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RESULTS Policy Forum – U.S. Poverty

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Happy New Year!

Welcome!



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Our Anti-Oppression Values

RESULTS is a movement of passionate, committed everyday people. Together we use our voices to influence political decisions that will bring an end to poverty. Poverty cannot end as long as oppression exists. We commit to opposing all forms of oppression, including ableism, ageism, biphobia, classism, colonialism, homophobia, racism, religious discrimination, sexism, transphobia, white saviorism, and xenophobia.

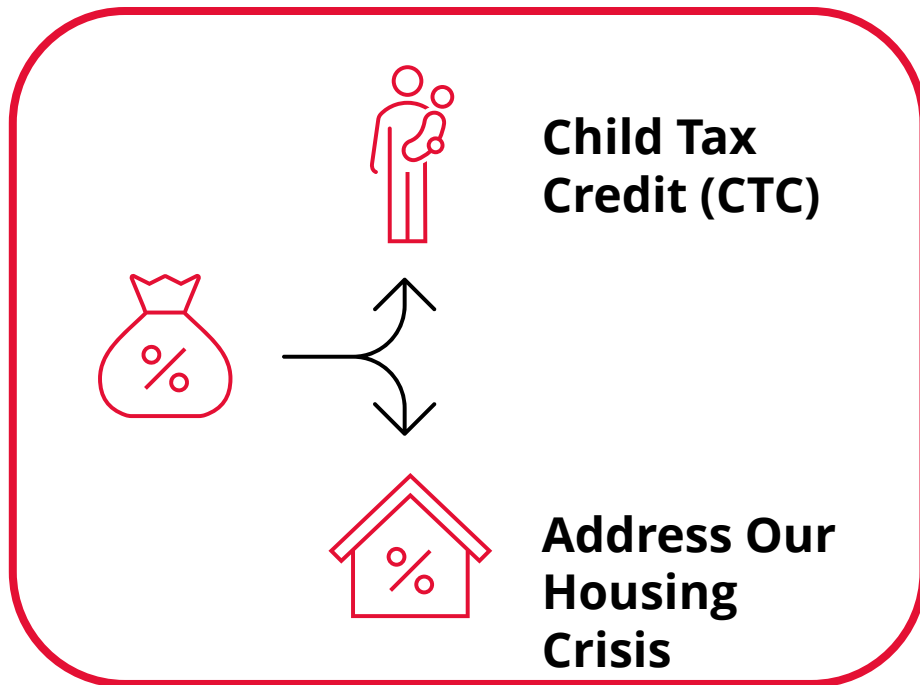
At RESULTS we pledge to create space for all voices, including those of us who are currently experiencing poverty. We will address oppressive behavior in our interactions, families, communities, work, and world. Our strength is rooted in our diversity of experiences, not in our assumptions.

With unearned privilege comes the responsibility to act so the burden to educate and change doesn't fall solely on those experiencing oppression. When we miss the mark on our values, we will acknowledge our mistake, seek forgiveness, learn, and work together as a community to pursue equity.

There are no saviors — only partners, advocates, and allies. We agree to help make the RESULTS movement a respectful, inclusive space.

Find all our anti-oppression resources at <https://results.org/volunteers/anti-oppression/>

U.S. Poverty Policy Priorities





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Legislative Process Overview

Senate & House of Representatives

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Bipartisanship is key!

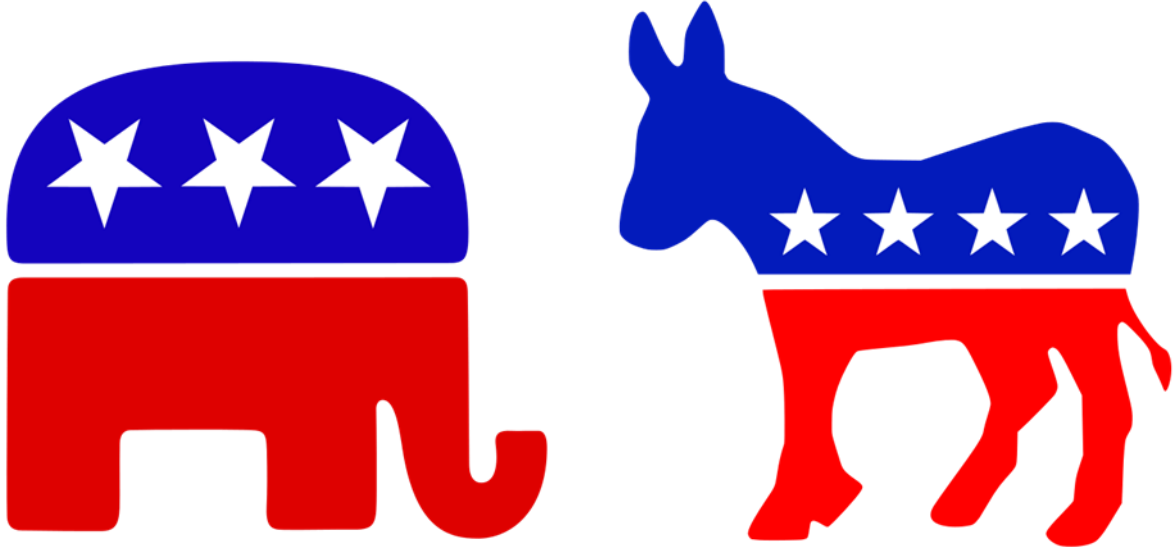


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Relevant Congressional Committees

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Senate Finance Committee Majority Members

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Chairman

Ron Wyden

Ron Wyden is focused on preserving Medicare & protecting retirement security, updating the nation's tax system with a focus on growth and fairness, and ensuring fiscal policy supports American jobs.

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Debbie Stabenow

(D - MI)

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Maria Cantwell

(D - WA)

[Official Website](#) »



Robert Menendez

(D - NJ)

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Sheldon Whitehouse

(D - RI)

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Maggie Hassan

(D - NH)

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Thomas R. Carper

(D - DE)

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Benjamin L. Cardin

(D - MD)

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Sherrod Brown

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Catherine Cortez Masto

(D - NV)

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Elizabeth Warren

(D - MA)

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Michael F. Bennet

(D - CO)

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Bob Casey

(D - PA)

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Mark R. Warner

(D - VA)

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Senate Finance Committee Minority Members

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Chuck Grassley

(R - IA)

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John Cornyn

(R - TX)

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John Thune

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Tim Scott

(R - SC)

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Bill Cassidy

(R - LA)

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James Lankford

(R - OK)

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Steve Daines

(R - MT)

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Todd Young

(R - IN)

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Ranking Member

Mike Crapo

Mike Crapo strongly supports free market policies that fuel economic growth. Increasing access to quality, affordable health care and promoting the U.S.'s global competitiveness through free, fair trade are among his top priorities.

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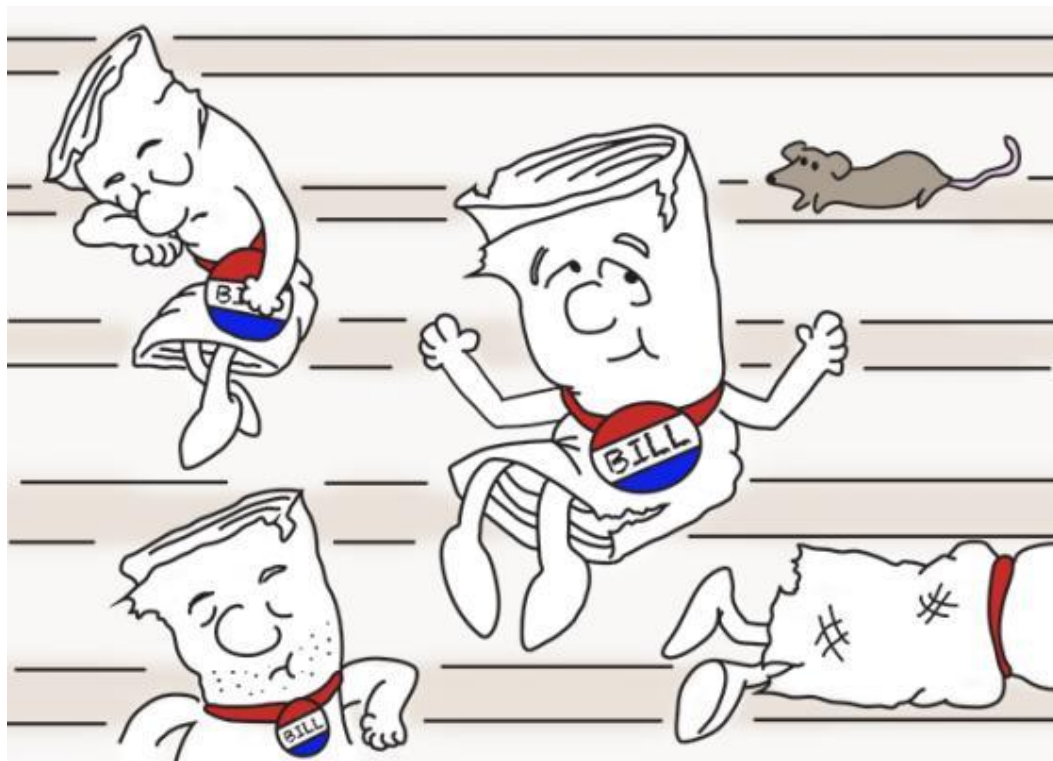


John Barrasso

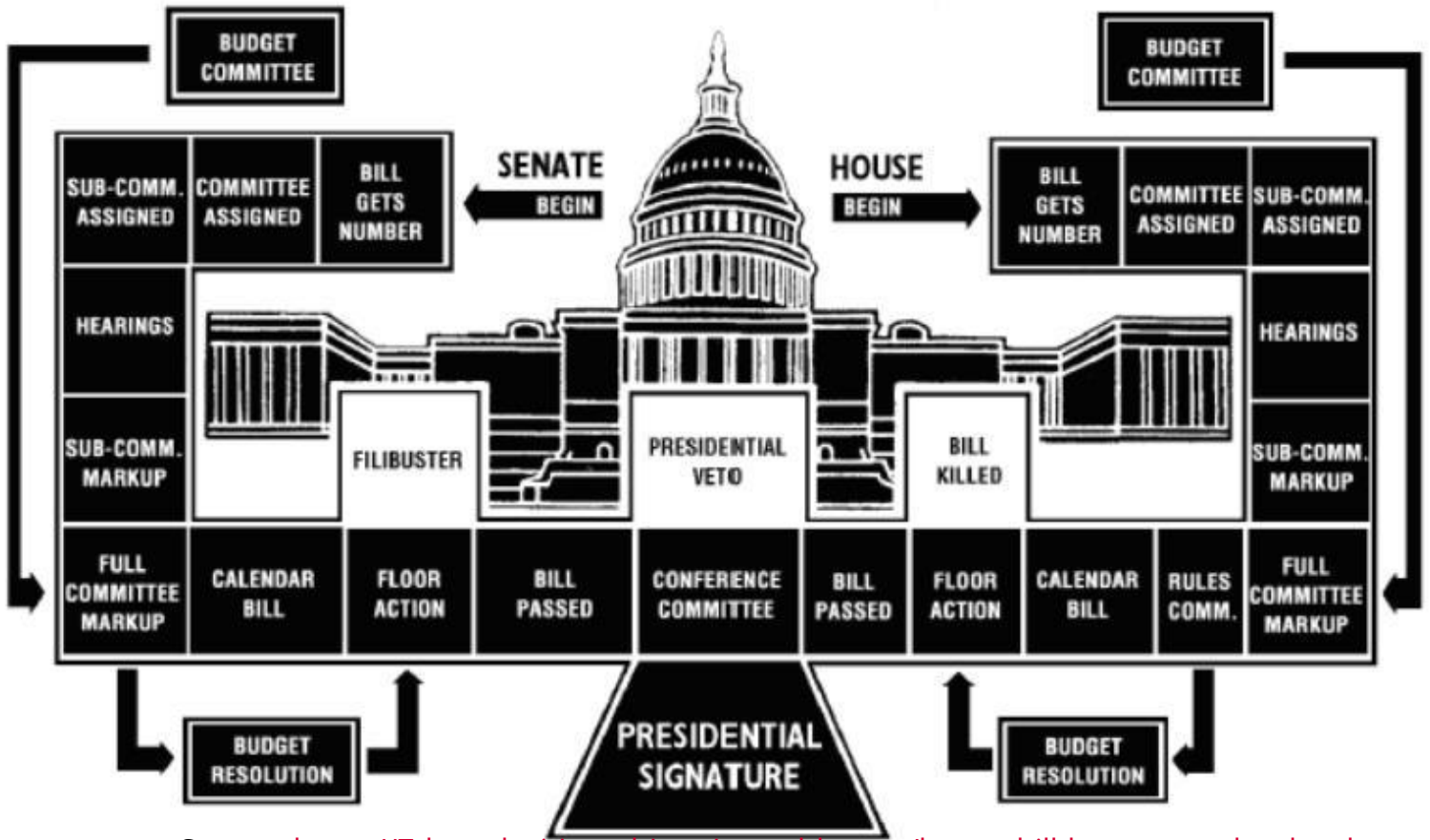
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How does a bill become law?



How does a bill become law?



Source: <https://7thgradecitizenshipunit.weebly.com/how-a-bill-becomes-a-law.html>

Role of Congressional Caucuses



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System of Checks and Balances

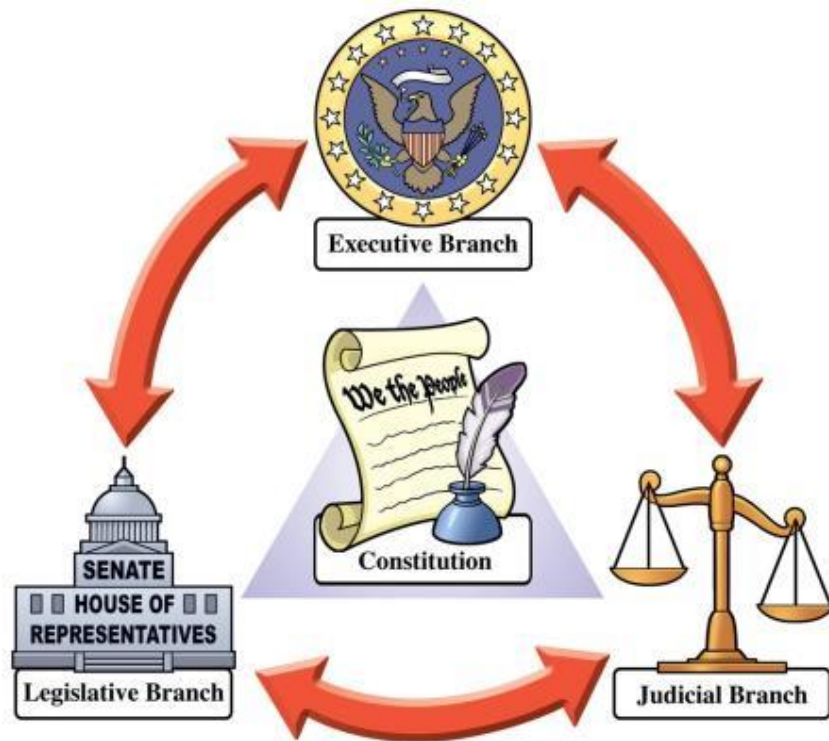


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Timeline

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- **Quarter 1**

January – beginning of new Congress – we can Set the Agenda!

February / March – State of the Union + President's budget request sent to Congress

Possible CTC marker bills introduced in Congress

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- **Quarters 2 & 3**

April – Tax Day!

Spring/Summer months – follow up from Set the Agenda campaign and lobby meetings; ramp up media strategy, debt ceiling fights

September – end of fiscal year, annual spending deadline

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- **Quarter 4**

Possible tax bill/legislation on renter tax credit

Organize in local communities



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Substantive Policy Asks

Take Action on Key U.S. Poverty Priorities

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- **Child Tax Credit**

Tell your member to urge colleagues and leadership to expand the Child Tax Credit (CTC) with monthly payments prioritizing the lowest-income families in any tax legislation this year

- **Renter Tax Credit**

Urge your member and their staff to research renter tax credit policies that use the tax code to help lower-income renters, and meet directly with constituents struggling with rent costs to discuss policy solutions.



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Key Takeaways & Intel

Detailed Feedback Needed

- **Child Tax Credit**

(1) Were they in communication with leadership and tax writing committees last year regarding the CTC?

(2) Have they highlighted the CTC as an ongoing priority in 2023?

- **Renter Tax Credit**

(1) Which housing policies/solutions do they support already?

(2) How do they feel about Renter Tax Credits?

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