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Organization Update



New Year, New Home



FASD United has a new address! **1054 31st Street NW #204**
Our office moves in January 2024 to: **Washington, DC 20007**



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FASD Respect Act 2.0

Bill Contents

- Education, Awareness and Services across community agencies
- Building State and Tribal Systems
- Centers for Excellence



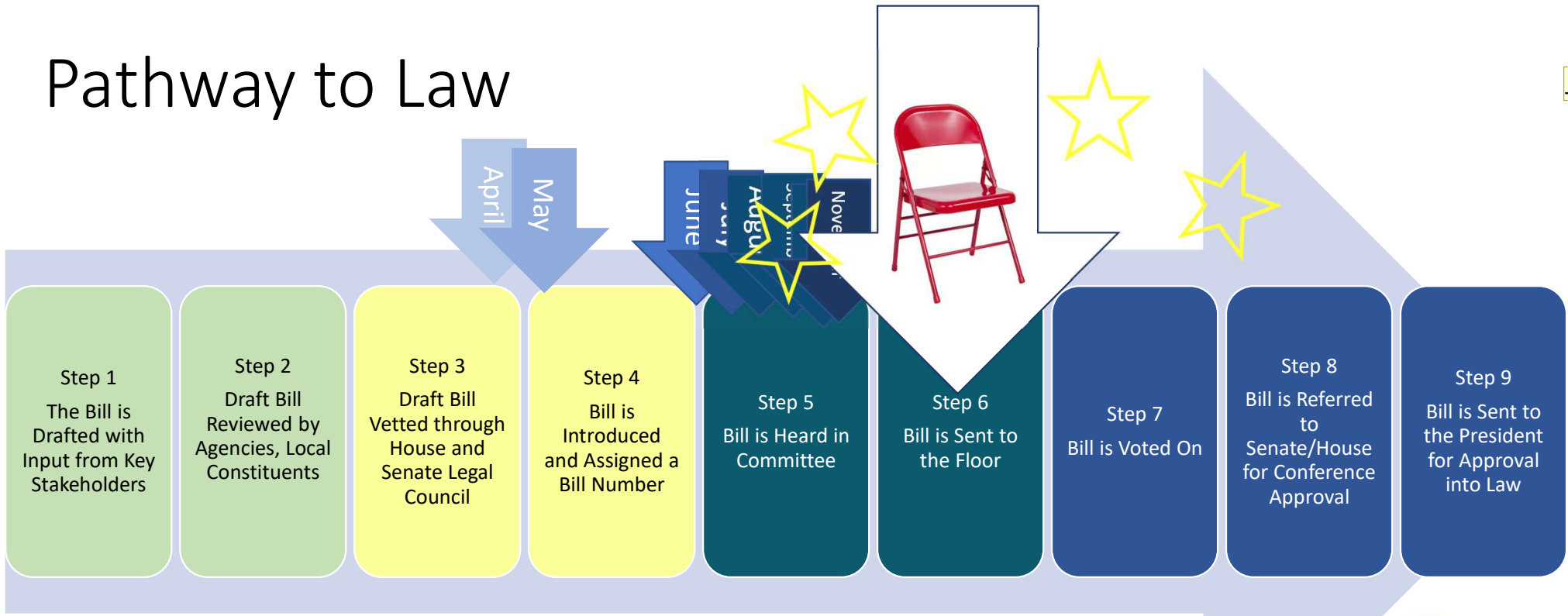
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Pathway to Law



The 118th Congress Lasts for 2 years.



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Jenny Wisdahl, 5/25/2021

Updates

- ONDCP has been urging Congress to renew the Support Reauthorization Act
- FY 2024 appropriations deadlines are set



What Happened in January



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Meetings

Senator Cruz (R-TX)

Rep. Self (R-TX-3)

Senator Cornyn (R-TX)

Rep. Carter (R-TX-31)

Rep. Castro (D-TX-20)

Rep. McBath (D-GA-7)

New Co-Sponsors

Sen. Warnock [D-GA]

Rep. Gottheimer [D-NJ-5]

Rep. McGovern [D-MA-2]

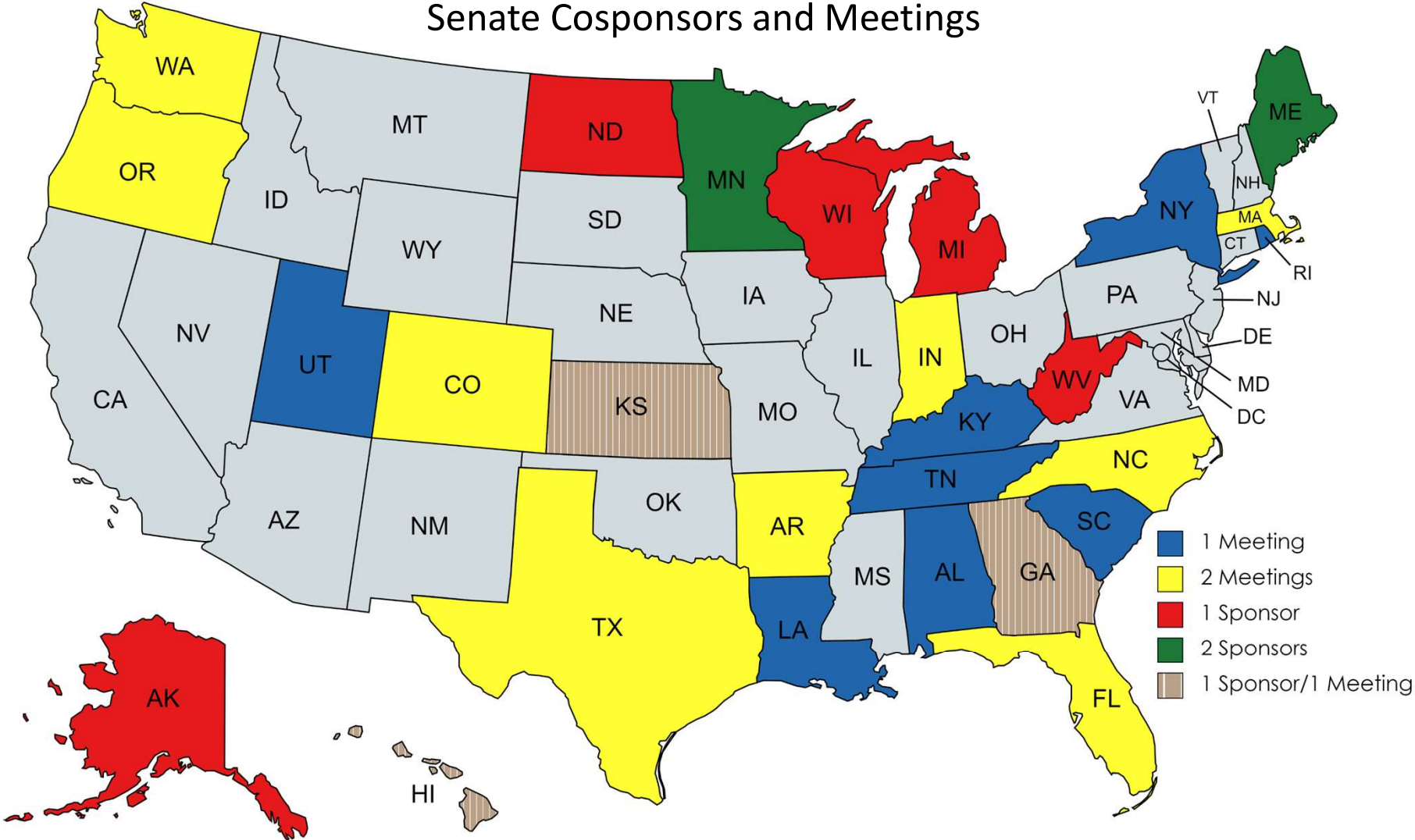
Rep. Stansbury (D-NM-1)

48 in the
House

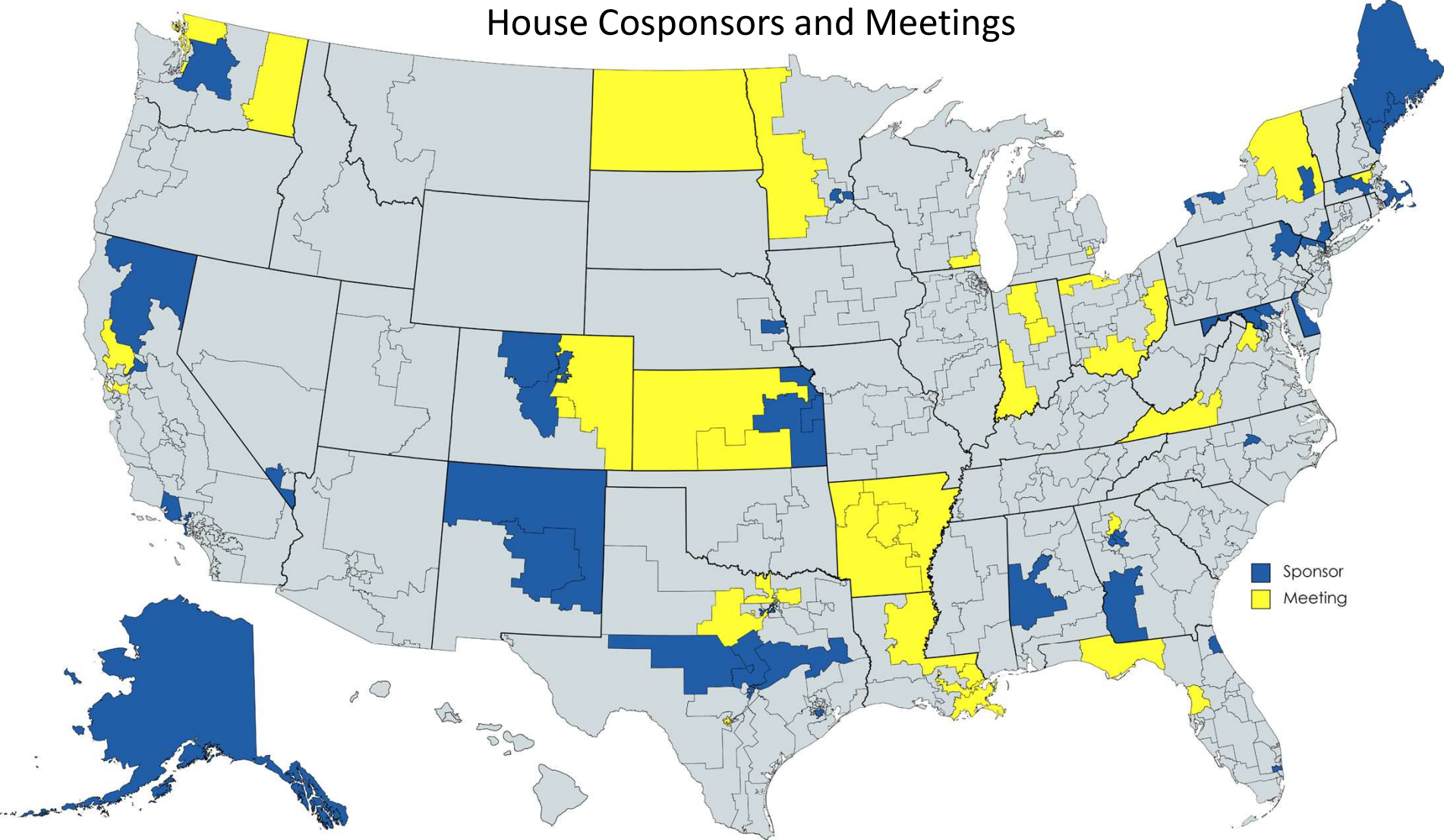
11 in the
Senate



Senate Cosponsors and Meetings



House Cosponsors and Meetings



New Resources

- Sample legislation for a State FASD Advisory Committee
- Template for a Governor's Executive Order creating a State FASD Advisory Committee



Guidance



- This is not a solo opportunity – check in and involve others in your state.
- Templates need to be customized to your state with data specific to your state
- Let FASD United know you are working on this so we can connect other interested parties to help.
- Start now. Do not wait for the FASD Respect Act to pass to start the work.

What do we do now?



- **Continue.** Keep asking for Co-Sponsors for The FASD Respect Act
- **Do your homework.** What state agency might best house a state FASD program? Who there is the contact?
- **Make a plan.** Who are the players at a state level who should be involved from disability groups and state agencies? Document this and develop a plan for connecting.
- **Find a Champion.** Or 2... Explore and find champions on committees of jurisdiction.





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