

Learning Activity



Extra - Apple Muffin Bill Process

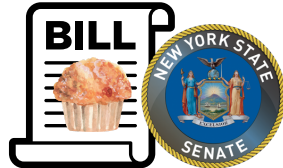
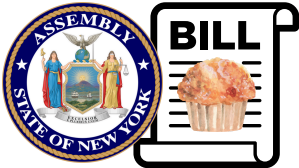
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In the spring of 1987, students in Mrs. Craven's class had the idea to make the apple muffin the official muffin of NYS. After researching the apple industry, they sent their idea, petitions with over 400 signatures and more than 100 hand-written letters to state lawmakers.

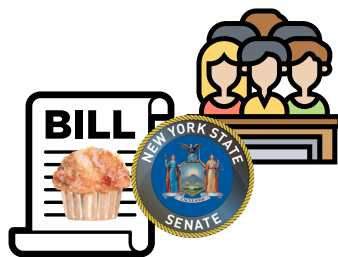
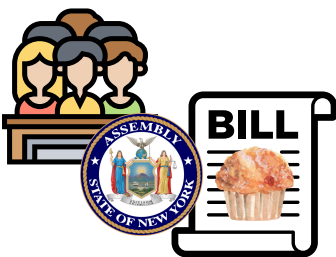


Their hard work convinced Assemblyman Michael Bragman and Senator Tarky Lombardi to sponsor their idea, making it into a bill.



The bill was introduced in the Assembly and the Senate, where it was given a number. After it was allowed to "age" (be available to lawmakers to read for at least 3 days) the bill was sent to committee in each house.

Different committees studied the bill to see how it would impact New York State. They made recommendations about the bill.



Governor Mario Cuomo signed the bill into law on 10 August 1987, making the Apple Muffin the official muffin of New York State!



On 7 July 1987, the NYS Assembly voted on the bill.



✓ YES 130

✗ NO 10



On 24 June 1987, the NYS Senate voted unanimously for the bill!



The Apple Muffin bill was voted out of committee, so it was sent on to the full assembly and senate to be voted on.



In April of 1987, the Apple Muffin Gang made their way to Albany to lobby law makers to support their bill. They gave each assemblyman a muffin to try, hoping the deliciousness would win them over.

