

# How Does an IDEA Become a LAW?



It's complicated! And it takes a *lot* of work by a *lot* of people. The members of the General Assembly study and debate the idea. People living in North Carolina can also voice their opinions by contacting their representatives. Not all ideas make it! At any point along the way, a bill can "die" and never become law. But for those that do, here are the basic steps that an idea must go through to become a law in North Carolina.

Based on information from the North Carolina Secretary of State's website [www.sosnc.gov/divisions/publications/kids\\_page\\_law](http://www.sosnc.gov/divisions/publications/kids_page_law).

