Legislative Process according to Transitory Provisions of the Constitution of the Kingdom of Thailand

(While the National Legislative Assembly Acts as the Parliament, the House of the Representatives and the Senate)

Prior to the enactment of every law, the State should conduct consultation with stakeholders, analyse any impacts that may occur from the law thoroughly and systematically, and should also disclose the results of the consultation and analysis to the public, and take them into consideration at every stage of the legislative process.

Council of Ministers

Members of the National Legislative Assembly of not less than 20 in number

Eligible voters of not less than 10,000 submit a petition to introduce a bill (specifically under Chapter 3 or Chapter 5)

The National Legislative Assembly

First Reading

Not adopt the bill’s principle

Adopt the bill’s principle, further proceeding shall be taken

Second Reading

Sent to standing committee or ad hoc committee or committee of the whole House and the National Legislative Assembly for section-by-section deliberation

Third Reading

Lapse

Disapproved

Approved

In the case where the King does not sign and return the bill within 30 days, the Prime Minister shall cause the bill to be promulgated as an Act in the Government Gazette as if the King had signed it.

The Prime Minister

Presents the bill to The King

The King

Resolves to reaffirm the bill with the votes of not less than two-thirds of the total number of existing members

The King bestows His signature

Publication in the Government Gazette, the bill comes into force

The King makes his signature

Lapse

Not contrary to the Constitution, or contrary to the Constitution but not essential

Contrary to the Constitution and essential

In the case where the bill is referred to the Constitutional Court

The King

Bestows His signature

The Prime Minister shall hold a bill for 5 days before presenting it to the King within 20 days as from the date such period lapses

Remark: A money bill may be introduced only with the endorsement of the Prime Minister.

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