 Vote

Means: Legislator Halloran's amendment AM813 was adopted.

May 10, 2021 Stinner AM875 withdrawn 1358

Means: Stinner withdrew amendment AM875 from consideration.

May 10, 2021 Brandt FA30 withdrawn 1358

Means: Brandt withdrew amendment FA30.

May 10, 2021	Erdman AM1154 withdrawn	1358
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Means: Erdman withdrew amendment AM1154 from consideration.

May 10, 2021	Advanced to Enrollment and Review for Engrossment	1358
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Means: The bill was sent back to Enrollment and Review to add all the new amendments to it and review to make sure it is correct.

May 18, 2021	Placed on Final Reading with ST26	1462
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Means: The bill was placed on the final reading calendar. ST26 is the updated Enrollment & Review version of the bill.

May 18, 2021	Stinner AM1213 filed	1466
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Means: Legislator Stinner filed a new amendment AM1213.

May 19, 2021	Motion to return to Select File failed	1526	Vote
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Means: A motion was made to send the bill back to Select File. After the final enrollment & review, a bill must be placed back on Select File for a new amendment to be discussed and voted on. In this case, the motion to return the bill to Select File failed.

May 19, 2021	Stinner AM1213 not considered	1526
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Means: Since the bill was not returned to Select File, the new amendment could not be considered.

May 20, 2021	Dispensing of reading at large approved	1613
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Means: All bills on final reading must be read aloud in their entirety before voting unless the legislature overrides it. The legislature agreed to skip the reading.

May 20, 2021	Passed on Final Reading 47-1-1	1613	Vote
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Means: The bill passed the legislature. Remember that NE has no House and Senate, so once it passes it is ready for the governor.

May 20, 2021	President/Speaker signed	1623
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Means: The leaders of the legislature signed the bill verifying it passed and is accurate.

May 20, 2021	Presented to Governor on May 20, 2021	1625
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Means: Bill was sent to governor for signing.

May 26, 2021	Approved by Governor on May 25, 2021	1693
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Means: The bill was signed into law.

NEVADA

Example: AB 200 from 2021

NOTE: The bill status lists whether the bill was discussed on either the House (Assembly) or Senate floor.

Mar 04, 2021	Read first time. Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor. To printer.	Assembly: Journal Senate: Not discussed
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Means: The bill had a first reading in the House (Assembly) and was referred to committee. It was also sent out to be printed.

Mar 05, 2021	From printer. To committee.	Assembly: No Floor Session Senate: No Floor Session
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Means: The bill was printed and sent to committee.

Apr 19, 2021	From committee: Amend, and do pass as amended. Placed on Second Reading File. Read second time. Amended. (Amend. No. 124.) To printer.	Assembly: Journal Senate: Not discussed
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Means: The bill passed committee with amendment (do pass as amended). The bill was then placed on the 2nd reading File and read a 2nd time. The amendment was adopted (amended). Since the bill was amended, it was sent out to print the amendments.

Apr 20, 2021	From printer. To engrossment. Engrossed. First reprint. Read third time. Passed, as amended. Title approved, as amended. (Yeas: 40, Nays: 2.) To Senate.	Assembly: Journal Senate: Not discussed
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Means: Amendments were printed. It was then sent to engrossment to have the amendments added to the bill. It was then reprinted (1st reprint). The reprinted version was read a 3rd time. It then passed the House as amended and was sent to the Senate.

Apr 21, 2021	In Senate. Read first time. Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor. To committee.	Assembly: No Floor Session Senate: Journal
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Means: The bill had a 1st reading in the Senate and was sent to committee.

May 18, 2021

From committee: Amend, and do pass as amended. Placed on Second Reading File. Read second time. Amended. (Amend. No. 556.) To printer.

Assembly: Not discussed
Senate: **Journal**

Means: The bill passed committee with an amendment (556). It was placed on the Second Reading File and given a 2nd reading in the Senate. The amendment was adopted and sent to the printer for printing.

May 19, 2021

From printer. To re-engrossment. Re-engrossed. Second reprint. Taken from General File. Placed on General File for next legislative day.

Assembly: Not discussed
Senate: **Journal**

Means: The amendment was printed out. Then, the bill was sent for re-engrossment to add the new amendment to it. It had a Second reprint with the new amendment. Then the bill was placed on the General File for a 3rd reading. The bill was not heard that day, so it was placed on the calendar for the next legislative day (next day the Senate meets).

May 20, 2021

Read third time. Passed, as amended. Title approved, as amended. (Yeas: 20, Nays: None, Excused: 1.) To Assembly.

Assembly: Not discussed
Senate: **Journal**

Means: The bill had a 3rd reading and passed the Senate with the amendments, including a change to the title. It was sent to the Assembly (House) for approval.

May 21, 2021

In Assembly.

Assembly: **Journal**
Senate: Not discussed

Means: The bill was received in the Assembly (House).

May 25, 2021

Senate Amendment No. 556 concurred in. To enrollment.

Assembly: **Journal**
Senate: Not discussed

Means: The House concurred, or agreed with the Senate amendment. It was then sent to enrollment to be finalized and reviewed.

May 27, 2021

Enrolled and delivered to Governor.

Assembly: Not discussed

Senate: Not discussed

Means: The bill was enrolled or finalized and sent to the Governor for signing.

May 28, 2021

Approved by the Governor. Chapter 186.

Assembly: Not discussed

Senate: Not discussed

Means: The bill was signed into law and given a chapter number. This is the 186th bill to become law that year.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Example: HB 174 from 2021

Abbreviations: http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/bill_status/legacy/bs2016/docket_abbrev.htm

NOTE: NH updated its website and changed its bill docket format. The text is the same, but it no longer has the color coding for House and Senate. This report uses the new version.

H Introduced (in recess of) 01/06/2021 and referred to Transportation HJ 2 P. 38

Means: The bill was introduced in the House and sent to committee. HJ is the House Journal page.

H Public Hearing: 02/05/2021 10:30 am Members of the public may attend using the following link: To join the webinar: <https://www.zoom.us/j/92807074926> / Executive session on pending legislation may be held throughout the day (time permitting) from the time the committee is initially convened.

Means: The committee scheduled a webinar public hearing. States that an executive session may be held at any time during the day. Executive session is where the committee discusses the bill and votes on it.

H Executive Session: 02/19/2021 02:00 pm Members of the public may attend using the following link: To join the webinar: <https://www.zoom.us/j/98257633759>

Means: An executive session of the bill was scheduled on Feb 19 to discuss and possibly vote on the bill.

H Committee Report: Ought to Pass (Vote 19-0; CC) HC 18 P. 24

Means: The bill passed committee with an ought to pass vote. Its report along with the bill were sent to the House. HC is House Calendar.

H Ought to Pass: MA VV 04/07/2021 HJ 5 P. 47

Means: The bill passed the House (ought to pass). MA is motion adopted. VV is voice vote where they verbally give their vote.

H Reconsider (Rep. Osborne): MF VV 04/07/2021 HJ 5 P. 50

Means: Legislator Osborne made a motion to reconsider the vote but it failed. MF means the motion failed. VV is voice vote.

S Introduced 04/01/2021 and Referred to Transportation; SJ 11

Means: The bill was introduced in the Senate and sent to committee. SJ = Senate Journal.

S Remote Hearing: 04/13/2021, 01:15 pm; Links to join the hearing can be found in the Senate Calendar; SC 19

Means: The bill had a remote hearing in committee.

S Committee Report: Ought to Pass with Amendment # 2021-1133S, 04/22/2021; Vote 5-0; CC; SC 20

Means: The bill passed committee with amendment. The report and bill were sent to the Senate. CC means the bill was placed on the consent calendar.

S Sen. Giuda Moved to Remove HB 174 from the Consent Calendar; 04/22/2021; SJ 12

Means: A Senator made a motion to remove the bill from the calendar.

S Committee Amendment # 2021-1133S, RC 24Y-0N, AA; 04/22/2021; SJ 12

Means: Senate adopted the committee amendment. RC is the roll call vote where they called each legislator and took their vote (24 yes – 0 no). AA means amendment adopted.

S Ought to Pass with Amendment 2021-1133S, RC 20Y-4N, MA; OT3rdg; 04/22/2021; SJ 12

Means: Senate passed the bill with the amendment. RC means another roll call vote. MA = motion adopted. OT3rdg = Ought to pass 3rd reading

H House Concurs with Senate Amendment 2021-1133S (Rep. Walsh); MA VV 06/10/2021 HJ 10 P. 19

Means: House approved the Senate amendment. MA = motion accepted. VV – voice vote.

S Enrolled Adopted. VV. (In recess 06/24/2021); SJ 20

Means: Bill was finalized or enrolled. The enrolled bill was adopted by voice vote.

H Enrolled (in recess of) 06/24/2021

Means: Enrolled bill was approved.

H Signed by Governor Sununu 07/28/2021; Chapter 154; Eff: 01/01/2022

Means: The bill was signed into law and given a chapter number and effective date. 154 means it is the 154th bill passed.

NEW JERSEY

Example: A 208 from 2022

1/11/2022 Introduced, Referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee

Means: Bill was introduced in House (Assembly) and sent to committee.

2/7/2022 Reported out of Assembly Committee, 2nd Reading

Means: The bill passed committee with no amendments. Reported out means the report and bill were sent back to the House. It then had a 2nd reading in the entire House.

3/24/2022 Passed by the Assembly (75-0-0)

Means: Bill passed the House/Assembly.

3/24/2022 Received in the Senate without Reference, 2nd Reading

Means: The bill was received in the Senate. Without reference means it did not get sent to a committee. It had a 2nd reading.

3/24/2022 Senate Amendment (36-0) (Beach)

Means: An amendment was introduced on the Senate floor. Beach is the author. (36-0) means it was approved by the Senate with a vote of 36-0.

3/24/2022 Substituted for S1290

Means: In NJ, once a bill reaches the status of its companion bill (i.e. in same committee or on the same chamber floor), one is often substituted for the other. In this case, they decided to keep the House bill.

3/24/2022 Passed by the Senate (37-0)

Means: Bill passed the Senate (with the amendment approved earlier).

3/24/2022 Received in the Assembly, 2nd Reading on Concurrence

Means: The bill was received in the House. It had a 2nd reading to concur, or agree with, with the Senate amendments.

3/24/2022 Passed Assembly (Passed Both Houses) (72-0-0)

Means: The changes passed the House with 72 yes votes.

3/25/2022 Approved P.L.2022, c.5.

Means: Bill was signed into law and given a chapter number. PL = public law. 2022 = year approved. C.5. = Chapter 5.

NEW MEXICO

Example: SB 32 from 2021

Abbreviations: https://www.nmlegis.gov/Legislation/Action_Abbreviations

NOTE: NM doesn't provide a lot of details on their bill status.

Legislative Day: 1
Calendar Day: 01/19/2021
Sent to SCONC - Referrals: SCONC/SJC

Means: Bill was sent to committee. It will be sent to 2 committees total. SCONC = Senate Conservation. SJC = Senate Judiciary.

Legislative Day: 3
Calendar Day: 02/10/2021
SCONC: Reported by committee with Do Pass recommendation with amendment(s)

Means: Bill passed Conservation with an amendment and was sent to the 2nd committee.

Legislative Day: 12
Calendar Day: 03/08/2021
SJC: Reported by committee with Do Pass recommendation with amendment(s)

Means: The bill passed Judiciary with amendments.

Legislative Day: 12
Calendar Day: 03/09/2021
Senate Floor Amendment

Means: An amendment was introduced and adopted on the floor.

Legislative Day: 12
Calendar Day: 03/09/2021
Passed in the Senate - Y:23 N:16

Means: The bill with amendments passed the Senate.

Legislative Day: 12
Calendar Day: 03/10/2021
Sent to HENRC - Referrals: HENRC

Means: The bill was sent to committee. HENRC = House Energy, Environment & Natural Resources.

Legislative Day: 14
Calendar Day: 03/14/2021
HENRC: Reported by committee with Do Pass recommendation

Means: Bill passed the House committee without amendments.

Legislative Day: 15
Calendar Day: 03/19/2021
Passed in the House of Representatives - Y:35 N:34

Means: Bill barely passed the House with no changes.

Signed by Governor - Chapter 25 - Apr. 5

Means: Since the House made no amendments, the bill was sent to the Governor, who signed it into law. It was given a chapter number. 25 means it is the 25th bill to become law.

NEW YORK

Example: S1463A from 2021

NOTE: In NY, amended bills are given a letter at the end of the bill number (A = 1st amendment, B = 2nd amendment, etc.).

Bill Status on Assembly Site

Bill Status on Senate Site

01/12/2021 REFERRED TO RACING, GAMING AND WAGERING

Jan 12, 2021

REFERRED TO RACING, GAMING AND WAGERING

Means: The bill was referred to Senate committee. Note: If the bill was carried into the 2nd year, it would be referred to committee again. In this case, there would be a referred to racing, gaming and wagering with a 2022 date as well.

01/19/2021 1ST REPORT CAL.88

Jan 19, 2021

1ST REPORT CAL.88

Means: The bill passed committee and was placed on the calendar for a 1st reading in the Senate. 88 is just the calendar number.

01/20/2021 2ND REPORT CAL.

Jan 20, 2021

2ND REPORT CAL.

Means: Bill had a 1st reading and was placed on the calendar for a 2nd reading.

01/25/2021 ADVANCED TO THIRD READING

Jan 25, 2021

ADVANCED TO THIRD READING

Means: Bill had a 2nd reading and was placed on the calendar for a 3rd reading.

02/01/2021 PASSED SENATE

PASSED SENATE

Means: Bill passed the Senate.

02/01/2021 DELIVERED TO ASSEMBLY

DELIVERED TO ASSEMBLY

Means: Bill was sent to Assembly (House).

02/01/2021 referred to racing and wagering

Feb 01, 2021

Referred To Racing And Wagering

Means: Bill was referred to committee in the Assembly (House).

02/22/2021 RECALLED FROM ASSEMBLY

RECALLED FROM ASSEMBLY

Means: The Senate recalled, or requested the bill be sent back to it. This is usually so they can amend it or reconsider the vote.

02/22/2021 returned to senate

Returned To Senate

Means: The bill was sent back to the Senate.

02/22/2021 VOTE RECONSIDERED - RESTORED TO THIRD READING

Feb 22, 2021

VOTE RECONSIDERED - RESTORED TO THIRD READING

Means: In this case, it was to reconsider the vote. It was sent back to 3rd reading to be voted on again.

02/22/2021 AMENDED ON THIRD READING 1463A

Feb 22, 2021

AMENDED ON THIRD READING 1463A

Means: The bill had an amendment introduced and passed. Amendments are shown as the bill number plus the next letter available. A = 1st amendment.

03/02/2021 REPASSED SENATE

REPASSED SENATE

Means: The bill passed the Senate again with the amendment.

03/02/2021 RETURNED TO ASSEMBLY

RETURNED TO ASSEMBLY

Means: The bill was sent back to the Assembly again.

03/02/2021 referred to ways and means

Mar 02, 2021

Referred To Ways And Means

Means: The bill was sent to Assembly (House) committee. In this case, a new one. It was sent to the committee the Assembly (House) bill was in: Ways and Means.

05/25/2021 substituted for a4509

Substituted For A4509

Means: It passed committee and replaced the Assembly (House) bill.

05/25/2021 ordered to third reading rules cal.110

Ordered To Third Reading Rules Cal.110

Means: The bill was placed on the 3rd reading calendar.

05/25/2021 passed assembly

Passed Assembly

Means: Bill passed the Assembly (House).

05/25/2021 returned to senate

May 25, 2021

Returned To Senate

Means: The bill was sent back to the Senate.

06/24/2021 DELIVERED TO GOVERNOR

Jun 24, 2021

DELIVERED TO GOVERNOR

Means: Since there were no Assembly amendments, it was sent to the Governor for signing.

07/01/2021 SIGNED CHAP.211

Jul 01, 2021

SIGNED CHAP.211

Means: The bill was signed into law and given a chapter number. 211 means it is the 211th bill to become law that year.

NORTH CAROLINA

Example: S 605 from 2021

4/6/2021	Senate	Filed	DRAFT: DRS45211-TQf-9
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Means: Bill was filed in the Senate. The original draft is listed.

4/7/2021	Senate	Passed 1st Reading	
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Means: Bill had a 1st reading by title only.

4/7/2021	Senate	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	
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Means: Bill was sent to Rules and Operations of the Senate, which assigns bills to regular committees.

4/13/2021	Senate	Withdrawn From Com	
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Means: The bill was withdrawn from committee to be sent to a regular committee.

4/13/2021	Senate	Re-ref to Agriculture, Energy, and Environment. If fav, re-ref to Judiciary. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate	
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Means: The bill will go to 3 committees in the order listed. The first is Agriculture, Energy, and Environment.

5/4/2021	Senate	Reptd Fav Com Substitute	CS: PCS15287-TQ-19
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Means: The 1st committee passed the bill with a substitute (text link listed). Reported means the report and substitute were sent to the Senate.

5/4/2021	Senate	Com Substitute Adopted
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Means: The Senate approved the committee substitute.

5/4/2021	Senate	Re-ref Com On Judiciary
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Means: The substitute bill was sent to the 2nd committee in the list.

5/5/2021	Senate	Reptd Fav Com Substitute	CS: PCS35277-TQ-22
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Means: Bill passed the 2nd committee with another substitute (text link listed). Reported means the report and substitute were sent to the Senate. CS = Committee Substitute.

5/5/2021	Senate	Com Substitute Adopted
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Means: The full Senate approved the 2nd committee substitute.

5/5/2021	Senate	Re-ref Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
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Means: The bill as substituted was sent to the final committee.

5/6/2021	Senate	Reptd Fav
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Means: Bill passed the 3rd committee with no changes. Reptd Fav = Reported Favorable

5/6/2021	Senate	Placed On Cal For 05/10/2021
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Means: The bill was placed on the calendar for a 2nd reading for May 10.

5/10/2021	Senate	Withdrawn From Cal
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Means: It was removed from the calendar, meaning it wasn't heard that day.

5/10/2021	Senate	Placed On Cal For 05/11/2021
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Means: It was placed on the calendar for the next day.

5/11/2021	Senate	Amend Adopted A1	A1: ATQ-32-V-1	PASS: 29-20
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Means: The Senate filed a floor amendment (A1) and passed the amendment only with a vote of 29 ayes and 20 noes. The link to the text of the amendment is listed. Click on the vote to see how each senator voted.

5/11/2021	Senate	Passed 2nd Reading	PASS: 28-21
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Means: The bill passed a 2nd reading.

5/11/2021	Senate	Passed 3rd Reading
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Means: The bill had a 3rd reading and passed the Senate.

5/11/2021	Senate	Engrossed
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Means: Engrossed means all amendments and substitutes adopted are added to the bill. The adopted committee substitutes and floor amendment were added to the bill.

5/12/2021	Senate	Regular Message Sent To House
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Means: The Senate sent the bill and a message of its passage to the House.

5/12/2021	House	Regular Message Received From Senate
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Means: The House received the bill and message.

5/13/2021	House	Passed 1st Reading
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Means: The bill had a 1st reading in the House by title only.

5/13/2021	House	Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
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Means: The bill was sent to Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House for committee assignment.

6/8/2021	House	Withdrawn From Com
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Means: The bill was withdrawn to be sent to regular committee.

6/8/2021	House	Re-ref to the Com on Agriculture, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
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Means: The bill is to be sent to 2 committees in the order listed. The first is Agriculture.

6/23/2021	House	Reptd Fav Com Substitute	CS: PCS35304-TQ-32
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Means: The 1st committee passed the bill with a substitute (link to text listed). Reported means the report and substitute were sent to the House.

6/23/2021	House	Re-ref Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
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Means: The bill was sent to the 2nd and final committee listed.

6/24/2021	House	Reptd Fav
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Means: Bill passed 2nd committee with no changes.

6/24/2021	House	Cal Pursuant Rule 36(b)
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Means: The bill was required to be placed on the calendar for a 2nd reading.

6/24/2021	House	Added to Calendar
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Means: The bill was placed on the calendar for a 2nd reading.

6/24/2021	House	Amend Failed A1	A1: ATQ-53-V-1	FAIL: 47-60
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Means: An amendment (A1) was introduced on the House floor but failed by a vote of 47 ayes and 60 noes.

6/24/2021	House	Passed 2nd Reading	PASS: 75-32
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Means: The bill passed its 2nd reading.

6/24/2021	House	Passed 3rd Reading
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Means: The bill had a 3rd reading and passed the House.

6/24/2021	House	Special Message Sent To Senate
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Means: The House sent the bill and a message of its passage with amendments to the Senate. Special message is because the House needs the Senate to concur in the amendments.

6/25/2021	Senate	Special Message Received For Concurrence in H Com Sub
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Means: The Senate received the message.

6/25/2021	Senate	Placed On Cal For 06/29/2021
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Means: The bill was placed on the calendar in the Senate so it can vote on whether to concur, or approve, of the House changes.

6/29/2021	Senate	Concurred In H Com Sub	PASS: 35-11
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Means: The Senate concurred in, or approved, the House committee substitute.

6/29/2021	Senate	Ordered Enrolled
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Means: The bill was finalized.

6/30/2021		Ratified
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Means: Both the leader of the Senate and leader of the Senate signed the bill verifying it passed.

7/1/2021		Pres. To Gov. 7/1/2021
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Means: The leader of the Senate (President) sent the bill to the governor for signing.

7/2/2021		Ch. SL 2021-78
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7/2/2021		Signed by Gov. 7/2/2021
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Means: The bill was signed into law and given a chapter number. SL = Session Law. 2021 is the year, and 78 means it was the 78th bill to become law that year.

NORTH DAKOTA

Example: SB 2216 from 2021

01/15 Senate Introduced, first reading, referred Agriculture Committee [SJ 205](#)

Means: The bill was introduced in the Senate, had a 1st reading, and was sent to committee.

01/28 Senate Committee Hearing 09:00

Means: A hearing was scheduled for the bill.

01/29 Senate Reported back, do pass, place on calendar 6 0 0 [SJ 328](#)

Means: The bill passed committee with a vote of 6 yes, 0 no, and 0 not voting. It was placed on the calendar for a 2nd reading.

02/01 Senate Second reading, passed, yeas 46 nays 0 [SJ 336](#)

Means: The bill had a 2nd reading and passed the Senate.

02/02 House Received from Senate [HJ 434](#)

Means: House acknowledged receipt of the bill.

02/18 House Introduced, first reading, referred Agriculture Committee [HJ 778](#)

Means: The bill was introduced in the House, had a 1st reading, and was sent to committee.

03/05 House Committee Hearing 09:00

Means: The committee scheduled a hearing.

Reported back amended, do pass, amendment placed on calendar 14 0 0 [HJ 1057](#)

Means: The bill passed committee with amendments. Reported means the bill was sent back to the full House. It was then placed on the calendar to have the amendment approved.

03/08 House Amendment adopted, placed on calendar [HJ 1067](#)

Means: The House approved the amendment and placed it on the calendar for a 2nd reading.

03/11 House Second reading, passed as amended, yeas 91 nays 0 [HJ 1115](#)

Means: The bill had a 2nd reading and then passed the House as amended.

Emergency clause carried [HJ 1115](#)

Means: The House left the emergency clause in the bill to make it take immediate effect.

03/12 Senate Returned to Senate (12) [SJ 844](#)

Means: The bill was sent back to the Senate for approval of the amendments.

04/07 Senate Concurred [SJ 1211](#)

Means: Senate concurred, or approved, of the amendments.

Second reading, passed, yeas 47 nays 0, Emergency clause carried [SJ 1211](#)

Means: The bill had a 2nd reading in the Senate with the amendment and passed the Senate.

04/08 House Signed by Speaker [HJ 1545](#)

Means: The bill was signed by the leader of the House (Speaker) verifying it passed.

04/09	Senate	Signed by President	<u>SJ 1320</u>
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Means: Bill was signed by the leader of the Senate (President) verifying it passed.

	Sent to Governor	<u>SJ 1320</u>
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Means: Bill was sent to the governor for signing.

04/13	Senate	Signed by Governor 04/12	<u>SJ 1429</u>
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04/14		Filed with Secretary Of State 04/13	
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Means: The bill was signed into law and filed with the Secretary of State.

OHIO

Example: SB 28 from 2021

NOTE: In Ohio, the bill status is found on the status, votes and committee activity pages.

1/27/21 Senate Introduced

Means: First, look at the status page. The bill was introduced in the Senate.

2/3/21 Senate Refer to Committee Agriculture and Natural Resources

Means: The bill was sent to a committee, so next look at committee activity to follow the progress. Since this is a Senate committee, the Senate Committees section has the relevant committee status.

Senate Committees

COMMITTEE	DATE	STATUS	BILL TEXT
Agriculture and Natural Resources	February 2, 2021	1st Hearing	

WITNESS	ORGANIZATION	TESTIFYING AS	DOCUMENT
Senator Frank Hoagland	Self	Sponsor	Download

Means: In Ohio, bills often have up to 5 hearings in committee, depending on how popular the bill is. The bill had a 1st committee hearing on Feb 2. 1st hearings are usually for the sponsor to talk about their bill. After the hearing is announced, those who sign up to testify are posted. The witness list has the witness' name, the organization they are testifying on behalf of, if any, and a link to the bill.

COMMITTEE	DATE	STATUS	BILL TEXT
Agriculture and Natural Resources	February 9, 2021	2nd Hearing	Download

WITNESS	ORGANIZATION	TESTIFYING AS	DOCUMENT
		Proponent	Download

Means: The bill then had a 2nd committee hearing on Feb 9. There was 1 person scheduled to testify as a proponent, or in favor, of the bill. **Note: Witness names have been shaded out.**

2/10/21 Senate Reported Agriculture and Natural Resources

Means: The bill passed committee. Reported means the bill and report were sent to the Senate. To see the vote, view the votes tab.

2/10/2021 Senate Favorable Passage Yeas : 6 Nays : 0 [[Show Breakdown](#)]

Means: The Senate committee voted to pass the bill with 6 yeas and 0 nays. Clicking on Show Breakdown will show the votes for each senator. To tell whether it was for a committee or the full chamber, look at the votes. This only has 6 total votes, so it is for a committee.

2/17/21 Senate Passed

Means: The bill then passed the Senate.

2/17/2021 Senate Passed Yeas : 33 Nays : 0 [[Show Breakdown](#)]

Means: Look at the vote tab to see the votes on the bill.

2/24/21

House

Refer to Committee

Agriculture and Conservation

Means: Going back to status page, the bill was sent to a House committee. See committee activity to follow its progress in committee. Since it is a House committee, look under House Committees.

House Committees

COMMITTEE	DATE	STATUS	BILL TEXT
Agriculture and Conservation	March 2, 2021	1st Hearing	Download

WITNESS	ORGANIZATION	TESTIFYING AS	DOCUMENT
Sen. Frank Hoagland	Ohio Senate	Proponent	Download

Means: The bill was scheduled for a 1st hearing on Mar 2. Since the sponsor is a Senator, the witness list has the senator testifying as a proponent.

COMMITTEE	DATE	STATUS	BILL TEXT
Agriculture and Conservation	March 16, 2021	2nd Hearing	Download

WITNESS	ORGANIZATION	TESTIFYING AS	DOCUMENT
		Proponent	Download

Means: The bill had a 2nd committee hearing Mar 16 where other proponents, or supporters, testified.

COMMITTEE	DATE	STATUS	BILL TEXT
Agriculture and Conservation	March 23, 2021	3rd Hearing	Download

Means: The bill had a 3rd committee hearing Mar 23. No one signed up to testify.

COMMITTEE	DATE	STATUS	BILL TEXT
Agriculture and Conservation	April 13, 2021	4th Hearing	Download

WITNESS	ORGANIZATION	TESTIFYING AS	DOCUMENT
	Private Citizen	Proponent	Download

Means: The bill had a 4th hearing on Apr 13. 1 witness signed up as a private citizen. Sometimes it will also say self.

COMMITTEE	DATE	STATUS	BILL TEXT
Agriculture and Conservation	April 20, 2021	5th Hearing	Download

Means: The bill had a 5th hearing scheduled. Again, no one was scheduled to testify.

4/20/21	House	Reported	Agriculture and Conservation
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Means: The bill passed the House committee. The report and bill were sent to the House. To see the votes, click on the votes tab.

4/20/2021	House	Favorable Passage	Yeas : 13	Nays : 0	[Show Breakdown]
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Means: The votes tab shows there were 13 yeas and 0 nays.

4/22/21	House	Passed
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Means: Going back to the status page, the bill passed the House. See the Votes tab for the votes.

4/22/2021

House

Passed

Yeas : 69

Nays : 23

[[Show Breakdown](#)]

Means: The votes tab shows the bill passed with 69 yeas and 23 nays.

8/10/21

Effective 8/10/21

Means: The bill became law. It takes effect immediately.

OKLAHOMA

Example: HB 1620 from 2021

First Reading	125	02/01/2021	H
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Means: Bill had a 1st reading by title only in the House.

Authored by Representative Mize	125	02/01/2021	H
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Means: Lists who the bill sponsor is. In OK, author means sponsor.

Second Reading referred to Wildlife	333	02/02/2021	H
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Means: Bill had a 2nd reading by title only and was sent to committee.

CR; Do Pass, amended by committee substitute Wildlife Committee	394	02/11/2021	H
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Committee Amendments (House)

[HB1620 FULLPCS1 GARRY MIZE-AMM.PDF](#)

[2/11/2021](#)

Means: Bill passed committee with a substitute. CR = committee report. A look at the Amendments tab, shows the substitute introduced.

General Order	861	03/11/2021	H
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Means: The bill was placed on the General Order calendar to be heard in the full House. General Order calendar allows debate and floor amendments on the bill.
NOTE: There is also a Consent Calendar where no debate or amendments are allowed.

Coauthored by Representative(s) Steagall	861	03/11/2021	H
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Means: Representative Steagall asked to be added as a coauthor (co-sponsor). Bills can have several coauthors added. This report only shows one of them.

Authored by Senator Montgomery (principal Senate author)	861	03/11/2021	H
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Means: Senator Montgomery was added as the main Senate author (sponsor) of the bill.

House Rule suspended	825	03/11/2021	H
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Means: The House voted to suspend the rule to wait to take action on the committee substitute so it can go ahead and address it.

Amended	861	03/11/2021	H
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Means: The committee substitute was adopted. This is to approve the substitute only, not the bill.

Third Reading, Measure passed: Ayes: 88 Nays: 10	862	03/11/2021	H
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Means: Bill had a 3rd reading and passed the House.

Referred for engrossment	862	03/11/2021	H
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Means: The bill was sent out to have the bill updated with the substitute that was adopted.

Engrossed, signed, to Senate	921	03/15/2021	H
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Means: The bill was engrossed (had the substitute added), signed by the leader of the House and sent to the Senate.

First Reading	892	03/15/2021	S
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Means: Bill had a 1st reading by title only in the Senate.

Second Reading referred to Agriculture and Wildlife	924	03/17/2021	S
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Means: Bill had a 2nd reading by title only and was sent to committee.

Reported Do Pass Agriculture and Wildlife committee; CR filed	924	03/29/2021	S
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Means: The bill passed committee. CR filed means the committee report was sent to the Senate.

General Order, Amended	1232	04/22/2021	S
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Floor Amendments (Senate)

HB1620 (4-19-21) (MONTGOMERY) FA1.PDF	4/19/2021
HB1620 (4-22-21) (FLOYD) FA2.PDF	4/22/2021

Means: The bill was added to the Senate calendar to be debated. During the debate, floor amendment(s) were introduced and approved. To see the amendments, click on the Amendments tab and look floor amendments for the Senate. There was FA1 and FA2.

Measure passed: Ayes: 47 Nays: 0	1232	04/22/2021	S
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Means: The bill passed the Senate as amended.

Referred for engrossment	1232	04/22/2021	S
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Means: The bill was sent out to have the amendments added to the bill.

Engrossed to House	1251	04/26/2021	S
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Means: The amendments were engrossed, or added, into the bill, and the bill was sent to the House.

SA's received	1306	04/26/2021	H
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Means: The House received the Senate amendments (SA).

SA's read, adopted

1383

05/05/2021

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Means: The House read the Senate amendments and voted to adopt the amendments only.

Fourth Reading, Measure passed: Ayes: 86 Nays: 4

1383

05/05/2021

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Means: The House had a 4th reading of the bill and passed it with the Senate amendments.

Referred for enrollment

1384

05/05/2021

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Means: The bill was sent out to be finalized with all amendments adopted.

Enrolled, signed, to Senate

1391

05/06/2021

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Means: The bill was finalized and signed by the leader of the House verifying it passed. Then it was sent to the Senate.

Enrolled measure signed, returned to House

1318

05/06/2021

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Means: The leader of the Senate signed the bill verifying it passed and returned it to the House.

Sent to Governor

1397

05/06/2021

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Means: Bill was sent to governor for signing.

Approved by Governor 05/10/2021

1401

05/10/2021

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Means: The governor signed the bill into law.

OREGON

Example: SB 32 from 2021

1-11 (S)

Introduction and first reading. Referred to President's desk.

Means: Bill was introduced in the Senate and had a 1st reading. The President means the President of the Senate, which is the leader of the Senate.

1-19 (S)

Referred to Natural Resources and Wildfire Recovery, then Ways and Means.

Means: The bill will be sent to 2 committees. The first is Natural Resources and Wildfire Recovery.

2-8 (S)

Public Hearing held. [🔗](#)

Means: The committee held a public hearing on the bill. Clicking the link provides the testimonies that were heard.

2-24 (S)

Public Hearing and Work Session held. [🔗](#) [+](#)

Action

Do pass with amendments. Refer to Ways and Means by prior reference. (Printed A-Eng).

Adopted Amendments

[+](#)-2

Committee Vote (Aye, Nay, Excused, Absent)

4-1-0-0

Carrier

Member Vote

Golden	Aye
Heard	Nay
Kenemer	Aye
Patterson	Aye
Prozanski	Aye

Means: The bill had another public hearing and a work session, where the committee discusses and votes on the bill. Clicking on the + shows the committee action and vote. The bill passed committee with amendment 2 (-2). The committee then recommended the bill be sent to the 2nd committee in the list. Prior reference means the committee was in the original list of committees to be sent to. Printed A-Eng: Eng means engrossed meaning the amendment was added to the bill and reprinted. A- means it is the first engrossment.

3-4 (S) Recommendation: Do pass with amendments and be referred to Ways and Means by prior reference. (Printed A-Eng.)

Means: The bill was sent back to the Senate with the committee report.

3-4 (S) Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Means: The bill was sent to the 2nd committee.

6-10 (S) Assigned to Subcommittee On Natural Resources.

Means: The committee sent the bill to a subcommittee.

6-14 (S) [Work Session held.](#)

Means: The subcommittee had a work session on the bill. Clicking on the link shows the bill was heard and reported out, meaning it was approved.

6-14 (S) Returned to Full Committee.

Means: The bill was sent back to the full committee.

6-16 (S) [Work Session held.](#)

Action	Do pass the A-Eng bill.
Adopted Amendments	
Committee Vote (Aye, Nay, Excused, Absent)	19-4-0-0
Carrier	Frederick
Member Vote	Drazan Nay

Means: The full committee had a work session to discuss the bill. Clicking on the + shows that the committee passed the bill with the A-Eng version.

6-21 (S)

Recommendation: Do pass the A-Eng. bill.

Means: The committee sent the bill back to the Senate with their report.

6-21 (S)

Second reading.

Means: The bill had a 2nd reading.

6-21 (S)

Rules suspended. Third reading. Carried by Frederick. Passed. Ayes, 18; Nays, 10--Anderson, Boquist, Findley, Girod, Heard, Knopp, Linthicum, Robinson, Thatcher, Thomsen; Excused, 2--Johnson, Manning Jr. [+](#)

Means: The Senate voted to suspend the requirement to wait for the 3rd reading. The bill was read a 3rd time and passed the Senate.

6-21 (S)

Vote explanation(s) filed by Heard.

Means: A legislator wanted to explain their vote.

6-21 (H)

First reading. Referred to Speaker's desk.

Means: The bill had a 1st reading in the House and was sent to the leader of the House.

6-21 (H)

Referred to Ways and Means.

Means: The bill was sent to committee.

6-22 (H)

Recommendation: Do pass.

Means: The committee passed the bill.

6-23 (H)

Second reading.

Means: The bill had a 2nd reading.

6-24 (H)

Third reading. Carried by Reardon. Passed. Ayes, 35; Nays, 21--Bonham, Boshart Davis, Breese-Iverson, Cate, Drazan, Evans, Hayden, Leif, Levy, Lewis, Moore-Green, Morgan, Noble, Owens, Post, Reschke, Smith DB, Stark, Wallan, Weber, Wright; Excused, 1--Smith G; Excused for Business of the House, 2--Speaker Kotek, Zika. [👤](#)

Means: The bill had a 3rd reading and passed the House.

6-26 (S)

President signed.

Means: The bill was signed by the leader of the Senate verifying it passed.

6-26 (H)

Speaker signed.

Means: Bill was signed by the leader of the House.

7-19 (S)

Governor signed.

8-20 (S)

Chapter 563, 2021 Laws.

Means: The bill was signed into law and given a chapter number.

PENNSYLVANIA

Example: SB 434 from 2021

[PN 0441](#) Referred to [AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS](#), March 16, 2021

Means: The bill was sent to committee. PN is the printer's number. A new number shows the bill was reprinted.

Reported as committed, [March 23, 2021](#)

Means: The bill passed committee without changes. Reported as committed just means no changes were made.

First consideration, [March 23, 2021](#)

Means: The bill had a 1st reading by number and title only.

Second consideration, [April 20, 2021](#)

Means: The bill had a 2nd reading by number and title.

Re-referred to [APPROPRIATIONS](#), [April 20, 2021](#)

Means: The bill was sent to Appropriations committee, which is required of all bills that require funding.

Re-reported as committed, [April 27, 2021](#)

Means: The bill passed the 2nd committee.

Third consideration and final passage, [April 28, 2021 \(47-0\)](#)

Means: The bill had a 3rd reading and passed the Senate.

Referred to [AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS](#), April 29, 2021

Means: The bill was sent to House committee.

[PN 0877](#) Reported as amended, [June 9, 2021](#)

Means: The bill passed committee with amendment. Clicking on the date shows the votes. Clicking on the Printer Number (PN) shows the amendment.

First consideration, June 9, 2021

Means: Bill had a 1st reading by title and number.

Laid on the table, June 9, 2021

Means: All bills in the House are automatically tabled after the 1st reading for so many legislative days except with a special vote to remove it early.

Removed from table, June 14, 2021

Means: The bill was taken from the table so further action can be done.

Second consideration, June 15, 2021

Means: The bill had a 2nd reading by number and title.

Re-referred to [APPROPRIATIONS](#), June 15, 2021

Means: The bill must again go to Appropriations.

Re-reported as committed, [June 16, 2021](#)

Means: The bill passed Appropriations without changes.

Third consideration and final passage, June 16, 2021 ([201-1](#))

Means: Bill had a 3rd reading and passed the House.

Referred to [RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS](#), June 21, 2021

Means: When the House passes a different version of the bill, the bill goes to the Senate Rules and Executive Nominations Committee.

Re-reported on concurrence, as amended, [June 22, 2021](#)

Means: The committee concurred with, or agreed to, the House amendments.

Senate concurred in House amendments, June 22, 2021 ([50-0](#))

Means: The Senate concurred in, or approved, the House amendments.

Signed in Senate, June 22, 2021

Signed in House, June 23, 2021

Means: The bill was signed by the leaders of the House and Senate.

Presented to the Governor, June 23, 2021

Means: Bill was sent to Governor.

Approved by the Governor, June 30, 2021

Act No. [62](#)

Means: The bill was signed into law and given act number 62. 62 means it is the 62nd bill to pass that year.

Example: HB 6283 from 2021

04/29/2021 Introduced, referred to House Health & Human Services

Means: The bill was introduced in the House and sent to committee.

04/30/2021 [Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration](#) (05/05/2021)

Means: The bill had a committee hearing scheduled.

05/05/2021 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

Means: Committee held the bill for further study. Bills held for further study CAN be considered later.

06/16/2021 [Scheduled for consideration](#) (06/18/2021)

Means: The committee scheduled the bill for further consideration.

06/18/2021 Committee recommends passage

Means: Bill passed committee without changes.

06/21/2021 [Placed on House Calendar](#) (06/23/2021)

Means: The bill was placed on the full House calendar.

06/23/2021 House read and passed

Means: The bill was read in the full House and passed.

06/26/2021 [Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar](#) (06/29/2021)

Means: It was placed on the Senate calendar to be discussed. It was NOT sent to a committee.

06/29/2021 Senate passed in concurrence

Means: The Senate passed the bill.

06/30/2021 Transmitted to Governor

Means: The bill was sent to the governor for signing.

07/03/2021 Signed by Governor

Means: The bill was signed into law.

SOUTH CAROLINA

Example: H 3539 from 2021

12/16/2020 House Prefiled

Means: Bill was filed in the House before the session started.

12/16/2020 House Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources
and Environmental Affairs

Means: Bill was temporarily sent to committee before the session began. The committee may make recommendations on the bill during this time.

1/12/2021 House Introduced and read first time ([House Journal-page 231](#))

Means: The House convened, officially introduced the bill, and gave it a 1st reading.

1/12/2021 House Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources
and Environmental Affairs ([House Journal-page 231](#))

Means: The bill was sent to committee.

2/17/2021 House Committee report: Favorable with amendment Agriculture,
Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs
([House Journal-page 3](#))

Means: The bill passed committee with amendments. The committee sent its report and the bill and amendments back to the House. Amendment can be found by clicking View Full Text at top of status page and then the day approved (2/17/2021).

2/23/2021 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Martin

Means: A legislator was added as a sponsor. Sponsors can be added at any time while the bill is in the legislature.

2/23/2021 House Amended ([House Journal-page 21](#))

Means: The House approved the committee amendments. NOTE: The status page doesn't list whether the committee changes were approved and/or floor amendments, so checking the journal page provides this information. Committee Amendment 1 was adopted.

2/23/2021 House Read second time ([House Journal-page 21](#))

Means: The bill had a 2nd reading in the House. The reading takes place after the amendment adoption because after the amendments are approved, the bill is given a 2nd reading with the newly adopted amendments included.

2/23/2021 House Roll call Yeas-98 Nays-2 ([House Journal-page 23](#))

Means: Roll call means each legislator's vote was recorded. In the House, it is done by pushing a button on their desk of how they voted.

2/24/2021 House Read third time and sent to Senate
([House Journal-page 15](#))

Means: The bill passed the House and was sent to the Senate.

2/24/2021 Senate Introduced and read first time ([Senate Journal-page 7](#))

Means: The bill was officially introduced in the Senate and had a 1st reading.

2/24/2021 Senate Referred to Committee on Agriculture and Natural
Resources ([Senate Journal-page 7](#))

Means: The bill was sent to committee.

3/30/2021 Senate Committee report: Favorable Agriculture and Natural
Resources ([Senate Journal-page 5](#))

Means: The committee passed the bill with no changes. It sent its report and the bill back to the Senate.

4/22/2021 Senate Amended ([Senate Journal-page 34](#))

Means: Since there were no committee changes, that means the bill had amendments on the floor of the Senate. A look at the journal page confirms this.

4/22/2021 Senate Read second time ([Senate Journal-page 34](#))

Means: The bill had a 2nd reading in the Senate with the amendments included.

4/22/2021 Senate Roll call Ayes-45 Nays-1 ([Senate Journal-page 34](#))

Means: The Senate voted to approve the bill. Votes in the Senate are done by called each legislator's name.

4/29/2021 Senate Read third time and returned to House with amendments
([Senate Journal-page 9](#))

Means: The bill passed the Senate and sent it back to the House for approval on its amendments.

5/4/2021 House Concurred in Senate amendment and enrolled
([House Journal-page 72](#))

Means: The House concurred in, or approved, the Senate amendments. Enrolled means the bill was finalized with all approved changes.

5/4/2021 House Roll call Yeas-112 Nays-0 ([House Journal-page 72](#))

Means: The House then voted to approve the bill.

5/5/2021 House Reconsidered ([House Journal-page 63](#))

Means: There was a motion to reconsider the vote to approve the Senate changes.

5/6/2021 House Senate amendment amended

SECTION 2. A. Title 47 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

"CHAPTER 8

Non-native Venomous Reptiles

Means: The House then tried to add an amendment to the Senate amendment. A look at the text of the bill for 5/6 shows that the House tried to add CHAPTER 8 Non-native Venomous Reptiles, which bans such reptiles.

5/6/2021 House Returned to Senate with amendments

Means: The House amendment was sent to the Senate for approval.

5/6/2021 House Roll call Yeas-103 Nays-2 ([House Journal-page 27](#))

Means: These are the votes for the House amendments.

5/11/2021 Senate Non-concurrence in House amendment
([Senate Journal-page 32](#))

Means: The Senate did not approve of the House amendment to add a non-native venomous reptile ban.

5/11/2021 Senate Roll call Ayes-0 Nays-44 ([Senate Journal-page 32](#))

Means: Shows how the Senate voted on the House amendments.

5/12/2021 House House recedes from amendment(s) ([House Journal-page 60](#))

Means: The House withdrew its reptile ban amendment from further consideration.

5/12/2021 Senate Ordered enrolled for ratification

Means: Enrolled means the bill was finalized. Ratification means the bill is signed by the leaders of the House and Senate.

5/13/2021

Ratified R 87

Means: The bill was signed by the House and Senate leaders.

5/17/2021

Signed By Governor

6/1/2021

Effective date 05/17/21

6/1/2021

Act No. 71

Means: The bill was signed into law and given an act number. This is the 71st bill to pass this year.

SOUTH DAKOTA

Example: SB 52 from 2021

01/12/2021 First read in Senate and referred to [Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources](#) S.J.11

Means: The bill had a 1st reading in the Senate and was referred to committee.

01/21/2021 Scheduled for hearing

Means: A hearing was scheduled in committee.

01/21/2021 [Agriculture and Natural Resources](#) Do Pass, Passed, YEAS 5, NAYS 2.

Means: The bill passed committee with no amendments.

01/22/2021 [Senate](#) Deferred to another day, Passed S.J. 97

Means: The Senate deferred, or delayed, action on the bill until another legislative day.

01/25/2021 [Senate](#) Do Pass, Passed, YEAS 27, NAYS 7. S.J. 108

Means: The bill passed the Senate. Do Pass, Passed means they approved the committee's do pass recommendation and passed the bill.

01/26/2021 First read in House and referred to [House Agriculture and Natural Resources](#) H.J.129

Means: The bill had a 1st reading in the House and was sent to committee.

02/11/2021

Scheduled for hearing

Means: The bill was scheduled for a hearing.

02/11/2021

[Agriculture and Natural Resources](#) Do Pass, Passed, YEAS 11, NAYS 0.

Means: The bill passed committee.

02/16/2021

[House of Representatives](#) Do Pass, Passed, YEAS 54, NAYS 14. H.J. 298

Means: The House passed the bill. Again, Do Pass, Passed means they approved the committee's do pass recommendation and passed the bill.

02/17/2021

Signed by the President S.J.284

Means: The bill was signed by the leader of the Senate verifying it passed.

02/18/2021

Signed by the Speaker H.J.321

Means: The bill was signed by the leader of the House verifying it passed.

02/22/2021

Delivered to the Governor on Thursday, February 18, 2021 S.J. 302

Means: The bill was sent to the governor for signing.

02/24/2021

Signed by the Governor on Wednesday, February 24, 2021 S.J. 336

Means: The bill was signed into law.

TENNESSEE

Example: SB 166 from 2021

Abbreviations: <https://www.capitol.tn.gov/legislation/billabbrev.html>

SB0166 ACTIONS	DATE	HB0733 ACTIONS	DATE
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NOTE: TN companion bill statuses are shown side by side. This example looks first at the House Bill that was substituted, and then at the Senate bill that passed. The colored bars on the left side show which chamber the bill is in. Red/maroon is House and Green is Senate. Gray means neither chamber or is informational.

HB0733 ACTIONS	DATE
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Filed for introduction	02/09/2021
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Means: The House companion +bill was filed in the House.

Intro., P1C.	02/10/2021
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Means: The bill was officially introduced and had a 1st reading. P1C = Passed 1st Consideration (same as a reading).

P2C, ref. to Criminal Justice Committee	02/11/2021
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Means: The bill had a 2nd reading and was sent to committee. P2C = Passed 2nd Consideration (or reading).

Assigned to s/c Criminal Justice Subcommittee	02/20/2021
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Means: The Criminal Justice committee sent the bill to a smaller subcommittee.

Placed on s/c cal Criminal Justice Subcommittee for 3/10/2021	03/03/2021
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Means: The bill was scheduled for a meeting in the subcommittee (s/c) for Mar 10.

Action Def. in s/c Criminal Justice Subcommittee to 3/17/2021	03/10/2021
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Means: On Mar 10, the subcommittee deferred (Def.), or delayed action on the bill until Mar 17.

Placed on s/c cal Criminal Justice Subcommittee for 3/17/2021	03/10/2021
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Means: The bill was officially placed on the subcommittee calendar for Mar 17.

Action Def. in s/c Criminal Justice Subcommittee to 3/24/2021	03/17/2021
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Means: On Mar 17, the subcommittee again delayed action on the bill, this time to Mar 24.

Placed on s/c cal Criminal Justice Subcommittee for 3/24/2021	03/17/2021
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Means: The bill was officially placed on the subcommittee calendar for Mar 24.

Rec. for pass by s/c ref. to Criminal Justice Committee	03/24/2021
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Means: The subcommittee recommends (Rec.) the bill be passed.

Placed on cal. Criminal Justice Committee for 3/31/2021	03/24/2021
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Means: The bill was placed on the calendar to be heard in the full committee on Mar 31.

Action def. in Criminal Justice Committee to 4/7/2021 03/31/2021

Means: The full committee deferred, or delayed, action on the bill until Apr 7.

Placed on cal. Criminal Justice Committee for 4/7/2021 03/31/2021

Means: The bill was officially placed on the committee calendar.

Action def. in Criminal Justice Committee to 4/14/2021 04/07/2021

Means: The committee again delayed action on the bill, this time to Apr 14.

Placed on cal. Criminal Justice Committee for 4/14/2021 04/07/2021

Means: The bill was officially placed on the calendar.

Re-ref. Criminal Justice Subcommittee 04/14/2021

Means: On Apr 14, the full committee decided to re-refer (Re-ref.), or send the bill back to, the subcommittee.

Placed on s/c cal Criminal Justice Subcommittee for 4/20/2021 04/15/2021

Means: The bill was officially scheduled to be heard in subcommittee for Apr 20.

Rec for pass if am by s/c ref. to Criminal Justice Committee	04/21/2021
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Means: The subcommittee (s/c) again recommended passing (Rec for pass) the bill again but this time with amendments (if am) and sent it back to the full committee.

Placed on cal. Criminal Justice Committee for 4/26/2021	04/21/2021
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Means: It was scheduled to be heard in the full committee on Apr 26.

Rec. for pass. if am., ref. to Calendar & Rules Committee	04/27/2021
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Means: The full committee recommended (rec.) passing the bill (for pass.) as amended (if am.) and sent it to Calendar & Rules. Calendar & Rules determines whether it should be scheduled in the full House.

Placed on cal. Calendar & Rules Committee for 4/28/2021	04/27/2021
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Means: The bill was scheduled in Calendar & Rules for Apr 28.

H. Placed on Regular Calendar for 5/3/2021	04/28/2021
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Means: The committee scheduled the bill in the House for May 3.

Comp. SB subst.	05/03/2021
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Means: The companion (Comp.) Senate Bill (SB) was substituted (subst.) instead.

Comp. became Pub. Ch. 580

06/02/2021

Means: The companion bill became law. Pub. = public law.

SB0166 ACTIONS

DATE

Filed for introduction

01/14/2021

Means: The Senate bill was filed in the Senate.

Introduced, Passed on First Consideration

01/15/2021

Means: The bill was officially introduced and passed the 1st consideration (reading).

Passed on Second Consideration, refer to
Senate Judiciary Committee

02/08/2021

Means: The bill passed the 2nd consideration (reading) and was sent to committee.

Placed on Senate Judiciary Committee
calendar for 3/16/2021

03/10/2021

Means: The bill was scheduled to be heard in the committee on Mar 16.

Recommended for passage, refer to
Senate Calendar Committee

03/16/2021

Means: The committee recommended passing the bill and sent to Senate Calendar committee. The Calendar Committee schedules the bill in the full Senate.

Placed on Senate Consent Calendar 2 for 03/18/2021
3/22/2021

Means: The bill was scheduled, or placed on the calendar, in the Senate. Consent Calendar is for bills that are considered non-controversial. 2 = calendar number.

Passed Senate, Ayes 31, Nays 0 03/22/2021

Means: The bill passed the Senate.

Engrossed; ready for transmission to House 03/22/2021

Means: Engrossed means that the bill was reprinted with any approved amendments added.

Rcvd. from S., held on H. desk. 03/25/2021

Means: Red means the bill is now in the House. It was officially received from the Senate.

Subst. for comp. HB. 05/03/2021

Means: When a bill reaches the same chamber as its companion, the chamber they are in decides which bill to proceed with. The other is said to be substituted.

H. adopted am. (Amendment 1 - HA0422) 05/03/2021

Means: Since the companion HB already passed its committee in the House, the substituted Senate bill picks up where it left off. In this case, the full House. The House introduced and adopted, or approved, an amendment (Amendment 1 – HA0422). HA = House amendment.

Passed H., as am., Ayes 92, Nays 0, PNV 0 05/03/2021

Means: Passed House as amended.

Placed on Senate Message Calendar for 5/4/2021 05/04/2021

Means: The bill was scheduled in the Senate to have the House amendments approved. Green = Senate. Message Calendar is for when the bill passed both the House and Senate but with different versions.

Concurred, Ayes 30, Nays 0 (Amendment 1 - HA0422) 05/04/2021

Means: The Senate concurred in, or approved, the House amendment 1.

Enrolled and ready for signatures 05/12/2021

Means: Enrolled means the bill was finalized with all approved changes. The bill is ready for the leaders of the House and Senate to sign it.

Signed by Senate Speaker 05/13/2021

Means: The bill was signed by the leader of the Senate verifying it passed.

Signed by H. Speaker 05/13/2021

Means: The Bill was signed by the leader of the House.

Transmitted to Governor for action.	05/17/2021
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Means: The bill was sent to the governor for signing.

Pub. Ch. 580	06/02/2021
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Effective date(s) 07/01/2021	06/02/2021
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Signed by Governor.	05/27/2021
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Means: The bill was signed into law and given a chapter number. Pub. Ch. = Public Chapter. The green beside the Signed by Governor means that the signed bill was sent back to the Senate after being signed.

TEXAS

Example: SB 5 from 2021 Special Session 3

NOTE: This bill is being used as an example due to its complex status list that shows a wide range of actions that can happen. Most bills are not this complex.

S Received by the Secretary of the Senate	09/20/2021
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Means: Bills introduced are first sent to the Secretary of whatever chamber the bill will start in, in this case the Senate.

S Filed	09/20/2021
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Means: The bill was officially filed in the Senate.

S Read first time	09/20/2021	4
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Means: The bill had a 1st reading in the Senate by number and caption only. The 4 is the journal page the reading is recorded on.

S Referred to Criminal Justice	09/20/2021	4
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Means: The bill was sent to committee.

S Posting rule suspended	09/20/2021	18
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Means: The Senate voted to suspend the rule requiring 24-hour notice before a committee meeting and 24-hour notice before a public hearing. This way the committee may hold a hearing immediately after the Senate adjourns.

S Scheduled for public hearing on . . .	09/20/2021
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Means: The committee went ahead and scheduled a public hearing for that same day.

S Considered in public hearing	09/20/2021
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Means: The bill was considered during the hearing.

S	Reported favorably w/o amendments	09/20/2021	19
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Means: The bill passed committee with no amendments, or changes.

S	Committee report printed and distributed	09/20/2021 03:30 PM	
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Means: The favorable committee report was printed, and the report and bill were sent back to the Senate.

S	Co-author authorized	09/22/2021	41
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Means: A new co-author was added to the bill.

S	Laid before the Senate	09/22/2021	32
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Means: Set out in the Senate for action.

S	Read 2nd time	09/22/2021	32
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Means: The bill had a 2nd reading by number and caption only.

S	Amendment(s) offered	FA1 Lucio	09/22/2021	32
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Means: Amendments were offered, or introduced, on the Senate floor. FA1 = Floor Amendment 1. Lucio is the legislator who introduced it. The text of all amendments and their status can be found on the amendments tab.

S	Amended	09/22/2021	32
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Means: The Senate approved the floor amendment 1.

S [Vote recorded in Journal](#) 09/22/2021 32

The amendment to **SB 5** was read and was adopted by a viva voce vote.

All Members are deemed to have voted "Yea" on the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 1.

SB 5 as amended was passed to engrossment by a viva voce vote.

Means: The vote on the amendment was entered in the Senate Journal. Seeing the actual votes requires looking at the link and checking the journal page.

S [Passed to engrossment as amended](#) 09/22/2021 32

Means: The Senate voted to send the bill out to have the amendment added to the bill (engrossed).

S [Vote recorded in Journal](#) 09/22/2021 32

SB 5 as amended was passed to engrossment by a viva voce vote.

All Members are deemed to have voted "Yea" on the passage to engrossment except as follows:

Nays: Hall, Hughes, Nichols.

Means: The vote to send the bill for engrossment was entered in the Senate Journal. See the journal page to see the votes (all Yeas except 3 Nays).

S [Three day rule suspended](#) 09/22/2021 33

Means: The Senate voted to suspend the rule requiring waiting 3 days before a 3rd reading and vote on a bill.

S [Record vote](#) 09/22/2021 33

Means: The prior entry was the action that was taken. The yellow entries list the actual votes taken. A look at the journal page shows 28 Yeas and 3 Nays. Record Vote is the type of vote and means that the vote of each legislator was recorded. In the Senate, this is done by calling each legislator's name.

S [Read 3rd time](#) 09/22/2021 33

Means: Bill had a 3rd reading in the Senate.

S Passed	09/22/2021	33
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Means: The bill passed the Senate.

S Record vote	09/22/2021	33
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Means: The actual vote to pass the bill in the Senate. A look at the journal page shows it passed with 28 Yeas and 3 Nays.

S Reported engrossed	09/22/2021	41
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Means: Engrossed means the bill was reprinted with all amendments and changes added to it.

H Received from the Senate	09/23/2021	8
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Means: The House acknowledged receipt of the bill.

H Read first time	09/27/2021	16
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Means: The bill had a 1st reading in the House by number and caption only.

H Referred to State Affairs	09/27/2021 02:25 PM	16
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Means: The bill was sent to committee.

H Scheduled for public hearing on . . .	10/05/2021	
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Means: The bill was scheduled for a public hearing in committee on Oct 5.

H Considered in public hearing	10/05/2021	
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Means: The bill was scheduled during the hearing.

H Testimony taken/registration(s) recorded in committee	10/05/2021	
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Means: Those who registered to testify and the testimonies were recorded.

H Reported favorably w/o amendment(s)	10/05/2021	
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Means: Bill passed committee with no amendments, or changes.

H Comte report filed with Committee Coordinator	10/06/2021	37
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Means: The favorable committee report was filed.

H Committee report distributed	10/06/2021 12:59 PM	
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Means: The committee report and bill were sent to the House.

H Committee report sent to Calendars	10/06/2021	
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Means: The report and bill were sent to the Calendars Committee, which schedules the bill in the House.

H Considered in Calendars	10/15/2021	
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Means: The bill was considered in Calendars Committee.

H Placed on General State Calendar	10/16/2021	
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Means: The committee scheduled the bill to be heard in the House. General State Calendar is for non-emergency bills affecting the entire state in a minor way.

H Read 2nd time	10/16/2021	272
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Means: The bill had a 2nd reading by number and caption only.

H Amendment fails of adoption	1-C. Bell	10/17/2021	272
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Means: An amendment was introduced during the 2nd reading, and it failed. 1 means it is House Amendment 1. C. Bell is the legislator who introduced it.

H Record vote	RV#124	10/17/2021	272
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Means: The actual vote for amendment 1. RV = Record Vote. In the House, votes are done by pressing a button on their desks.

H Statement(s) of vote recorded in Journal		10/17/2021	273
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STATEMENTS OF VOTE

When Record No. 124 was taken, I was shown voting no. I intended to vote yes.

Means: Statements of votes are when a legislator wants to clarify their vote. A look at the statements showed 2 legislators incorrectly voted.

H Amendment fails of adoption	2-Crockett	10/17/2021	273
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Means: House Amendment 2 was introduced by Crockett and failed.

H Record vote	RV#125	10/17/2021	273
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Means: The actual vote for Amendment 2.

H Statement(s) of vote recorded in Journal		10/17/2021	274
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Means: Legislators wanted to clarify their votes for Amendment 2. The journal page shows 3 legislators incorrectly voted and 1 was away.

H Amendment fails of adoption	3-Schaefer	10/17/2021	274
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Means: Amendment 3 was introduced by Schaefer and failed.

H Record vote	RV#126	10/17/2021	274
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Means: The actual votes on Amendment 3.

H Statement(s) of vote recorded in Journal		10/17/2021	275
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Means: Legislators wanted to clarify their vote on Amendment 3. 2 legislators incorrectly voted and 1 was away but would have voted no.

H Amendment fails of adoption	4-C. Bell	10/17/2021	275
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Means: Amendment 4 was introduced by C. Bell and failed.

H Record vote	RV#127	10/17/2021	275
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Means: The actual votes on Amendment 4.

H Statement(s) of vote recorded in Journal		10/17/2021	276
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Means: Legislators wanted to clarify their votes on Amendment 4. 1 legislator was away but would have voted no.

H Amendment fails of adoption	5-C. Bell	10/17/2021	276
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Means: Amendment 5 was introduced by C. Bell and failed.

H Record vote	RV#128	10/17/2021	276
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Means: The actual vote on Amendment 5.

H Amended	6-Schaefer	10/17/2021	277
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Means: Amendment 6 was introduced By Schaefer. That amendment was adopted.

H Record vote	RV#129	10/17/2021	277
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Means: The actual vote on Amendment 6.

H Statement(s) of vote recorded in Journal		10/17/2021	277
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Means: Legislators wanted to clarify their votes on Amendment 6. 1 vote failed to register, 3 legislators were away but 2 would have voted no and 1 yes.

H Amendment(s) offered	7-Cason	10/17/2021	278
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Means: Amendment 7 was introduced by Cason.

H Point of order withdrawn (amendment)	Rule 11, Section 2	10/17/2021	278
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Means: Point of Order means that the amendment possibly violates the House Rules. House Rule 11.2 prohibits amendments with a different subject. This is stating that the Point of order motion was withdrawn, meaning the amendment could still be considered.

H Amendment withdrawn	7-Cason	10/17/2021	278
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Means: Amendment 7 was withdrawn anyway.

H Amendment fails of adoption	8-Slaton	10/17/2021	278
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Means: Amendment 8 was introduced by Slaton and failed.

H Record vote	RV# 130	10/17/2021	278
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Means: The actual vote on Amendment 8.

H Point of order withdrawn	Rule 4, Section 32(c)	10/17/2021	279
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Means: A motion was made that a House Rule was possibly violated but was withdrawn. Rule 4.32(c) states that the committee report must have a detailed summary of the bill. A look at the journal shows that the accuracy of the summary was being challenged.

H Passed to 3rd reading as amended		10/17/2021	279
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Means: The House is finished with debate and introducing amendments and voted to send the bill to a 3rd reading with any amendments passed.

H Record vote	RV#131	10/17/2021	279
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Means: The actual vote to pass to 3rd reading.

H Statement(s) of vote recorded in Journal		10/17/2021	280
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Means: Legislators wanted to clarify their votes. In this case, two legislators were away from their desk but would have voted yes.

H Read 3rd time		10/17/2021	285
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Means: The bill had a 3rd reading in the House.

H Passed		10/17/2021	285
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Means: The bill passed the House.

H Record vote	RV#136	10/17/2021	285
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Means: The actual vote to pass the bill in the House.

H Statement(s) of vote recorded in Journal		10/17/2021	285
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Means: Legislators wanted to clarify their vote. 1 legislator voted incorrectly, and 5 were away but would have voted yes.

S House passage as amended reported		10/17/2021	173
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Means: The House reported to the Senate the bill and its message that the bill passed with amendments.

S Co-author authorized		10/18/2021	355
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Means: A new co-author was added.

S House amendment(s) laid before the Senate	10/18/2021	284
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Means: The House amendments were given to the Senate for consideration.

S Read	10/18/2021	284
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Means: The Senate read the House amendments.

S Senate refuses to concur	10/18/2021	284
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Means: The Senate did not concur with, or approve, the House amendments.

S Senate requests conference committee	10/18/2021	284
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Means: The Senate requested a conference committee to work out the differences.

S Senate appoints conferees	10/18/2021	284
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Means: The Senate appointed its members to the conference committee.

H Senate refuses to concur-reported	10/18/2021	307
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Means: House was given the Senate report of their refusal to concur.

H Senate requests conference committee-reported	10/18/2021	307
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Means: House received the Senate request for a conference committee.

H Senate appoints conferees-reported	10/18/2021	307
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Means: House received the report of the Senate conference committee members.

H House grants request for conference committee	10/18/2021	306
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Means: House approved the request for a conference committee.

H House appoints conferees	10/18/2021	306
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Means: The House appointed its members for the committee.

S House grants request for conf comm-reported	10/18/2021	285
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Means: The Senate received the House report of its approval of the committee.

S House appoints conferees-reported	10/18/2021	285
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Means: The Senate received the report of the House committee appointments.

S Conference committee report filed	10/18/2021	324
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Means: The conference committee met and filed a report of its recommendations. The report can be found under the Text tab. A look at the differences shows that it removed the House amendments.

H Conf. Comm. Report distributed	10/18/2021 02:50 PM	
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Means: The committee report was sent to both chambers.

S Rules suspended	10/18/2021	303
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Means: The Senate voted to suspend the Senate Rule requiring 24-hour advance copy of the committee report.

S Record vote	10/18/2021	303
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Means: Actual vote to suspend the rules.

S	Senate adopts conference committee report		10/18/2021	304
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Means: The Senate approved the conference committee report.

S	Record vote		10/18/2021	304
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Means: Actual vote to adopt the conference committee report.

H	Senate adopts conf. comm. report-reported		10/18/2021	359
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Means: The House received the Senate report of its adoption of the conference committee report.

H	Rules suspended		10/19/2021	354
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Means: The House also voted to suspend the rules requiring advanced distribution of the committee report.

H	Record vote	RV# 151	10/19/2021	354
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Means: Actual vote to suspend the rules.

H	Statement(s) of vote recorded in Journal		10/19/2021	354
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Means: A legislator wanted to clarify their vote.

H	House adopts conference committee report		10/19/2021	355
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Means: The House approved the conference committee report.

H	Record vote	RV#152	10/19/2021	355
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Means: Actual vote to adopt the report.

H	Statement(s) of vote recorded in Journal		10/19/2021	356
Means: A legislator wanted to clarify their vote on the report.				
S	House adopts conf. comm. report-reported		10/19/2021	320
Means: The Senate received the House report of its adoption of the committee report.				
S	Reported enrolled		10/19/2021	356
Means: The bill was finalized with all changes.				
S	Signed in the Senate		10/19/2021	356
Means: The bill was signed by the leader of the Senate verifying it passed.				
H	Signed in the House		10/19/2021	358
Means: The bill was signed by the leader of the House verifying it passed.				
E	Sent to the Governor		10/19/2021	357
Means: The bill was sent to the governor for signing.				
E	Effective on	January 18, 2022	10/25/2021	
E	Signed by the Governor		10/25/2021	357

Means: The bill was signed into law.

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Example: SB 130 from 2021

NOTE: Blue text is Senate and red is House.

1/25/2021	Bill Numbered but not Distributed	Legislative Research and General Counsel
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Means: The bill was filed and given a number but was not yet distributed to the public. In Utah, the Legislative Research and General Council drafts the bills and files the completed bill for introduction.

1/25/2021	Numbered Bill Publicly Distributed	Legislative Research and General Counsel
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Means: The bill was distributed to the public.

1/26/2021	Senate/ received bill from Legislative Research	Waiting for Introduction in the Senate
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Means: The Senate received the bill from Legislative Research and General Council. The bill was not yet officially introduced (waiting for introduction).

1/26/2021	Senate/ 1st reading (Introduced)	Senate Rules Committee
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Means: The bill had a 1st reading in the Senate by number and title and was sent to Rules. Rules decides which committee the bill should go to.

1/27/2021	Senate/ received fiscal note from Fiscal Analyst	Senate Rules Committee
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Means: The fiscal note was received while in Rules. The Fiscal Analyst provides a fiscal note for each bill stating how much it costs to enforce it.

1/28/2021	Senate/ to standing committee	Senate Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Committee
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Means: Rules referred the bill to a regular committee.

1/29/2021

Senate Comm - Favorable Recommendation

Senate Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Committee

6 1 1

Means: The bill passed committee without amendments with a vote of 6 yeas, 1 nay, 1 absent. Clicking on the vote shows the votes of each legislator.

2/1/2021 (11:10:39 AM)

Senate/ committee report favorable

Senate Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Committee

Means: The favorable committee report and bill were sent to the Senate.

2/1/2021 (11:10:40 AM)

Senate/ placed on 2nd Reading Calendar

Senate 2nd Reading Calendar

Means: The bill was scheduled for a 2nd reading where the committee report is read.

2/2/2021

Senate/ to Printing with fiscal note

Senate 2nd Reading Calendar

Means: The bill was printed with the fiscal note attached.

2/5/2021 (2:36:14 PM)

Senate/ 2nd reading

Senate 2nd Reading Calendar

Means: The bill had a 2nd reading.

2/5/2021 (2:38:14 PM)

Senate/ substituted from # 0 to # 1

Senate 2nd Reading Calendar

Voice vote

Means: The Senate approved substitute 1. The bill number is sometimes shown as SB 130S01, which means SB 130 Substitute 01.

2/5/2021 (2:51:15 PM)

Senate/ passed 2nd reading

Senate 3rd Reading Calendar

26 1 2

Means: The bill had a 2nd reading with the substitute and was placed on the 3rd reading calendar. The votes were 26 yeas, 1 nay, 2 absent or not voting.

2/8/2021 (11:26:10 AM)	Senate/ 3rd reading	Senate 3rd Reading Calendar
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Means: The bill had a 3rd reading in the Senate by number and title.

2/8/2021 (11:29:08 AM)	Senate/ passed 3rd reading	Clerk of the House	29 0 0
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Means: The bills passed the Senate with 29 ayes.

2/8/2021 (11:29:09 AM)	Senate/ to House	Clerk of the House
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Means: The bill was sent to the House.

2/8/2021	House/ received from Senate	Clerk of the House
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Means: The House received the bill.

2/8/2021	House/ 1st reading (Introduced)	House Rules Committee
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Means: The bill had a 1st reading in the House by number and title was sent to Rules to be assigned to a regular committee.

2/9/2021	House/ to standing committee	House Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Committee
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Means: Rules referred the bill to a regular committee.

2/16/2021	House Comm - Favorable Recommendation	House Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Committee	9 3 2
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Means: The bill passed committee.

2/17/2021 (10:20:29 AM) House/ committee report favorable

House Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Committee

Means: The favorable committee report and bill were sent back to the House.

2/17/2021 (10:20:30 AM) House/ 2nd reading

House 3rd Reading Calendar for Senate bills

Means: The bill had a 2nd reading of the committee report. It was then placed on the 3rd reading calendar.

2/18/2021 (10:41:06 AM) House/ 3rd reading

House 3rd Reading Calendar for Senate bills

Means: The bill had a 3rd reading by number and title.

2/18/2021 (10:41:53 AM) House/ floor amendment # 1

House 3rd Reading Calendar for Senate bills

Voice vote

Means: A floor amendment was introduced and passed.

2/18/2021 (11:00:27 AM) House/ passed 3rd reading

Senate Secretary

57 14 4

Means: The bill passed the House as amended.

2/18/2021 (11:00:29 AM) House/ to Senate

Senate Secretary

Means: The House sent the bill back to the Senate.

2/18/2021 (2:54:39 PM) Senate/ received from House

Senate Secretary

Means: The Senate received the bill.

2/18/2021 (2:54:40 PM)

Senate/ placed on Concurrence Calendar

Senate Concurrence Calendar

Means: The Senate scheduled the amendments on the concurrence calendar to vote to adopt them.

2/19/2021 (10:24:55 AM)

Senate/ refuse to concur with House amendments

Clerk of the House

Voice vote

Means: The Senate did not concur, or approve, the House amendments.

2/19/2021 (10:24:56 AM)

Senate/ to House

Clerk of the House

Means: The Senate sent its report back to the House.

2/19/2021

House/ received from Senate

House Speaker

Means: The House received the report.

2/19/2021 (11:09:27 AM)

House/ refused to recede from House amendment

Clerk of the House

Voice vote

Means: The House refused to recede from, or remove, its amendments.

2/19/2021

House Conference Committee Appointed Meeting Information

Conference Committee

Means: The House appointed its members for a conference committee to work on the differences.

2/19/2021

House/ to Senate

Conference Committee

Means: The House sent notice of the conference committee to the Senate.

2/19/2021	Senate/ received from House	Conference Committee
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Means: The Senate received the notice of the committee.

2/19/2021	Senate Conference Committee Appointed Meeting Information	Conference Committee
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Means: The Senate appointed its members for the committee.

2/19/2021	Bill Substituted by Conference Committee from # 1 to # 2	Conference Committee
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Means: The conference committee substituted the bill with substitute 2.

2/19/2021	Conference Committee Report	Conference Committee	6 0 0
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Means: The conference committee voted to approve the substitute with 6 yeas.

2/22/2021 (12:01:51 PM)	House Motion to Adopt Joint Conference Comm Rpt	Conference Committee	Voice vote
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Means: The House approved the conference committee changes with substitute 2.

2/22/2021 (12:02:45 PM)	House Conference Committee - Final Passage	Conference Committee	61 9 5
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Means: The House adopted the bill as changed by the conference committee.

2/22/2021 (12:02:46 PM)	House/ to Senate	Conference Committee
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Means: The bill was sent to the Senate.

2/22/2021	LFA/ fiscal note publicly available	Conference Committee	
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Means: The fiscal note was made available to the public.

2/22/2021	Senate Motion to Adopt Joint Conference Comm Rpt	Conference Committee	
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Means: The Senate made a motion to adopt the committee changes.

2/22/2021 (2:33:07 PM)	Senate Conference Committee - Final Passage	Clerk of the House	25 0 4
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Means: The Senate passed the bill with the committee changes.

2/22/2021 (2:33:08 PM)	Senate/ to House	Clerk of the House	
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Means: The Senate returned the bill to the House informing them that the Senate approved the report.

2/22/2021	House/ received from Senate	House Speaker	
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Means: The House received the bill and message.

2/22/2021	House/ signed by Speaker/ returned to Senate	Senate President	
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Means: The leader of the House signed the bill verifying it passed.

2/22/2021	House/ to Senate	Senate President	
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Means: The House sent it back to the Senate for signing.

2/23/2021	Senate/ received from House	Senate President	
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Means: The Senate received the bill.

2/23/2021	Senate/ signed by President/ sent for enrolling	Legislative Research and General Counsel / Enrolling	
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Means: The leader of the Senate signed the bill. It then went to enrolling to be finalized with the substitute.

2/24/2021	Bill Received from Senate for Enrolling	Legislative Research and General Counsel / Enrolling	
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Means: The Legislative Research and General Council received the bill to revise it.

2/24/2021	Draft of Enrolled Bill Prepared	Legislative Research and General Counsel / Enrolling	
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Means: The new draft of the bill with the changes was prepared.

3/12/2021	Enrolled Bill Returned to House or Senate	Senate Secretary	
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Means: The bill was returned to the Senate.

3/12/2021	Senate/ enrolled bill to Printing	Senate Secretary	
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Means: The Senate sent the bill out to be printed.

3/15/2021	Senate/ received enrolled bill from Printing	Senate Secretary	
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Means: The printed bill was received by the Senate.

3/15/2021

Senate/ to Governor

Executive Branch - Governor

Means: The Senate sent the bill to the Governor for signing.

3/16/2021

Governor Signed

Lieutenant Governor's office for filing

Means: The bill was signed into law.

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Example: H 420 from 2021

House	3/9/2021	P. 281		On Notice Calendar	Committee bill read the first time and placed on Notice Calendar on March 10, 2021
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Means: A look at the first item on the bill status page says that the committee bill was read a first time Mar 10. This is because the committee is the sponsor of the bill, so it takes action on it first.

HOW TO FOLLOW COMMITTEE PROGRESS

The first place to look for a bill status in committee is by clicking on the Committee Activity page.

[Tuesday, February 9, 2021](#)

[House Committee on Agriculture and Forestry](#)

Means: Under the Meetings subtab, the first committee meeting was Feb 9. Full List will bring up a list of dates, times, expected actions, those testifying and more.

Status **Committee Activity** **Staff & Other Information** Fiscal Information Committee of Conference **Act**

Although procedurally bills and resolutions are assigned to only one committee at a time, other committees may review the bill contains results from both the assigned committee as well as other committees.

Meetings **Documents** **Witnesses**

Committee Documents

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The Documents subtab shows bill amendments, testimonies, and more.

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[Documents/2022/WorkGroups/House Agriculture/Bills/H.420/H.420](#)

[Drafts, Amendments and Legal Documents](#)

Means: After selecting the committee under Documents, selecting Bill and then Drafts, Amendments and Legal Documents will bring up proposed changes to the bill.

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Bills sponsored by the committee, and bills reported out of committee. Includes bills where the committee has been relieved of responsibility.

Regular Session 2021-2022

Means: The committee page under Bill in/out of Committee shows whether a bill is still in committee or not.

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Wednesday, February 24, 2021	House Committee on Agriculture and Forestry
Tuesday, February 23, 2021	House Committee on Agriculture and Forestry
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Wednesday, February 10, 2021	House Committee on Agriculture and Forestry

Means: Going back to the meetings, there were 4 more meetings on the bill.

Thursday, February 25, 2021

House Committee on Ways and Means

Means: Next, there was a meeting in Ways & Means.

Friday, February 26, 2021

House Committee on Agriculture and Forestry

Friday, February 26, 2021

Committee(s): House Committee on Agriculture and Forestry

11:00 AM H.420 - An act relating to miscellaneous agricultural subjects

possible vote

Means: The bill had a final voting meeting in Agriculture & Forestry on Feb 26.

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Regular Session 2021-2022

H.420	An act relating to miscellaneous agricultural subjects	House Committee on Agriculture and Forestry	47
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Means: The bill passed committee. Now, the bill status page begins.

House	3/9/2021	P. 281		On Notice Calendar	Committee bill read the first time and placed on Notice Calendar on March 10, 2021
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Means: The bill had a 1st reading in the House. Since it already went to committee, it is placed on the calendar for a 2nd reading. Notice Calendar just provides updates on the bill.

House	3/11/2021	P. 300		House of Representatives	Read Second time
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Means: The bill had a 2nd reading.

House	3/11/2021	P. 300		House of Representatives	Rep. O'Brien of Tunbridge spoke for the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry
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Means: Since it is a committee bill, a legislator from the committee spoke in favor of it.

House	3/11/2021	P. 301		House of Representatives	Third Reading ordered
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Means: Bill was sent to a 3rd reading.

House	3/12/2021	P. 310		Passed House, in Senate	Read Third time and passed
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Means: The bill passed the House.

Senate	3/17/2021	P. 225		Senate floor action	Read 1st time & referred to Committee on Agriculture
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Means: The bill had a 1st reading in the Senate and was sent to committee.

Senate	5/5/2021		P. 1663	Notice Calendar	Entered on Notice Calendar
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Means: The bill passed committee and was placed on the Notice Calendar that it is to be heard a 2nd time. Notice Calendar just provides updates on the bill.

Senate	5/5/2021		P. 1663	Notice Calendar	Favorable report with proposal of amendment by Committee on Agriculture
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Means: The committee report was posted on the Notice Calendar, which shows that the bill passed with amendments.

Senate	5/5/2021	P. 759		Senate floor action	Referred to Committee on Appropriations per Senate Rule 31
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Means: The bill was sent to Appropriations. Rule 31 requires all bills with an appropriation of money to be sent to Appropriations.

Senate	5/6/2021		P. 1854	Notice Calendar	Entered on Notice Calendar
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Means: The bill passed Appropriations and was put on the Notice Calendar that it passed.

Senate	5/6/2021		P. 1854	Notice Calendar	Favorable report with proposal of amendment by Committee on Agriculture
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Means: The committee report was posted to the Notice Calendar.

Senate	5/6/2021		P. 1856	Notice Calendar	Favorable report by Committee on Appropriations
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Means: The appropriations committee report was posted on the Notice Calendar.

Senate	5/7/2021		P. 1890	Action Calendar	New Business/Second Reading
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Means: The bill was placed on the 2nd reading calendar. Action Calendar means the bill is scheduled to have action taken on it.

Senate	5/7/2021	P. 1890	Action Calendar	Favorable report with proposal of amendment by Committee on Agriculture
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Means: The Agriculture committee report was posted on the action calendar.

Senate	5/7/2021	P. 1892	Action Calendar	Favorable report by Committee on Appropriations
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Means: The Appropriations committee report was posted to the action calendar.

Senate	5/7/2021	P. 855	Senate floor action	Read 2nd time, reported favorably with proposal of amendment by Senator Pearson for Committee on Agriculture
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Means: The bill had a 2nd reading. The Agriculture committee report was read.

Senate	5/7/2021	P. 857	Senate floor action	Reported favorably by Senator Starr for Committee on Appropriations
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Means: The Appropriations report was read.

Senate	5/7/2021	P. 857	Senate floor action	Proposal of amendment by Committee on Agriculture agreed to
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Means: The Senate approved the committee amendments.

Senate	5/7/2021	P. 857	Senate floor action	3rd reading ordered
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Means: The Senate ordered the bill be scheduled for a 3rd reading.

Senate	5/11/2021	P. 1967	Action Calendar	New Business/Third Reading
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Means: The bill was scheduled for a 3rd reading in the Senate.

Senate	5/11/2021	P. 887		Senate floor action	Read 3rd time & passed in concurrence with proposal of amendment
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Means: The bill had a 3rd reading and passed the Senate as amended.

House	5/12/2021	P. 1122		House of Representatives	Senate Message, passed in concurrence with proposal of amendment
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Means: The Senate sent the bill and its proposed amendment to the House.

House	5/13/2021	P. 1150		House of Representatives	Rules suspended and taken up for immediate consideration as moved by Rep. McCoy of Poultney
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Means: The House voted to suspend the rules so that the amendments could be immediately considered.

House	5/13/2021	P. 1151		Passed House and Senate	Senate proposal of amendment concurred in
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Means: The House approved the Senate amendments.

Senate	5/14/2021	P. 1022		Senate floor action	House message: House concurred in Senate proposal of amendment
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Means: The House notified the Senate that it approved their amendments.

House	5/21/2021			Delivered to Governor	Delivered to the Governor on May 26, 2021
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Means: The bill was sent to the Governor for signing.

Senate	5/21/2021	P. 1428		Senate floor action	House message: Governor approved bill on June 1, 2021
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House	5/21/2021	P. 1658		Signed by Governor	Signed by Governor on June 1, 2021
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Means: The bill was signed into law. The House then notified the Senate that it was signed.

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Example: HB from 2021

01/22/21 House: Presented and ordered printed with emergency clause 21103594D

Means: The bill was introduced and declared an emergency bill.

01/22/21 House: Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

Means: The bill was sent to committee.

01/26/21 House: Reported from Health, Welfare and Institutions with substitute (22-Y 0-N)

Means: The bill passed committee with a substitute. Reported means it was sent back to the House with the bill and report.

01/26/21 House: Committee substitute printed 21103636D-H1

Means: The committee substitute was printed out. H1 = House amendment 1. The rest is the printer number.

01/26/21 House: Incorporates HB2328 (Byron)

Means: The text of HB2328 was added to the bill. Byron is the sponsor.

01/26/21 House: Read first time

Means: The bill had a 1st reading in the House.

01/26/21 House: Constitutional readings dispensed (96-Y 0-N)

Means: The House voted to bypass the 2nd and 3rd reading of the bill.

01/26/21 House: VOTE: Agree To (96-Y 0-N)

Means: Lists the votes to bypass the readings.

01/26/21 House: Committee substitute agreed to 21103636D-H1

Means: The House adopted the committee substitute.

01/26/21 House: Pending question ordered

Means: House asked for questions about the bill.

01/26/21 House: Engrossed by House - committee substitute HB2333H1

Means: The committee substitute was added to the bill. Engrossed means any approved changes are added to the bill. The engrossed committee substitute is renumbered with the bill number (HB2333) and then the House engrossed number (H1).

01/26/21 House: Passed House (97-Y 0-N)

Means: The bill passed the House.

01/26/21 House: VOTE: Passage (97-Y 0-N)

Means: Lists the votes to pass the bill.

01/27/21 Senate: Constitutional reading dispensed

Means: The Senate voted to bypass the 1st reading.

01/27/21 Senate: Referred to Committee on Education and Health

Means: The bill was sent to committee.

01/28/21 Senate: Reported from Education and Health with substitute (15-Y 0-N)

Means: The bill passed the committee with a substitute. Reported means the bill and report were sent back to the Senate.

01/28/21 Senate: Committee substitute printed 21103922D-S1

Means: The committee substitute was printed out. S1 = Senate amendment 1. The rest is the printer number.

01/29/21 Senate: Read second time

Means: The bill had a 2nd reading in the Senate.

02/01/21 Senate: Read third time

Means: The bill was read a 3rd time in the Senate.

02/01/21 Senate: Reading of substitute waived

Means: The Senate voted not to read the substitute.

02/01/21 Senate: Committee substitute agreed to 21103922D-S1

Means: The Senate adopted the committee substitute.

02/01/21 Senate: Reading of amendment #1 waived

Means: A Senate floor amendment was introduced. The Senate voted not to read it.

02/01/21 Senate: Passed by temporarily

Means: The Senate temporarily delayed taking action on the bill.

02/01/21 Senate: Reading of amendment #2 waived

Means: Amendment 2 was introduced. The Senate voted not to read it.

02/01/21 Senate: Amendments #1 and #2 by Senator Dunnavant agreed to

Means: The Senate approved both amendments 1 & 2.

02/01/21 Senate: Engrossed by Senate - committee substitute with amendments HB2333S1

Means: Engrossed means the substitute and approved amendments were added into the bill. It was then renumbered with S1.

02/01/21 Senate: Passed Senate with substitute with amendments (39-Y 0-N)

Means: The bill passed the Senate with the changes.

02/02/21 Senate: Reconsideration of Senate passage agreed to by Senate (37-Y 0-N)

Means: A motion was made to reconsider the vote and the Senate agreed.

02/02/21 Senate: Amendment by Senator Dunnavant reconsidered (36-Y 1-N)

Means: The Senate agreed to reconsider the 2 amendments.

02/02/21 Senate: Amendment #2 by Senator Dunnavant rejected

Means: The Senate then rejected Amendment 2.

02/02/21 Senate: Reading of amendment waived

Means: The Senate voted to bypass the reading of Amendment 3.

02/02/21 Senate: Amendment #3 by Senator Dunnivant agreed to

Means: The Senate approved Amendment 3.

02/02/21 Senate: Engrossed by Senate - committee substitute with amendments HB2333S1

Means: The bill was re-engrossed with the substitute and Amendment 3 that passed and without Amendment 2 that was rejected.

02/02/21 Senate: Passed Senate with substitute with amendments (37-Y 0-N)

Means: The bill passed the Senate with the changes.

02/04/21 House: Placed on Calendar

Means: The House placed the bill on the calendar so that the Senate changes could be heard.

02/04/21 House: Senate substitute with amendments agreed to by House 21103922D-S1 (97-Y 0-N)

Means: The House approved the Senate changes.

02/04/21 House: VOTE: Adoption (97-Y 0-N)

Means: The House voted on the revised bill and passed it.

02/04/21 House: Reconsideration of Senate substitute with amendments agreed to by House

Means: A motion was made to reconsider the House vote and the House agreed.

02/04/21 House: Senate substitute with amendments agreed to by House (99-Y 0-N)

Means: The House again approved the Senate changes.

02/04/21 House: VOTE: Adoption #2 (99-Y 0-N)

Means: The bill was again approved by the House.

02/08/21 House: Enrolled

Means: The bill was finalized with all the changes added in.

02/08/21 House: Bill text as passed House and Senate (HB2333ER)

Means: This provides the enrolled bill text. The ER at the end of the bill number means enrolled.

02/10/21 House: Signed by Speaker

02/10/21 Senate: Signed by President

Means: The bill was signed by the leaders of the House and Senate.

02/11/21 House: Enrolled Bill communicated to Governor on February 11, 2021

02/11/21 Governor: Governor's Action Deadline 11:59 p.m., March 10, 2021

Means: The bill was sent to the Governor and given a signing deadline.

02/15/21 Governor: Approved by Governor-Chapter 1 (effective 2/15/21)

02/15/21 Governor: Acts of Assembly Chapter text (CHAP0001)

Means: The bill was signed into law and given a chapter number. The 1 means this is the first bill that became law.

WASHINGTON

Example: SB 5253 from 2021

Abbreviations: <https://app.leg.wa.gov/bi/home/helpwithabbreviations>

NOTE: The green links after a status are links to relevant documents.

Bill History

2021 REGULAR SESSION

Jan 18 First reading, referred to Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources & Parks. [\(View Original Bill\)](#)

Means: The bill had a 1st reading and was sent to committee.

Feb 2 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources & Parks at 1:30 PM. [\(Committee Materials\)](#)

Means: The committee scheduled a public hearing. Committee Materials is a link to the agenda and relevant documents.

Feb 4 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources & Parks at 1:30 PM. [\(Committee Materials\)](#)
AWNPN - Majority: 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass. [\(View 1st Substitute\)](#) [\(Majority Report\)](#)
And refer to Ways & Means.

Means: A majority of Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources & Parks (AWNPN) members voted to pass (do pass) the bill with a 1st substitute. Executive action means the committee voted on the bill. Since there is no minority report, the vote was unanimous. The committee then recommended sending the bill to Ways & Means.

Feb 5 Referred to Ways & Means.

Means: The bill was sent to Ways & Means.

Feb 19 Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 9:00 AM. [\(Committee Materials\)](#)

Means: A hearing was scheduled by Ways & Means for Feb 19.

Feb 22 Executive action taken in the Senate Committee on Ways & Means at 9:30 AM. [\(Committee Materials\)](#)
WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass. [\(View 2nd Substitute\)](#) [\(Majority Report\)](#)
Minority; without recommendation. [\(Minority Report\)](#)
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Means: A majority of Ways & Means (WM) members voted to pass (do pass) the bill with a 2nd substitute. This time, there is a minority report of no recommendation, meaning they have no recommendation on whether the bill should pass or not. Then, the bill was sent to Rules. The Rules committee schedules the bill.

Mar 1 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

Means: The bill was scheduled for a 2nd reading.

Mar 3 **2nd substitute bill substituted (WM 21).** [\(View 2nd Substitute\)](#)
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 49; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 0. [\(View Roll Calls\)](#)

Means: The bill had a 2nd reading where the 2nd substitute version of the bill was approved. The Rules to wait a day or more before a 3rd reading were suspended, and the bill was scheduled for a 3rd reading. The bill then passed the Senate.

IN THE HOUSE

Mar 5 First reading, referred to Rural Development, Agriculture & Natural Resources.

Means: The bill had a 1st reading in the House and was sent to committee.

Mar 17 Public hearing in the House Committee on Rural Development, Agriculture & Natural Resources at 10:00 AM. [\(Committee Materials\)](#)

Means: A public hearing was scheduled.

Mar 24 Executive action taken in the House Committee on Rural Development, Agriculture & Natural Resources at 10:00 AM. [\(Committee Materials\)](#)
RDAN - Majority; do pass with amendment(s). [\(Majority Report\)](#)

Means: Rural Development, Agriculture & Natural Resources (RDAN) voted on the bill (executive action) and passed it with a majority vote to pass it with amendments (do pass with amendment(s)).

Mar 26 Referred to Appropriations.

Means: The bill was sent to Appropriations.

Apr 1 Public hearing and executive action taken in the House Committee on Appropriations at 9:00 AM. [\(Committee Materials\)](#)
APP - Majority; do pass with amendment(s) by Rural Development, Agriculture & Natural Resources. [\(Majority Report\)](#)

Means: The bill had a public hearing and vote (executive action) on Apr 1 with a majority of members voting to pass it with amendments (do pass with amendment(s)).

Apr 2 Referred to Rules 2 Review.

Means: Rules Review determines whether to schedule the bill for a 2nd reading.

Apr 6 Rules Committee relieved of further consideration. Placed on second reading.

Means: Committees can be relieved of a bill by a majority vote of the House or Senate. This means they no longer have to take action on it. The bill was then scheduled for a 2nd reading.

Apr 7 Committee amendment(s) adopted with no other amendments.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed; yeas, 97; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 1. [\(View Roll Calls\)](#)

Means: The bill had a 2nd reading where the House approved the committee amendments and introduced no new amendments. The rules were suspended to wait a day or so for a 3rd reading, and the bill was scheduled for a 3rd reading. It then passed the House.

IN THE SENATE

Apr 14 Senate concurred in House amendments.
Passed final passage; yeas, 48; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 1. [\(View Roll Calls\)](#)

Means: The Senate voted and concurred in, or approved, the House amendments. It then passed the bill with the changes.

Apr 20 President signed.

Means: The leader of the Senate signed the bill verifying it passed.

IN THE HOUSE

Apr 23 Speaker signed.

Means: The leader of the House signed the bill verifying it passed.

OTHER THAN LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Apr 26 Delivered to Governor. [\(View Bill as Passed Legislature\)](#)

Means: The bill was sent to the governor for signing.

May 12 Governor signed.
Chapter 278, 2021 Laws. [\(View Session Law\)](#)
Effective date 7/25/2021.

Means: The bill was signed into law and given a chapter number. 278 means it is the 278th bill to become law that year.

WEST VIRGINIA

Example: SB 182 from 2021

S	Filed for introduction	02/11/21	
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Means: The bill was filed in the Senate.

S	To Judiciary	02/11/21	
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Means: The bill was temporarily sent to committee.

S	Introduced in Senate	02/11/21	9
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Means: The bill was officially introduced in the Senate.

S	To Judiciary	02/11/21	9
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Means: The bill was officially sent to committee.

S	Committee substitute reported	02/19/21	4
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Means: The bill passed committee with a substitute and sent the report and bill back to the Senate (reported).

S	On 1st reading	02/22/21	
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Means: The bill was scheduled for a 1st reading in the Senate.

S	Read 1st time	02/22/21	18
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Means: The bill had a 1st reading in the Senate.

S	On 2nd reading	02/23/21	
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Means: The bill was scheduled for a 2nd reading.

S	Read 2nd time	02/23/21	16
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Means: The bill had a 2nd reading.

S	On 3rd reading	02/24/21	
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Means: The bill was scheduled for a 3rd reading.

S	Read 3rd time	02/24/21	13
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Means: The bill had a 3rd reading.

S	<u>Passed Senate (Roll No. 32)</u>	02/24/21	13
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Means: The bill passed the Senate. Roll means it was a roll call vote where they called each legislator's name and took their vote.

S	<u>Effective from passage (Roll No. 32)</u>	02/24/21	14
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Means: The Senate voted to make the bill take effect immediately.

S	Ordered to House	02/24/21	14
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Means: The Senate requested the bill be sent to the House.

H	Introduced in House	02/25/21	
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Means: The bill was formally introduced in the House.

H	To Government Organization	02/25/21	
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Means: The House agreed to send it to Government Organization committee.

H	To House Government Organization	02/25/21	
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Means: The bill was sent to committee.

H	With amendment, do pass	03/17/21	
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Means: The bill passed committee with an amendment.

H	On 1st reading, Special Calendar	03/18/21	
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Means: The bill was scheduled for a 1st reading and was placed on the Special Calendar.

H	Read 1st time	03/18/21	
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Means: The bill had a 1st reading.

H	On 2nd reading, Special Calendar	03/19/21	
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Means: The bill was scheduled for a 2nd reading.

H	Read 2nd time	03/19/21	
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Means: The bill had a 2nd reading.

H	Amendment to committee amendment adopted (voice)	03/19/21	
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Means: The House introduced and approved a floor amendment by voice vote. Voice vote means they voted as a group to approve it.

H	Committee amendment adopted (Voice vote)	03/19/21	
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Means: The House approved the committee amendment.

H	On 3rd reading, Special Calendar	03/22/21	
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Means: The bill was scheduled for a 3rd reading.

H	Read 3rd time	03/22/21	
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Means: The bill had a 3rd reading.

H	<u>Passed House (Roll No. 236)</u>	03/22/21	
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Means: The bill passed the House.

H	Title amendment adopted (Voice vote)	03/22/21	
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Means: The House also approved an amendment to change the bill title.

H	Effective from passage (Roll No. 237)	03/22/21	
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Means: The House also voted by roll call vote to make the bill effective immediately.

H	Communicated to Senate	03/22/21	
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Means: The House sent the bill and a message that it passed the House with amendments to the Senate.

S	House Message received	03/23/21	5
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Means: The Senate received the message.

S	Senate concurred in House amendments and passed bill (Roll No. 170)	03/23/21	5-12
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Means: The Senate concurred in, or approved, the House amendments and passed the bill with the changes.

S	Effective from passage (Roll No. 170)	03/23/21	13
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Means: The Senate voted to make the bill effective immediately.

S	Communicated to House	03/23/21	13
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Means: The Senate sent the House a message that it approved their amendments.

S	Completed legislative action	03/23/21	
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Means: The bill passed both the House and Senate.

H	House received Senate message	03/24/21	
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Means: The House received the message of the Senate approval of their amendments.

S	To Governor 3/25/21	03/25/21	
H	To Governor 3/25/21 - House Journal	03/25/21	

Means: The bill was sent to the governor for signing.

Effective from passage - (March 23, 2021)			
S	Chapter 174, Acts, Regular Session, 2021	05/24/21	
H	Approved by Governor 3/31/21 - House Journal	04/01/21	
S	Approved by Governor 3/31/21 - Senate Journal	04/01/21	69
S	Approved by Governor 3/31/21	03/31/21	

Means: The bill was signed into law. Notice of its approval was entered in the Senate and House Journals. The bill was given a chapter number.

WISCONSIN

Example: SB 54 from 2021

1/28/2021 Sen. Introduced by Senators Stafsholt, Petrowski, Cowles and Felzkowski; cosponsored by Representatives Callahan, Magnafici, Horlacher, Rozar, Edming, Spiros, Tittl, Kurtz, VanderMeer and Skowronski 76

Means: The bill was introduced. Lists the legislators that introduced it and the current cosponsors. The 76 is the Senate Journal page this is listed on.

1/28/2021 Sen. Read first time and referred to [Committee on Sporting Heritage, Small Business and Rural Issues](#) 76

Means: The bill had a 1st reading and was sent to committee.

1/29/2021 Sen. Representative [Moses](#) added as a cosponsor 78

Means: A cosponsor was added to the bill. Cosponsors can be added throughout the process. This report only shows one for an example.

2/2/2021 Sen. Public hearing held

Means: The committee had a public hearing on the bill.

2/8/2021 Sen. Executive action taken

Means: The committee voted on the bill.

2/9/2021 Sen. Report passage recommended by [Committee on Sporting Heritage, Small Business and Rural Issues](#), Ayes 5, Noes 0 99

Means: The bill passed committee with 5 ayes.

2/9/2021 Sen. Available for scheduling

Means: The bill is ready to be scheduled for a 2nd reading.

2/12/2021 Sen. Placed on calendar 2-16-2021 pursuant to Senate Rule 18(1)

110

Means: The bill was scheduled for a 2nd reading. Rule 18(1) states that bills that pass committee must be sent to Committee on Senate Organization which is required to schedule the bill.

2/16/2021 Sen. Read a second time

120

Means: The bill had a 2nd reading.

2/16/2021 Sen. Ordered to a third reading

120

Means: The Senate ordered that it be scheduled for a 3rd reading.

2/16/2021 Sen. Rules suspended

120

Means: The Senate then voted to suspend the rules so that the 3rd reading could take place immediately.

2/16/2021 Sen. Read a third time and passed

120

Means: The bill passed the Senate.

2/16/2021 Sen. Ordered immediately messaged

120

Means: The Senate order the bill be immediately sent to the House with a message that the Senate passed it.

2/16/2021 Asm. Received from Senate

78

Means: The House received the bill. Asm. = Assembly and is the same as the House.

3/11/2021 Asm. Read first time and referred to committee on Rules

132

Means: The bill had a 1st reading in the House and was sent to Rules.

3/11/2021 Asm. Placed on calendar 3-17-2021 by Committee on Rules

Means: The bill was scheduled in the House (Assembly).

3/17/2021 Asm. Rules suspended to withdraw from calendar and take up

152

Means: The House (Assembly) voted to remove the bill from the calendar so that it could be considered immediately instead of hearing it in order.

3/17/2021 Asm. Read a second time

152

Means: The bill had a 2nd reading.

3/17/2021 Asm. Ordered to a third reading

153

Means: The House (Assembly) ordered the bill be scheduled for a 3rd reading.

3/17/2021 Asm. Rules suspended

153

Means: The House (Assembly) suspended the rules so that the bill could have a 3rd reading immediately.

3/17/2021 Asm. Read a third time and concurred in

153

Means: The House (Assembly) passed the bill.

3/17/2021 Asm. Ordered immediately messaged

153

Means: The House (Assembly) ordered the bill and a message of its passage be immediately sent to the Senate.

3/17/2021 Sen. Received from Assembly concurred in

195

Means: The Senate received the bill and message.

3/24/2021 Sen. Report correctly enrolled

212

Means: Enrolled means the bill was finalized with all amendments added in.

3/25/2021 Sen. Presented to the Governor on 3-25-2021

219

Means: The bill was sent to the Governor for signing.

3/29/2021 Sen. Report approved by the Governor on 3-26-2021. [2021 Wisconsin Act 16](#)

221

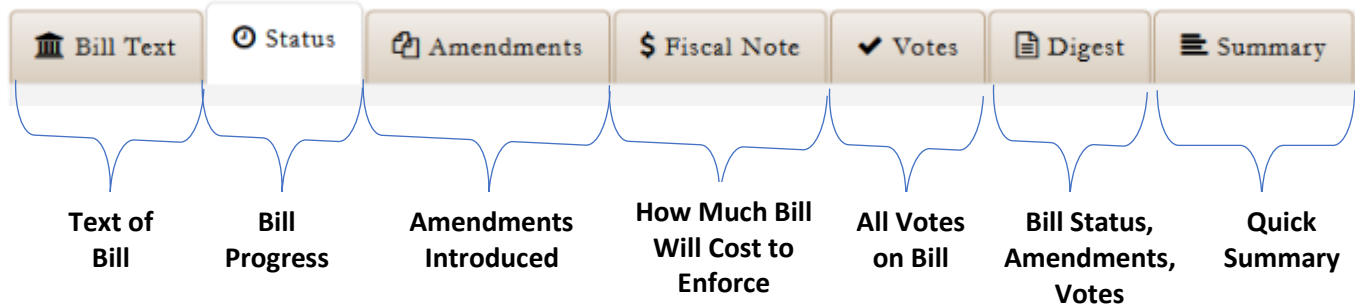
3/29/2021 Sen. Published 3-27-2021

221

Means: The governor signed the bill into law and it was given an act number. This is the 16th bill to become law this year.

WYOMING

Example: SF 25 from 2021



12/30/2020	Bill Number Assigned	LSO	
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Means: The bill was given a number by the Legislative Service Office (LSO). Blue background = LSO.

01/12/2021	S Received for Introduction	Senate	
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Means: The Senate officially received the bill. Light Green = Senate.

01/12/2021	S Introduced and Referred to S05 - Agriculture	Senate	
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Means: The Senate officially introduced the bill and sent it to committee. This means the bill had a 1st reading by title and sponsor. Committees are given a committee number. S05 means Senate committee number 05. Agriculture is short for Agriculture, State and Public Lands & Water Resources.

01/27/2021	S05 - Agriculture:Recommend Do Pass 5-0-0-0-0	Senate	Details
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Means: The bill passed committee with 5 Ayes votes, 0 Nays, 0 Excused, 0 Absent, 0 Conflict. Clicking details brings up the votes, or use the Votes tab.

01/27/2021	S Placed on General File	Senate	
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Means: The bill was scheduled to be heard. General File means it is scheduled for the Committee of the Whole, which is a committee of the entire Senate that meets to discuss bills.

01/28/2021	S COW:Rerefer to S01 - Judiciary	Senate	
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Means: The Committee of the Whole (COW) voted to send the bill to Judiciary committee.

03/03/2021	S01 - Judiciary:Recommend Amend and Do Pass 5-0-0-0-0	Senate	Details
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Means: The Judiciary committee passed the bill with an amendment.

03/03/2021	S Placed on General File	Senate	
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Means: The bill was again scheduled on the General File to be heard by the Committee of the Whole.

03/04/2021	S COW:Passed	Senate	
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Means: The Committee of the Whole passed the bill. The committee cannot actually pass the bill out of the Senate.

03/05/2021	S 2nd Reading:Passed	Senate	
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Means: The bill passed a 2nd reading in the Senate.

03/08/2021	S 3rd Reading:Passed 24-6-0-0-0	Senate	Details
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Means: The bill passed the Senate with 24 Ayes and 6 Nays.

03/09/2021	H Received for Introduction	House	
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Means: The House received the bill. Light yellow background = House.

03/10/2021	H Introduced and Referred to H05 - Agriculture	House	
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Means: The bill was officially introduced and sent to committee. Note that the committee number now has an H.

03/18/2021	H05 - Agriculture:Recommend Amend and Do Pass 8-1-0-0-0	House	Details
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Means: The bill passed committee with amendments.

03/18/2021	H Placed on General File	House	
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Means: The bill was scheduled on the General File to be heard by the Committee of the Whole.

03/24/2021	H COW:Passed	House	
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Means: The Committee of the Whole passed the bill.

03/25/2021	H 2nd Reading:Passed	House	
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Means: The bill passed a 2nd reading.

03/26/2021	H 3rd Reading:Laid Back	House	
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Means: The bill was scheduled for a 3rd reading but was laid back, or held back, temporarily. It usually means the bill came up on the agenda but was moved further down the agenda to be heard later.

03/29/2021	H 3rd Reading:Passed 40-19-1-0-0	House	Details
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Means: The bill passed the House.

03/29/2021	S Received for Concurrence	Senate	
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Means: The Senate received the House amendments so that it can concur, or approve them.

03/30/2021	S Concur:Failed 1-28-1-0-0	Senate	Details
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Means: The Senate did not concur, or approve of, the House amendments.

03/30/2021	S Appointed JCC01 Members	Senate	
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Means: The Senate appointed members to the Joint Conference Committee (JCC) to work on the differences.

03/30/2021	H Appointed JCC01 Members	House	
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Means: The House appointed its members to the committee.

04/02/2021	Assigned Number SEA No. 0059	LSO	
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Means: A look at this status reveals that some steps are missing here.

Step 1: Look at the Amendments tab to see the conference committee report. JC001 after the bill number means Joint Conference 01.

SF0025JC001	Conference Committee		S Adopted, H Adopted
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Step 2: Next, look at the votes tab to see the votes on the report. The conference committee report was approved by both the House and Senate.

SF0025JC001:S Adopted SF0025JC001: 24-5-1-0-0
SF0025JC001:H Adopted SF0025JC001: 51-8-1-0-0

04/02/2021	Assigned Number SEA No. 0059	LSO	
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Means: After the committee report was approved, the bill was engrossed, or had the changes added to it. The bill is given a new number. SEA = Senate Enrolled Act.

04/02/2021	H Speaker Signed SEA No. 0059	House	
04/02/2021	S President Signed SEA No. 0059	Senate	

Means: The leaders of the House and Senate signed the enrolled bill verifying it was correct and that it passed.

04/06/2021	Assigned Chapter Number 119	LSO	
04/06/2021	Governor Signed SEA No. 0059	Governor	

Means: The bill was signed into law and given a chapter number. This is the 119th bill to become law.