Bills can originate in either the House or the Senate.

1. **INTRODUCE LEGISLATION**
   - Unrestricted in the first 60 days of session.

2. **1st READING**
   - In the House & referral to Committee by Speaker.

3. **COMMITTEE WORK**
   - Committee chair must choose to schedule a hearing on the bill.

4. **2nd READING**
   - Majority vote required.

5. **SENT TO OPPOSITE CHAMBER**

6. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**
   - Fiscal impact statement is & any analysis made available.

7. **COMMITTEE REPORT**
   - Majority vote of committee required.

8. **RECONCILE DIFFERENCES**
   - Both the House & Senate must pass Conference Committee Report.

9. **VOTE**
   - 2/3 vote required to bring bill to senate floor.

10. **ENGROSSED BILL**
    - 2/3 vote required.

11. **3rd READING**
    - Majority vote required.

12. **SENATE REPORT**
    - Majority vote required.

13. **CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT**
    - Veto can be overridden by 2/3 vote of House & Senate.

14. **SIGNED BILL**
    - Signing by Speaker & Lt. Gov., sent to the Governor.

15. **UNSIGNED BILL**
    - The Governor.

16. **TEXAS LEGISLATURE FACTS**
    - 140 Days in Session • 150 House Members • 31 Senate Members

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