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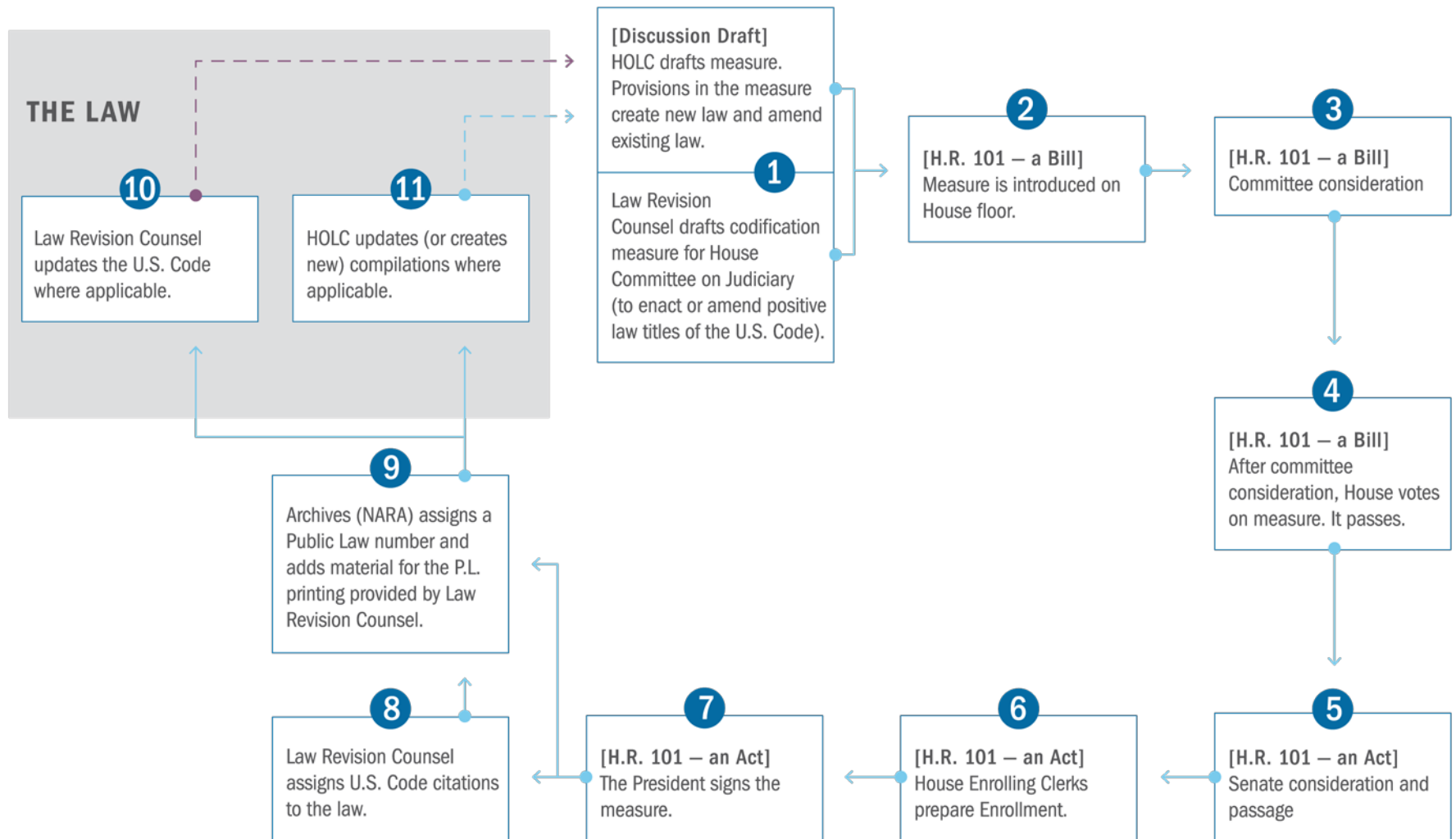
- On **April 1, 1789**, the House of Representatives convened with its first quorum and elected the **first Speaker** Frederick Augustus Conrad Muhlenberg, a Representative from Pennsylvania.
- The next order of business was the election of the **first Clerk**, John Beckley, Esquire, a citizen of Virginia.
- The **34th Clerk of the U.S. House of Representatives** is Karen L. Haas

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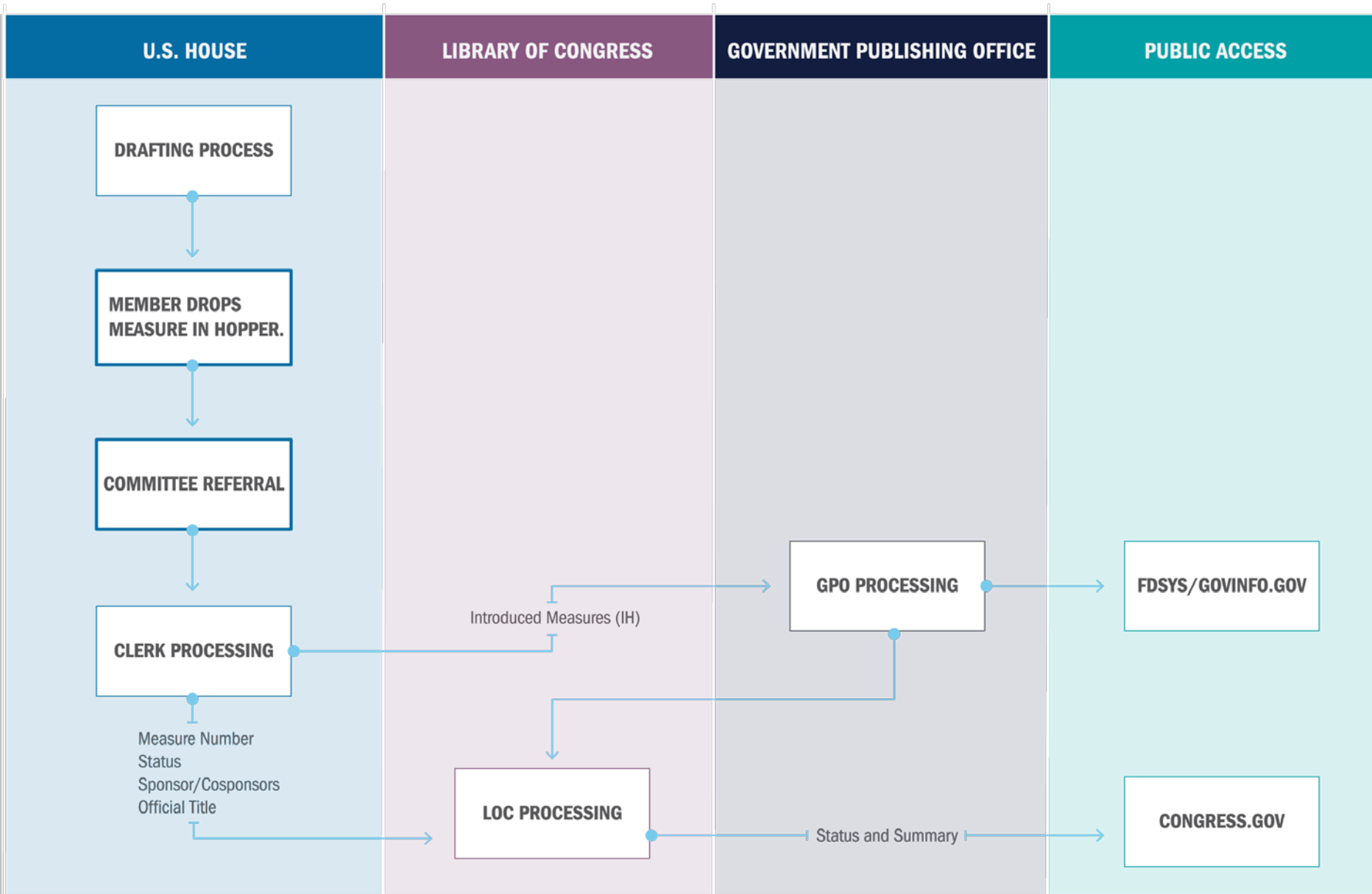
- For more than 200 years, the Office of the Clerk has supported **legislative functions** of the U.S. House of Representatives.
- The Office of the Clerk is a **nonpartisan organization** with nine divisions and approximately 200 full-time equivalent positions. This includes staff supporting the House Historian and the Chaplain of the House.

LIFECYCLE OF A LEGISLATIVE PROVISION: AN OVERVIEW



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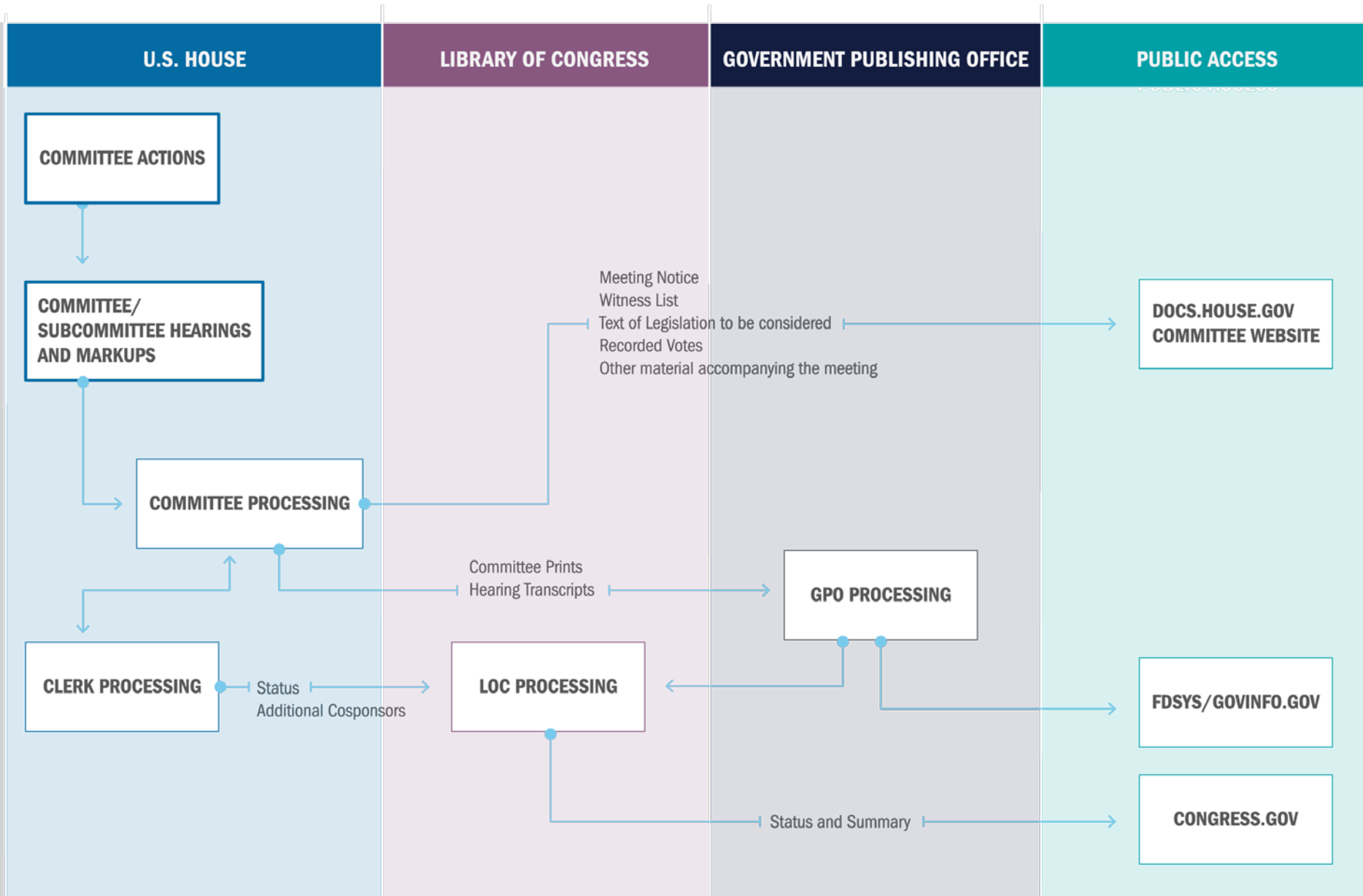
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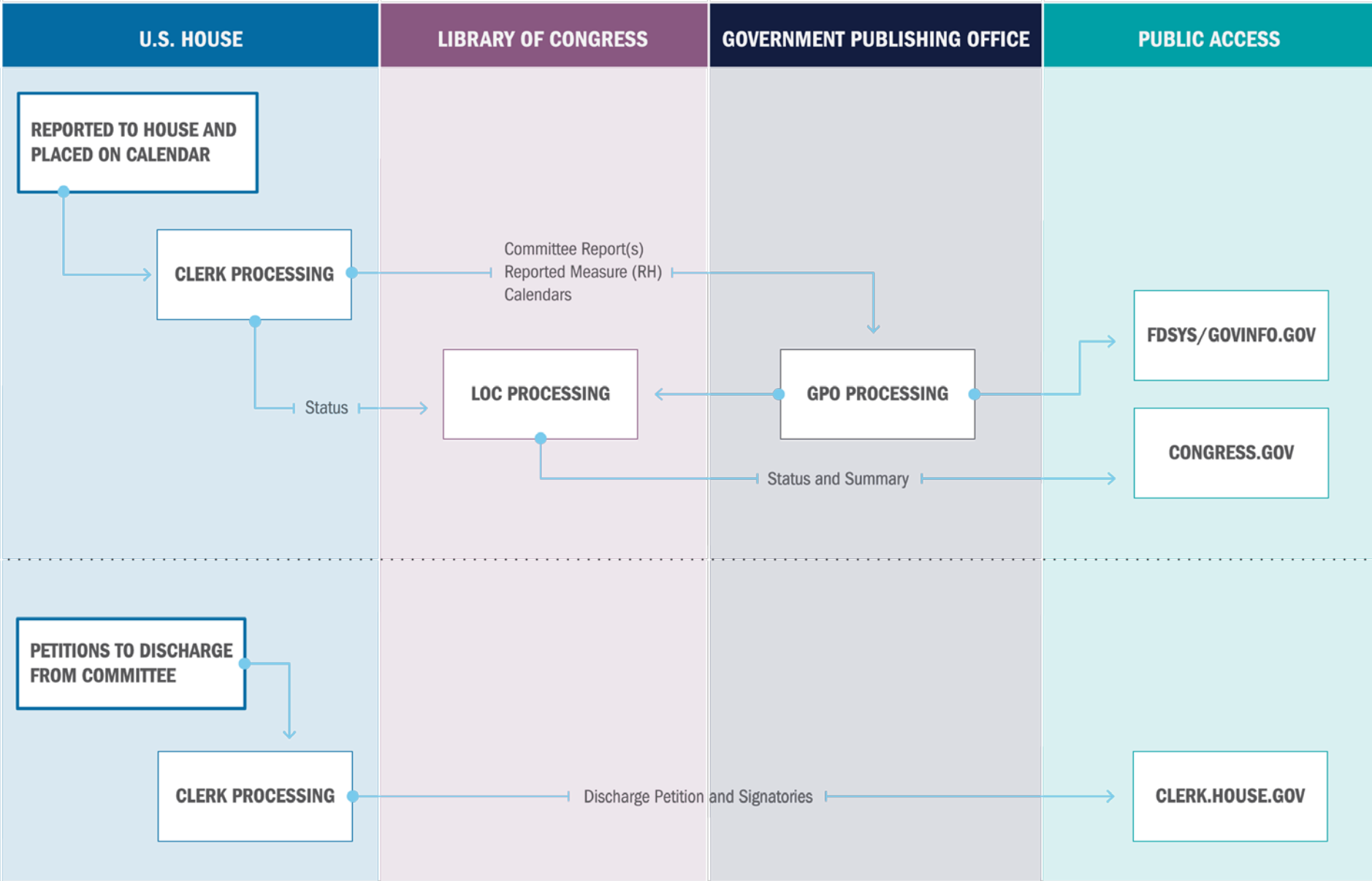
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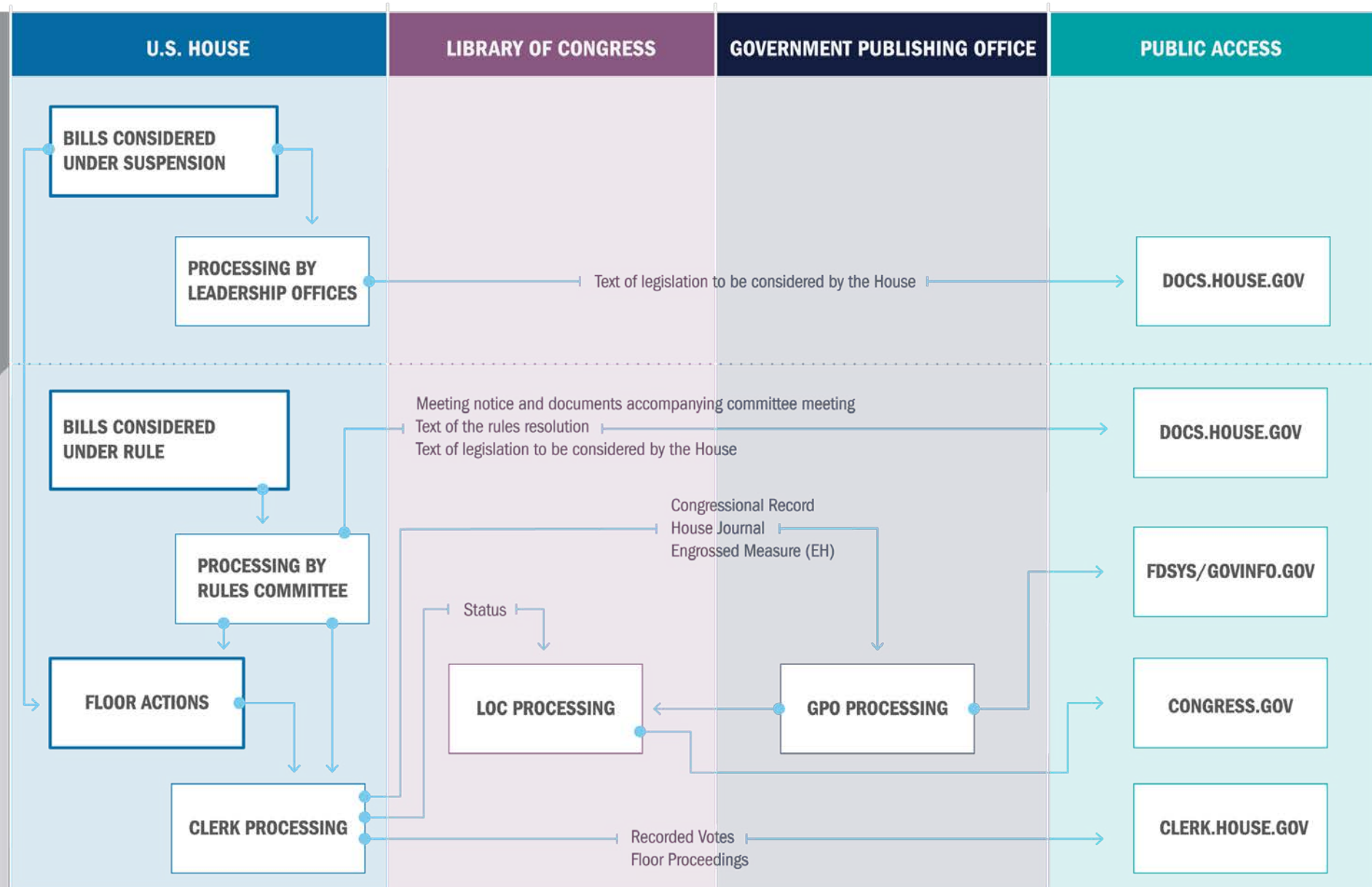
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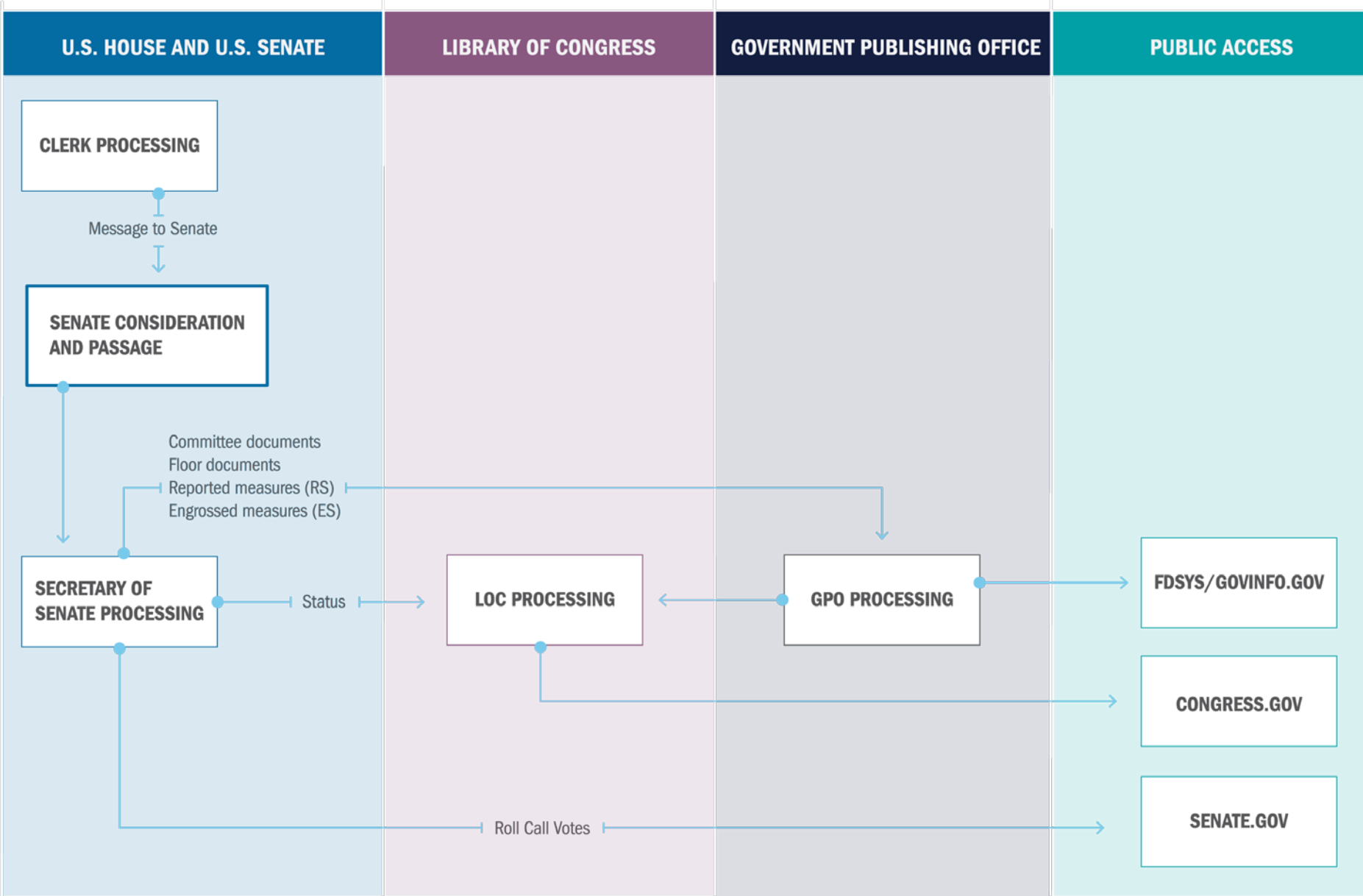
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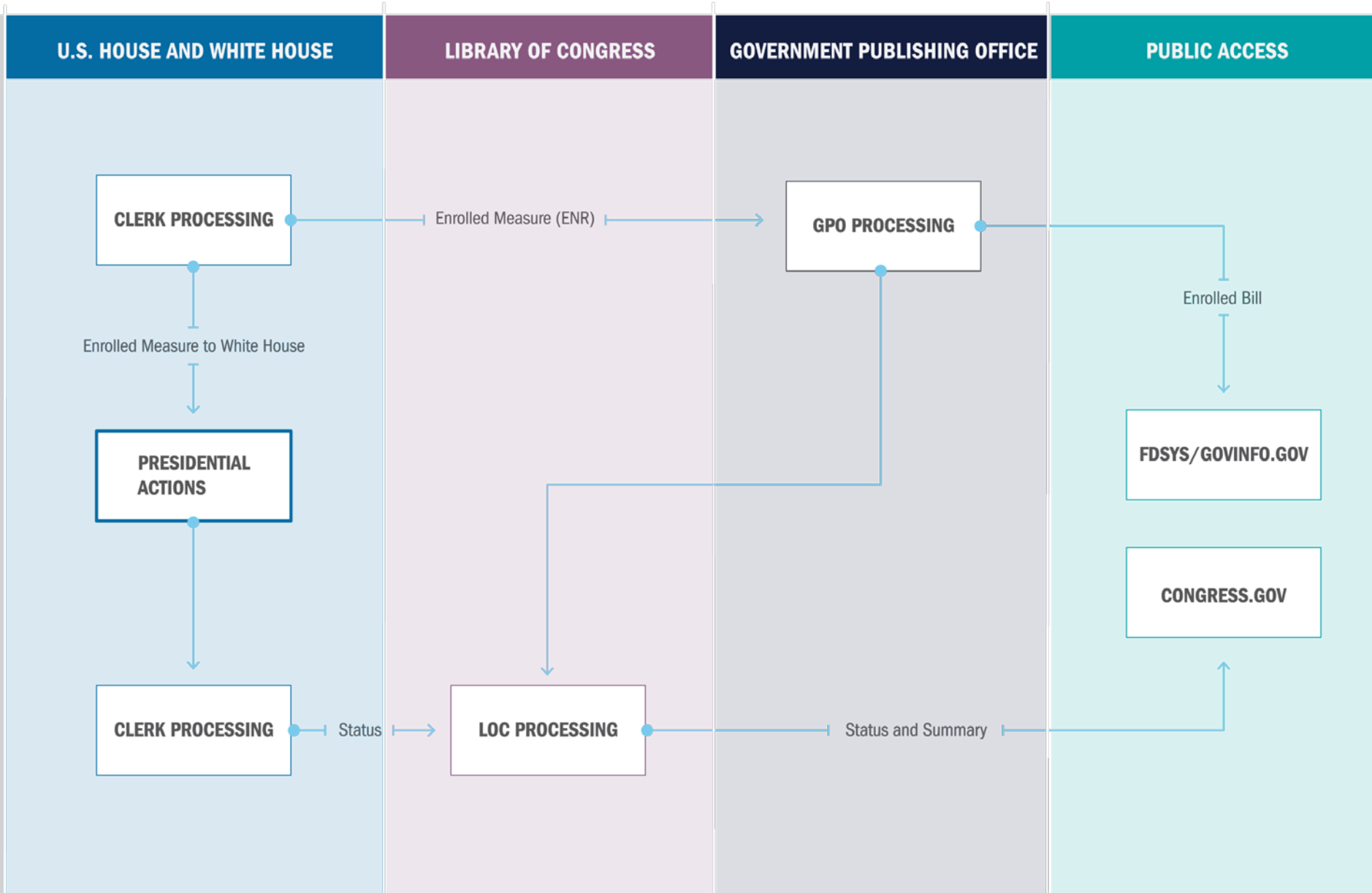
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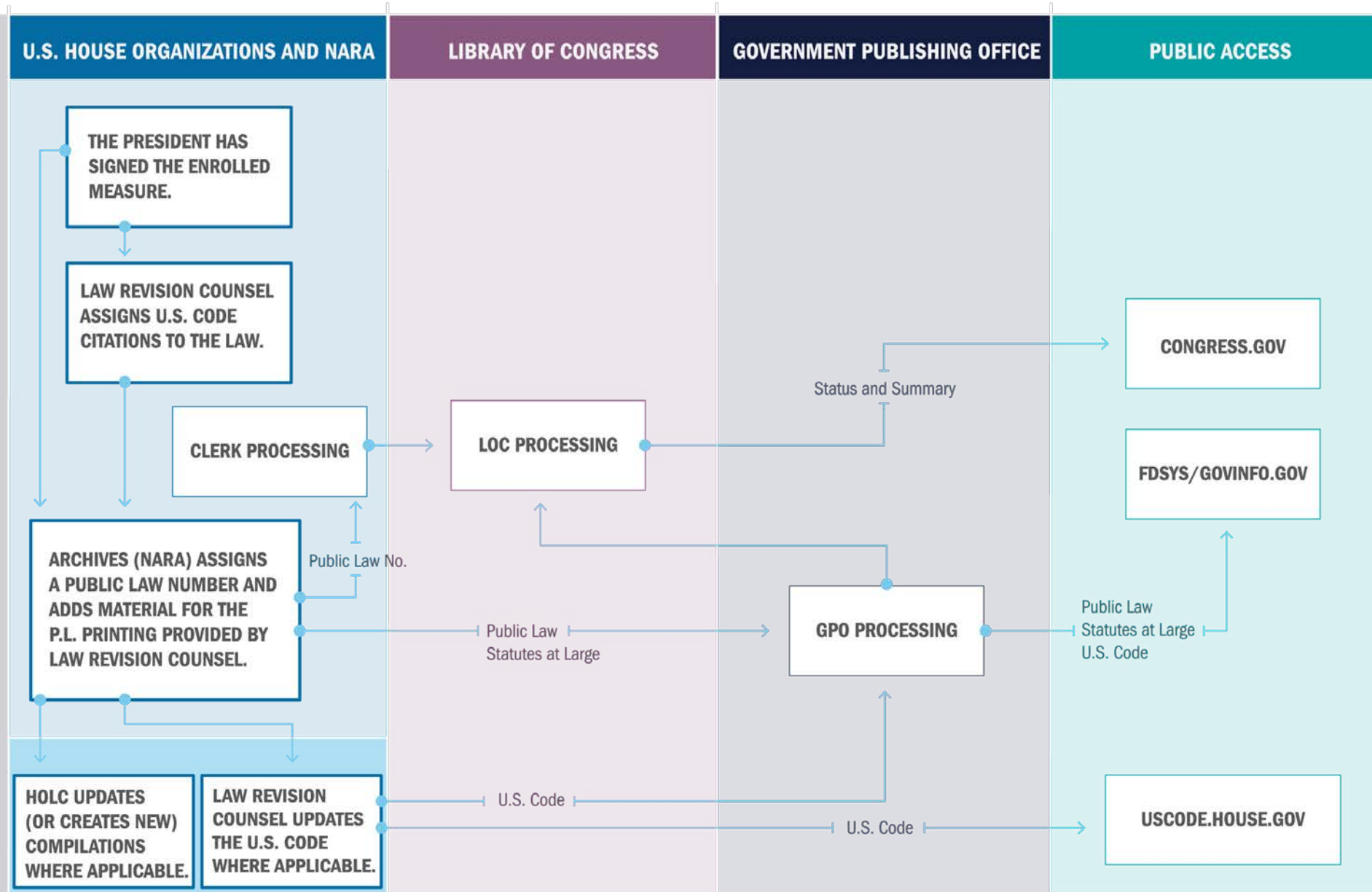


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LEGISLATIVE WORKFLOW | SLIP LAWS AND U.S. CODE



Thank you

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