



Senate President Donna Mercado Kim

~ Senatorial District 14 ~

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January 6, 2015

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

I hope you are enjoying 2015 so far.

You are invited to attend the Opening Day Ceremony for the convening of the 28th Legislature on January 21 at 10:00 am. After the Ceremony, please stop by my office at the State Capitol, Room 409, to say hello and to add your name to my memory book.

As the Legislature begins to take up measures for this session, I encourage you to become involved in your Government. You can have your voice heard on pending legislation through the website www.capitol.hawaii.gov. You can also contact my office at 587-7200 if you have any questions or concerns.

Government is only as good as its citizens, so please take full advantage of the opportunity to use these rights and privileges.

I look forward to working with my Senate and House colleagues for a successful 2015 session.

Aloha,

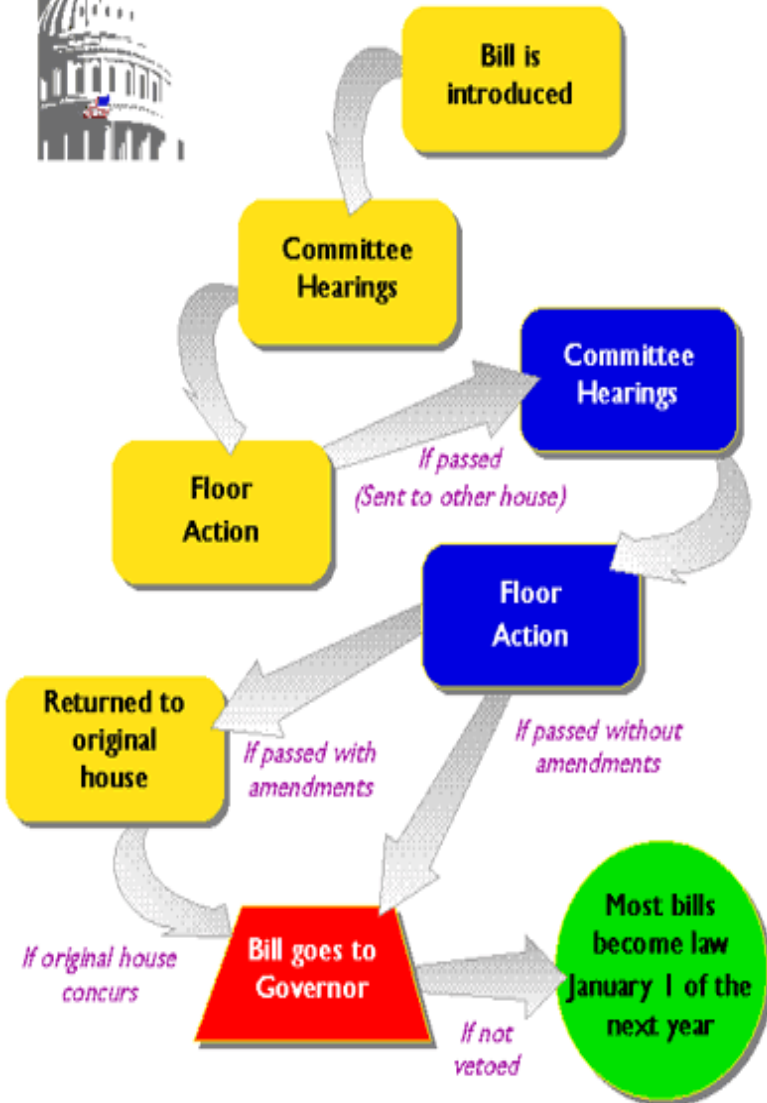


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How a Bill Becomes a Law



2015 Legislative Timetable

JANUARY

- 21— Opening Day
- 23—Non-Admin Bill Cutoff
- 26—State of the State Address;
Admin Bill Package Cutoff
- 28—State of the Judiciary Address;
- 29—Bill Intro Cutoff
- 30—Grants/Subsidies Cutoff

MARCH

- 6—First Decking
- 12—First Crossover (Bills)
- 13- Substantive Reso Cutoff
- 16—Budget Decking
- 18—Budget Crossover

APRIL

- 9 --First Crossover (Concurrent Reso)
- 10—Second Decking
- 16 Second Crossover (Bills) & Disagree
- 24—Constitutional Amendments
- 27—Second Crossover (Concurrent Reso)
- 30—Final Decking (Non-Fiscal Bills)

MAY

- 1- Final Decking (Fiscal Bills)
- 7—Adjournment Sine Die

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