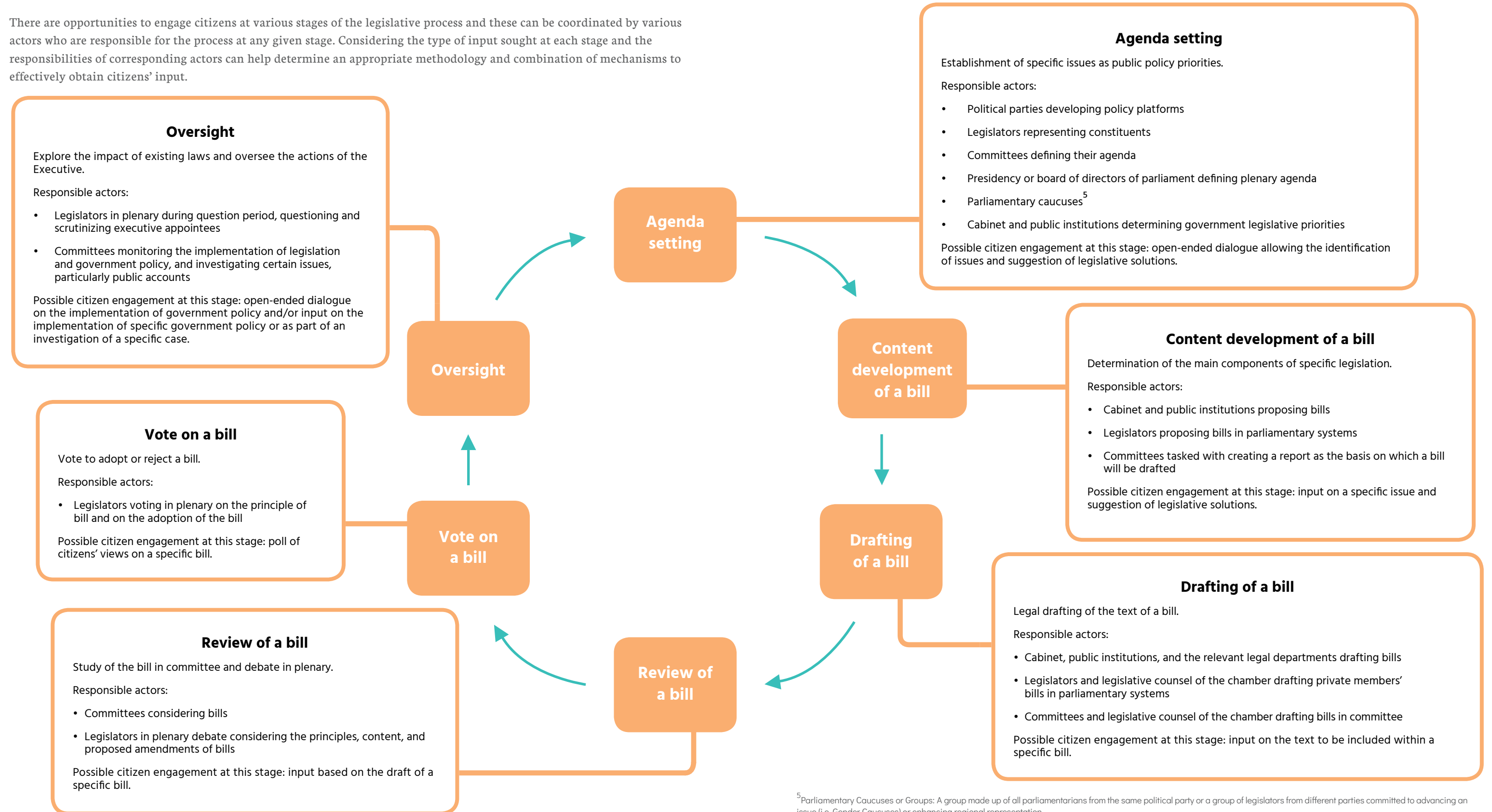


# Overview of Citizen Participation in the Legislative Process

There are opportunities to engage citizens at various stages of the legislative process and these can be coordinated by various actors who are responsible for the process at any given stage. Considering the type of input sought at each stage and the responsibilities of corresponding actors can help determine an appropriate methodology and combination of mechanisms to effectively obtain citizens' input.



<sup>5</sup>Parliamentary Caucuses or Groups: A group made up of all parliamentarians from the same political party or a group of legislators from different parties committed to advancing an issue (i.e. Gender Caucuses) or enhancing regional representation