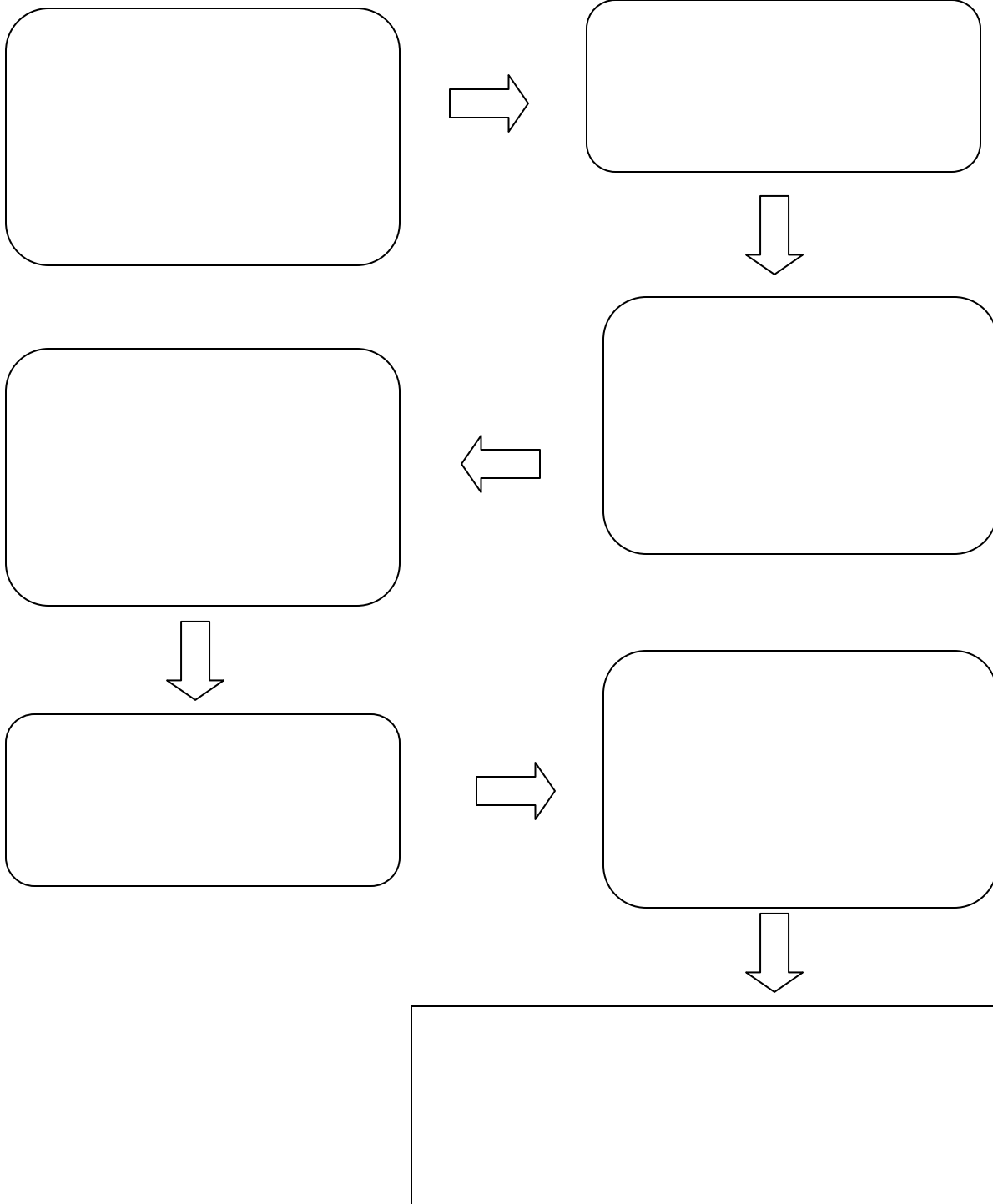


**Passing a Bill**  
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**Instructions:** Complete the following diagram and answer the questions that follow.



**Thinking Questions:**

**1. How many readings does a bill have to go through before it can become a law?**

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**2. At what stage does debate first occur in the House of Commons?**

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**3. Which step is skipped if the bill is a provincial bill?**

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**4. At which stage can amendments be made to a bill?**

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**5. How do political parties ensure support for their bills? Why is this important?**

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**6. When might a free vote occur in the House of Commons?**

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**7. Why are private member's bills seldom passed?**

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**8. Why are there so many steps in the process of making laws? Why do we use such a lengthy process?**

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