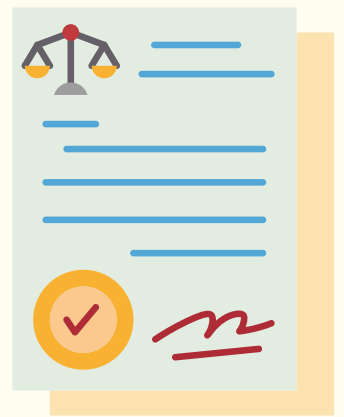


# How a bill becomes a law in Nebraska



## LET'S TAKE A TRIP AROUND THE CAPITOL

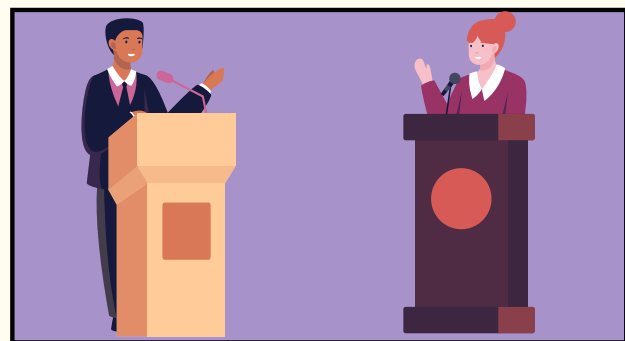
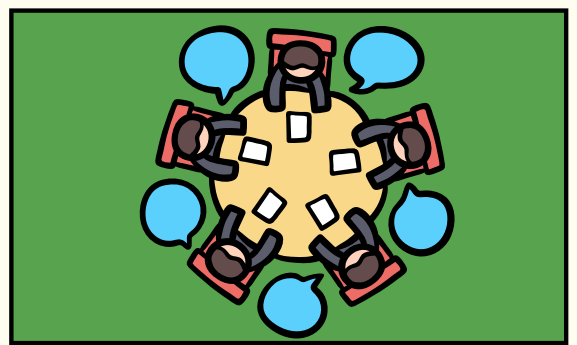


### COMMITTEE HEARING

A senator introduces the bill and the committee holds a public hearing.

### COMMITTEE MEETS IN AN EXECUTIVE SESSION

In a closed door meeting, the committee votes to **advance, hold or kill the bill**

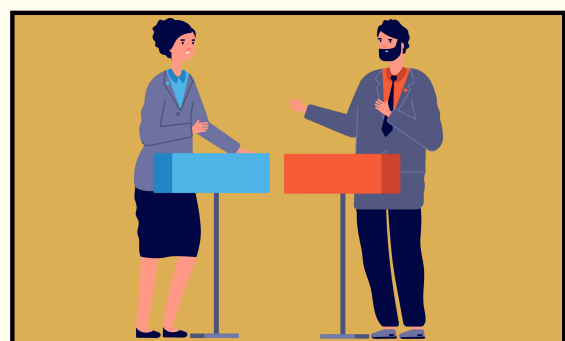


### 1ST ROUND OF DEBATE: GENERAL FILE

The senator introduces the bill on the floor and the senators debate

### REVISE & AMEND

Senators may draft amendments to revise the bill.

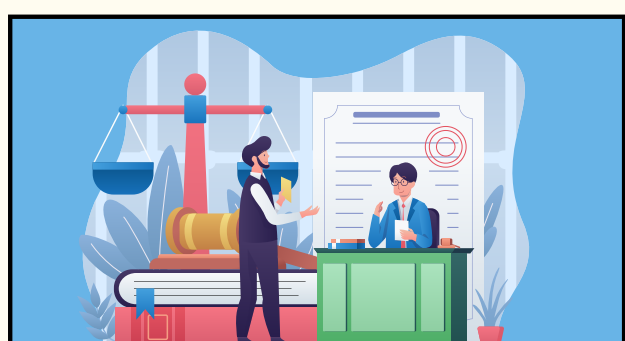


### 2ND ROUND OF DEBATE: SELECT FILE

Bill returns to the unicameral floor and senators debate

### 3RD ROUND OF DEBATE: FINAL READING

The entire bill is read aloud and then senators **vote to pass or fail**



### THE GOVERNOR DECIDES

They can **sign, decline to sign, or veto** the bill.

*A vetoed bill returns to the legislature for a chance at a **veto override**.*

### BILL BECOMES A LAW

If the governor **signs the bill, declines to sign but doesn't veto, or a veto is overridden**, the bill becomes a law! It will go into effect within 3 months.

