

Secrets of Citizen Lobbying

How YOU Can Influence State Laws
BEFORE They're Put into Place

State Senator

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U.S. Capitol



Process, People, & Profits

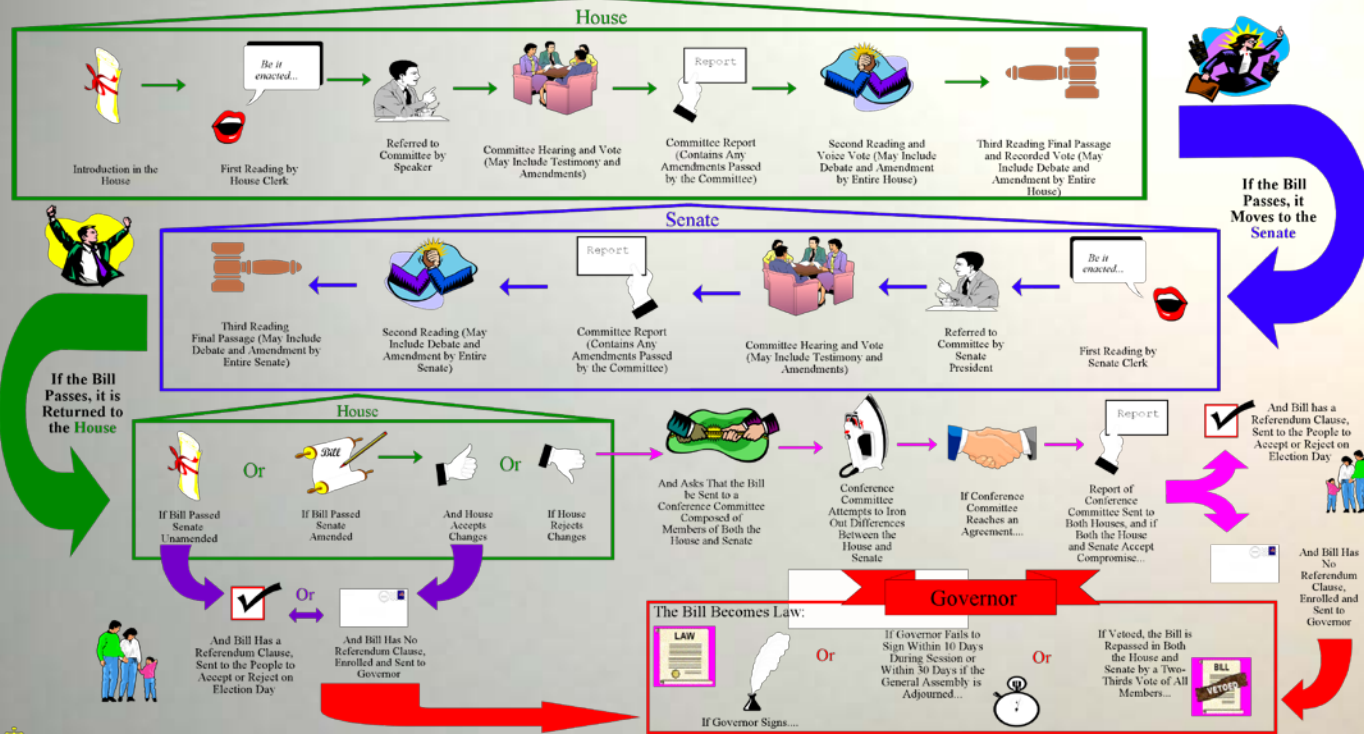
What YOU can do about it!

**You've gotta
know!**



So, what's the process?

How a Bill Becomes Colorado Law*



Office of Legislative Legal Services, Colorado General Assembly, October 2001

* Assumes Bill is a House bill, a Senate Bill Follows a Similar Process Beginning in the Senate

CLLS\Bill becomes law chart.wpd

People and Profits




Stakeholder meetings
Legislator one-on-ones
Calls and emails

A Map and a Plan

Strategize
and
Watch deadlines





Do your research

- Why and who behind bill/issue
- Who's against?
- What?
- Where?
- Any other laws before or...?

Have the right tools

NEUAC



AARP

Volunteers...

Alliances...

*Fact Sheets—
a MUST!*



**Have back-up plans
and
Get thee to the Capitol!**

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