

STATE GOVERNMENT » A PRIMER ON CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT

Your 2011 Utah Legislature

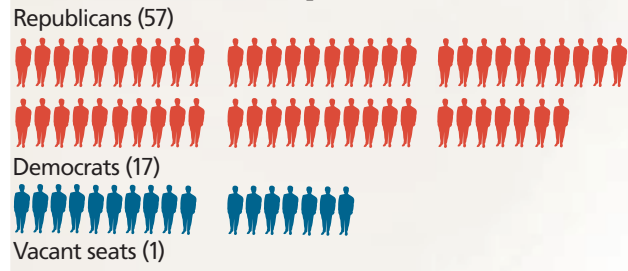
How to get involved » As this year's group of Utah lawmakers gathers to tackle the issues of the day, have you ever wondered how to make your voice heard?

your way. The 2011 Legislature again is dominated by Republicans, who control both legislative bodies by more than two-thirds majorities.

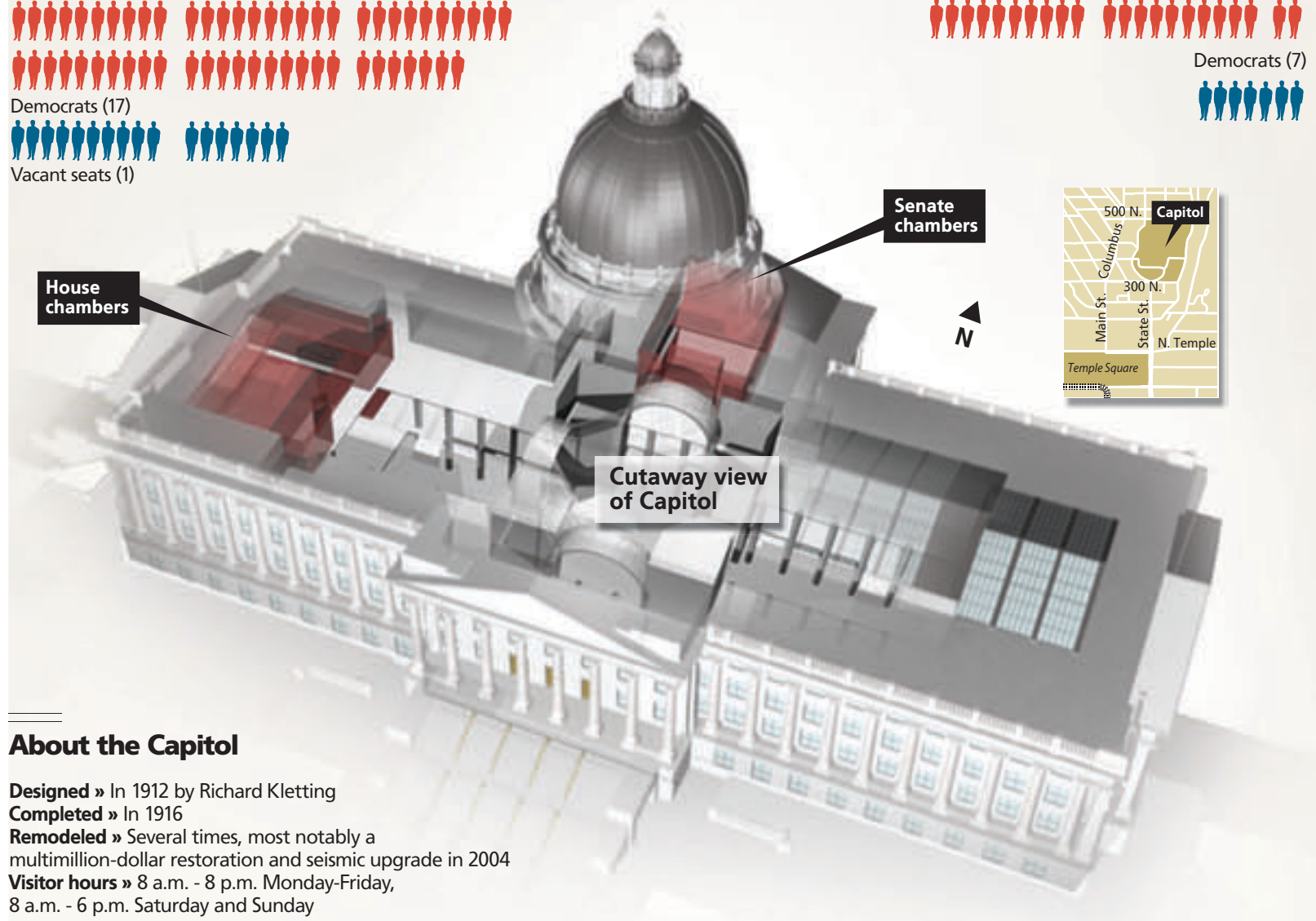
representatives. During the session, you can follow the legislative proceedings by picking up The Salt Lake Tribune and turning to the newspaper's Legislature page.

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Utah House of Representatives



Utah Senate



About the Capitol

Designed » In 1912 by Richard Kletting
Completed » In 1916
Remodeled » Several times, most notably a multimillion-dollar restoration and seismic upgrade in 2004

House leadership

Portraits and names of House leadership: Rebecca Lockhart, Brad L. Dee, David Litvack.

Senate leadership

Portraits and names of Senate leadership: Michael Waddoups, Scott Jenkins, Ross Romero.



From bill to law

1. Preparation » A bill is prepared by the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel. Bills can originate in either body.

2. House introduction »

The bill is introduced in the House and referred to the House Rules Committee.

3. Assigned »

The House Rules Committee recommends the bill be assigned to a committee.

4. Financial estimate »

The bill receives a fiscal note, which estimates the financial effects of the proposed legislation on state and local government.

5. Committee to floor »

The House Standing Committee hears the bill. Citizens can testify. There is a debate in the House and a final vote on the bill.

6. To the Senate »

If the bill is passed it is sent to the Senate, introduced and referred to the Senate Rules Committee, which recommends an assignment.

7. Committee to floor »

The Senate Standing Committee hears the bill. Citizens can testify. There is a debate in the Senate and a final vote on the bill.

8. Senate/House sign bill »

The bill is signed by the president of the Senate and returned to the House for signing by the speaker.

9. On to the governor »

The bill is sent to the governor for signature or veto. A signed bill becomes law.

Legislative roster (alphabetical)

UTAH SENATE

Table listing Utah Senators with columns for Name/Party, City, Occupation, Phones, and E-Mail.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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