

# IMPACT Day of Service

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# Word Association

What is the first word that comes to your mind  
when you hear the word \_\_\_\_\_?

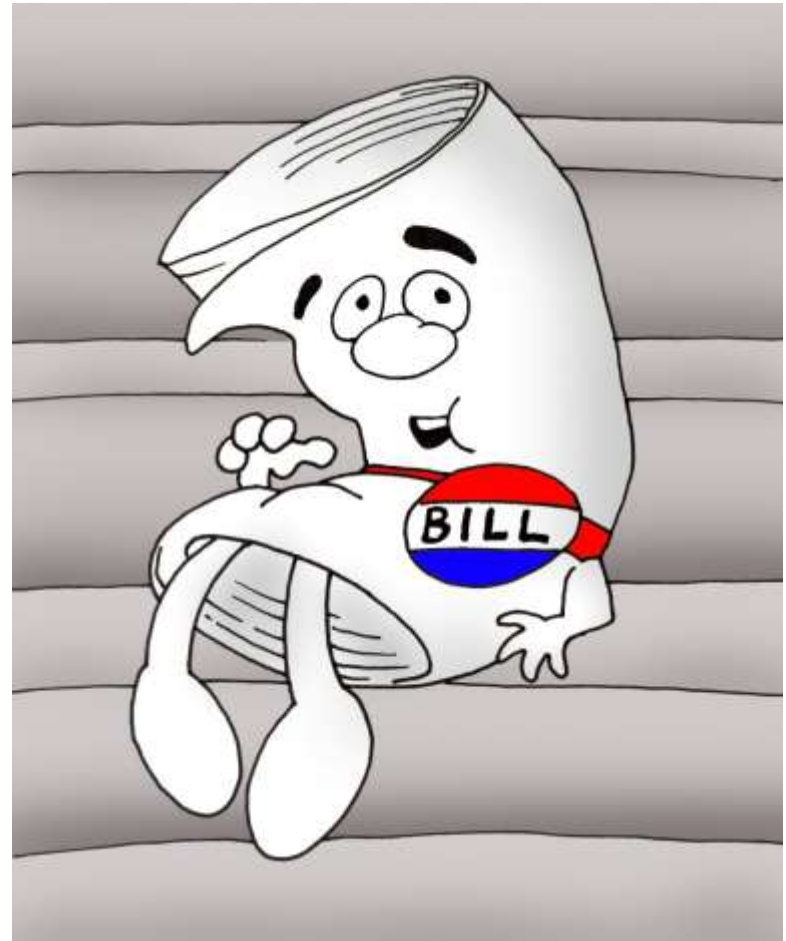
# Definition of Politics

Politics: How we define who gets what, when, and where.

# What is the next line...

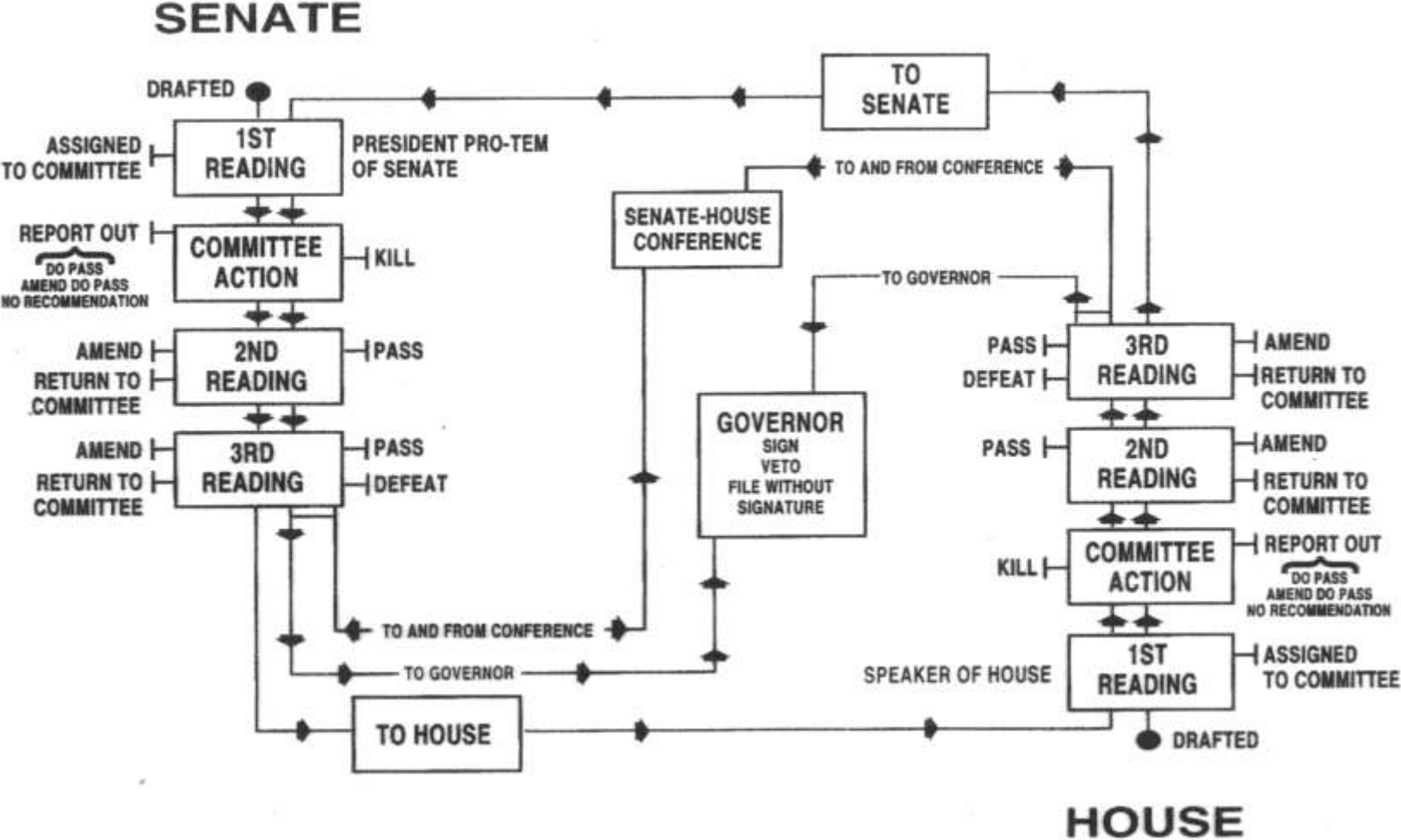
I'm just a bill.

Yes, I'm only a bill, and...



<http://www.schoolhouserock.tv/Bill.html>

# How a Bill Becomes a Law in Indiana



# 5 Keys To Influencing the Making of Public Policy

- Know what you want
- Know what the law says
- Do your research
- Build coalitions
- Be willing to accept compromise and know when you are not willing to accept compromise

# Tips for Communicating with Elected Officials

- Know their preferred means of communication
- Best way is face-to-face, but others can be effective
- Be concise
- State your position, but try to be objective
- Be sure to give them something