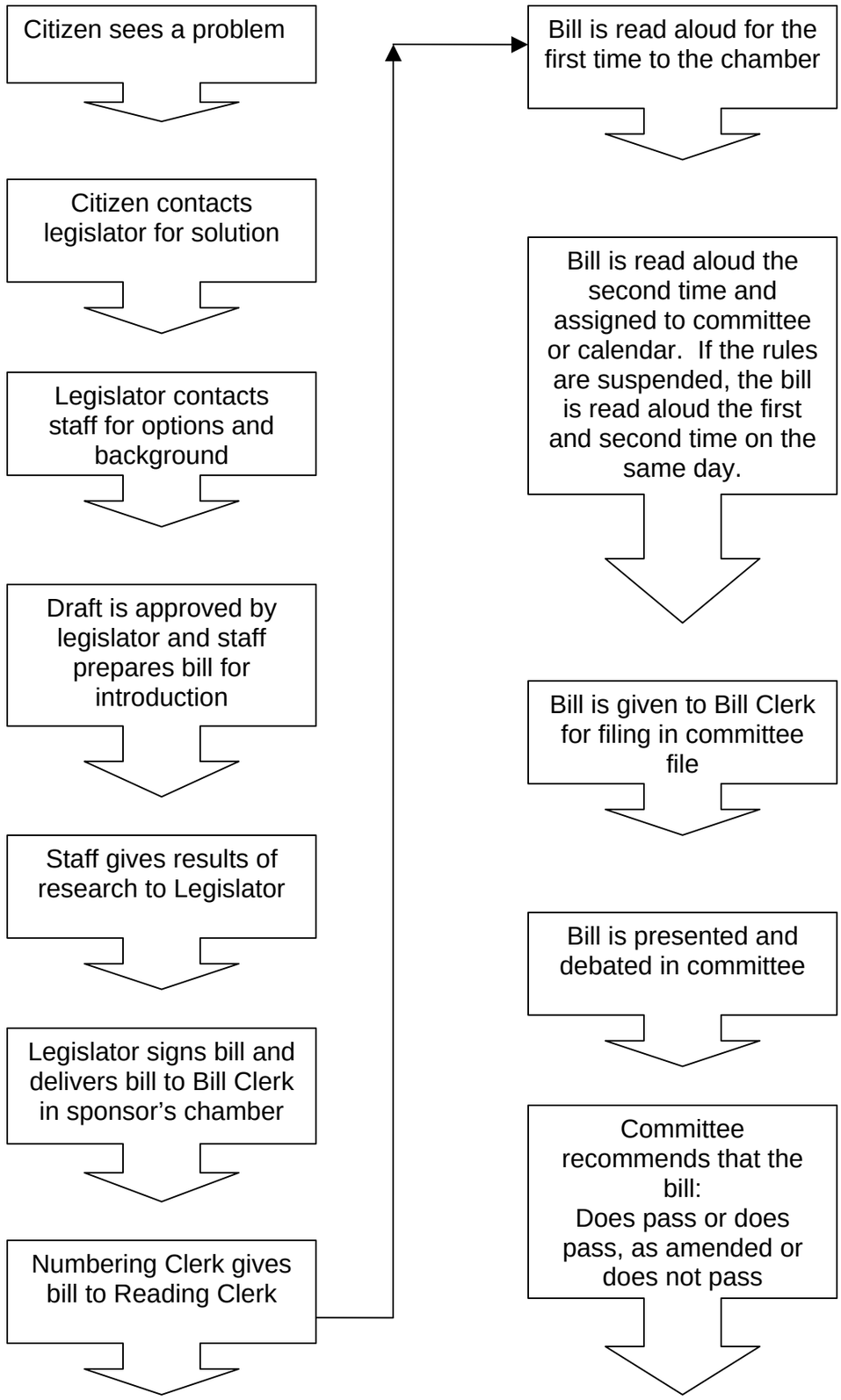
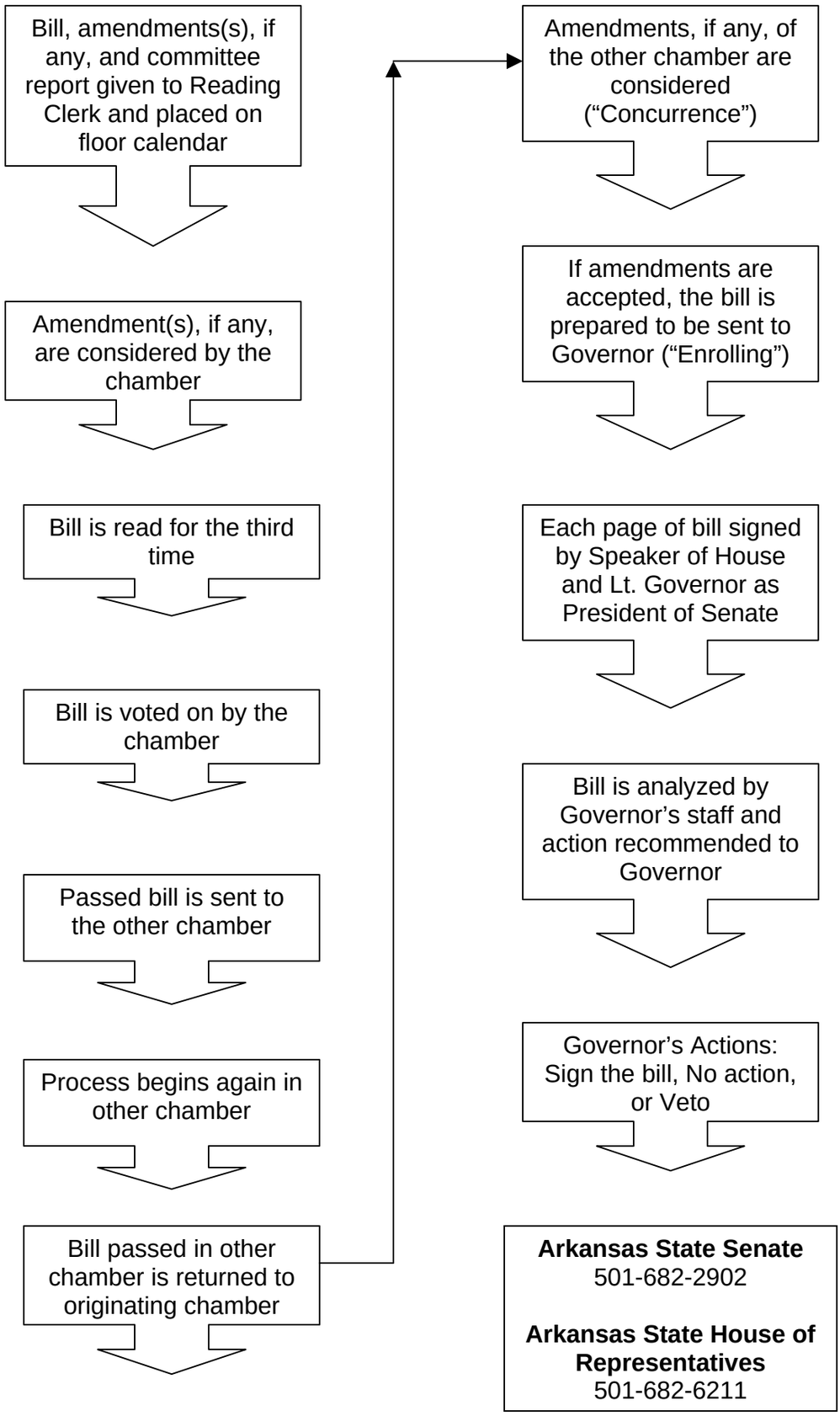
How a Bill Becomes a Law




Bill, amendments(s), if any, and committee report given to Reading Clerk and placed on floor calendar
Amendment(s), if any, are considered by the chamber
Bill is read for the third time
Bill is voted on by the chamber
Passed bill is sent to the other chamber
Process begins again in other chamber
Bill passed in other chamber is returned to originating chamber
Amendments, if any, of the other chamber are considered ("Concurrence")
If amendments are accepted, the bill is prepared to be sent to Governor ("Enrolling")
Each page of bill signed by Speaker of House and Lt. Governor as President of Senate
Bill is analyzed by Governor's staff and action recommended to Governor
Governor's Actions: Sign the bill, No action, or Veto
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