## Summary of process for Member Bills

June 2021

Intention to run Ballot indicated by Presiding Officer

The Llywydd (the Presiding Officer) tells Members and the wider public that she intends to run a ballot.



Proposal Submission

Members submit ideas for the ballot.

Members have to set out the proposed title and policy objectives of their Bill as 'pre-ballot information'. A proposed Bill may not be on taxation.



**Ballot** 

The Llywydd runs a ballot to draw a proposed Bill from those submitted.

The ballot winner has 25 working days from the date of the ballot to table a motion seeking leave to introduce a Bill.

The Senedd's Business Committee has 35 working days from the date of the ballot (not including recess periods) to schedule a debate on such a motion.

Leave to Proceed Debate Members debate and vote on the motion seeking leave to introduce a Bill. This is called a 'Leave to Proceed debate'.



Bill Development If Members support their proposal, the ballot winner will have 13 months from the 'Leave to Proceed' debate to develop and introduce their Bill.<sup>1</sup>



Bill Introduced Following introduction, the Member Bill will be scrutinised and amended by the Senedd in the same way as any other public Bill.

## **Notes**

<sup>1.</sup> It is expected that this will normally include the Member consulting on a draft Bill, the Welsh Government liaise with the UK Government on the potential impact of the Bill on UK responsibilities, and the Llywydd seeing the draft Bill and accompanying Explanatory Memorandum at least four weeks in advance of introduction, in order to take a view on its legislative competence.