

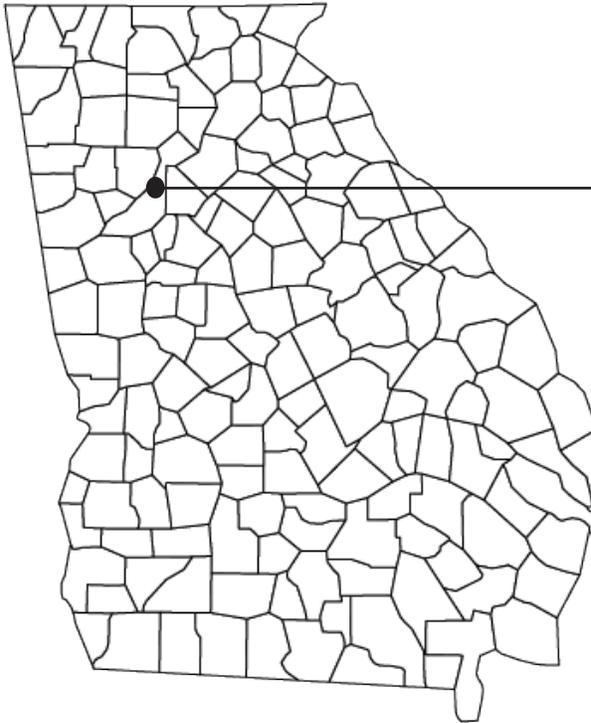
HOW THE LEGISLATURE WORKS



Georgia elects from two houses

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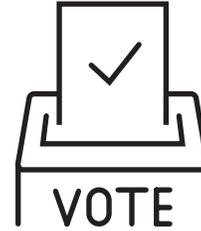
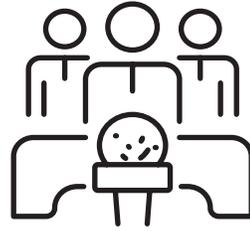
LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS



56
SENATORS
2 year terms

180
HOUSE MEMBERS
2 year terms

LEGISLATORS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR



**Drafting &
introducing bills**

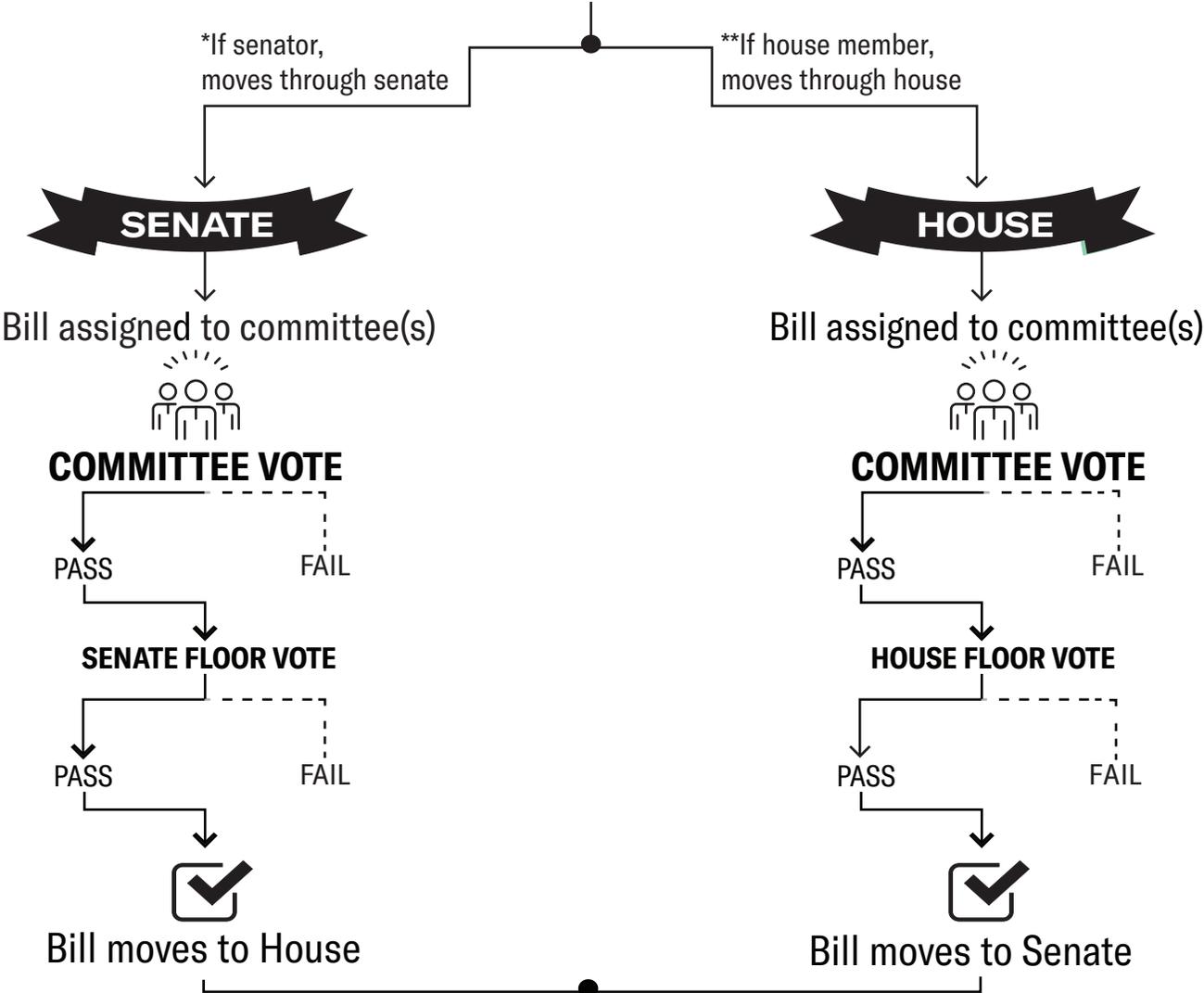
**Debating the
merits of bills**

**Voting to pass
or kill bills**

HOW A BILL BECOMES A LAW



GEORGIA LEGISLATOR INTRODUCES A BILL



BILL PASSES IN BOTH HOUSES



VETO POCKET VETO

APPROVE



BILL BECOMES LAW!

If the bill is sent during the legislative session, the Governor has six days to veto, or reject, the bill. If transmitted on the last day of session, he has 40 days to veto a bill. The General Assembly may override gubernatorial vetoes with two-thirds majority votes in each house during the next legislative session.

If the Governor neither approves nor vetoes the bill before the deadline, then the bill is approved by default in a procedure known as a pocket veto.

**Bills that start with "SB" are introduced in the Senate.
**Bills that start with "HB" are introduced in the House.*