

The Legislative Process (How laws are made)

Teacher Support Sheet

Overview

This video introduces the Parliamentary Legislative Process in Queensland. This resource will enable students to understand where legislation comes from and outlines the parliamentary stages of law making.

Key vocabulary

- Act of Parliament
- Amendment
- Bill
- Table
- Legislation
- Motion
- Explanatory Notes
- Statement of Compatibility
- Readings of a Bill
- Cabinet

Teaching Resources



The Legislative Process

Cloze passage - print worksheet



Decision Making

*Interactive worksheet**



Strengths and Weaknesses of Parliament as a Law-Making Body

PowerPoint group activity



Pass That Law!



Law Reform - Human Rights

Teacher information sheet



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Flow chart



Make a Law Role Play

Role play



Quizlet

Vocabulary list

**Please note - interactive worksheets should be downloaded and saved to a desktop for optimal use. Interactive features are not compatible on mobile devices.*

Ideas for Learning Activities

Suggested activities	AC code	AC content descriptor
Decision Making Activity Have students practice different decision making techniques using the Decision Making PDF resource .	ACHASSI102	Participate in a relevant democratic process (for example, in class votes, mock parliament, school decision-making processes such as student councils).
Parliament as a Law Making Body Explore Parliament's role as a law making body by using the Strengths and Weaknesses of Parliament as a Law Making Body resource to analyse a range of parliamentary processes. Students can complete this activity individually, in groups or as a class.	QCAA Legal Studies Unit 3: Law, governance and change Topic 1: Governance in Australia	Explain and analyse the strengths and weaknesses of parliament as a law-making body.
Explore the Legislative Process Investigate the pathway of a Bill in Queensland Parliament using the Make a Law Role Play resource .	QCAA Legal Studies Unit 3: Law, governance and change Topic 1: Governance in Australia	Explain and analyse the strengths and weaknesses of parliament as a law-making body.
Legislative Process Flow Chart Students investigate stages in the legislative process by designing their own flowchart outlining the process of statutory law making in Queensland.	QCAA Legal Studies Unit 1: Beyond reasonable doubt Topic 1: Legal foundations QCAA Legal Studies Unit 3: Law, governance and change Topic 1: Governance in Australia ACHASSK146	The process of statutory law-making, and the role of states, territories and the Australian Government. Function of parliament as a law-making body and describe the legislative process. Where ideas for laws can come from and how they become law.