### Making of a Law - flow chart

#### Before the introduction of a Bill in Parliament

- The need for a new law is identified. Cabinet grants Minister authority to prepare a Bill.
- Cabinet approves the Bill.
- The Government Members approve the Bill.

#### Introduction and First Reading

- The Minister introduces the Bill in the House. The Minister explains the Bill and nominates a committee to examine the Bill. The Clerk of the Parliament reads the title of the Bill for the first time. Copies of the Bill and Explanatory Notes are given to all Members.

#### Committee Consideration and Report

- The Committee takes up to 6 months to consider the Bill and prepare a report.

#### Second Reading

- The Minister delivers a speech outlining the reasons for the Bill and also responds to the committee report. The Opposition raises issues concerning the Bill. Every Member has the opportunity to speak about the Bill. The Clerk reads the title of the Bill a second time.

#### Consideration in Detail

- The House considers all the sections of the Bill. The Speaker or Deputy Speaker presides from the Table of the House.

#### Third Reading

- The Clerk reads the title for a third and final time. The Bill is passed by a majority vote.

#### Royal Assent

- Three copies of the Bill are presented to the Governor by the Clerk of the Parliament for the Royal Assent. The Bill becomes an Act of Parliament.

**The Act becomes law**