



# Signatures collection in Latvia

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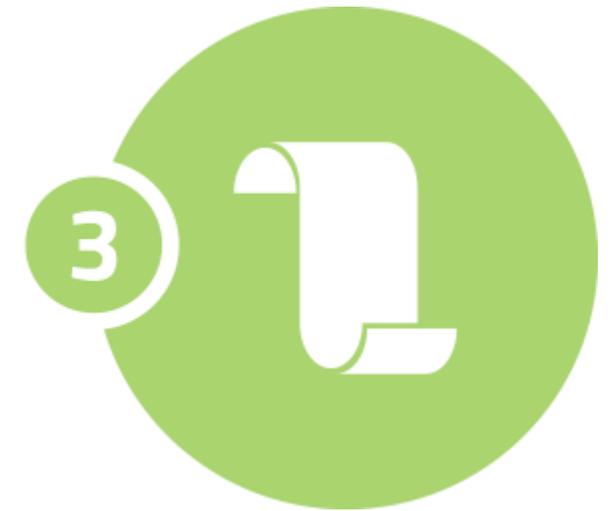
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Legislative  
initiatives



Initiation of  
recalling of the  
Saeima

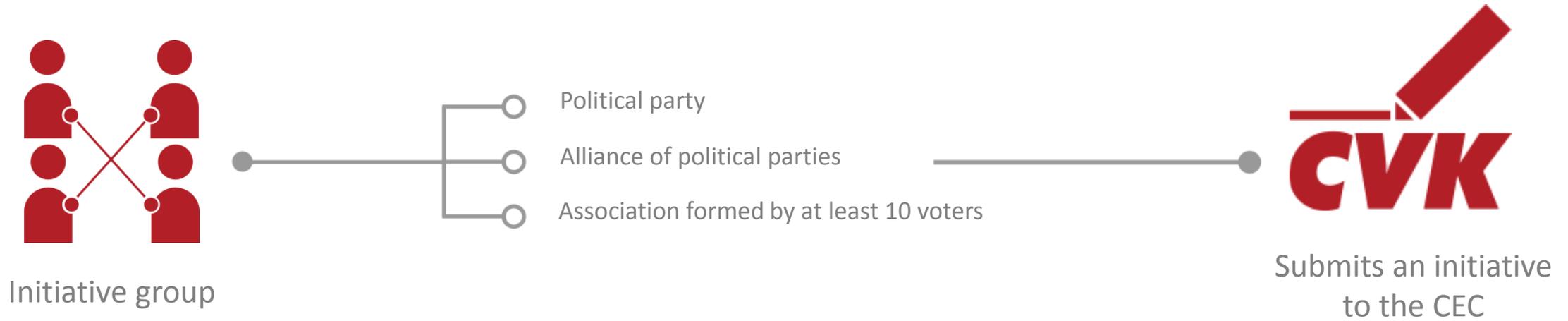


Initiation of  
referendum for  
the suspended law



# Legislative initiatives

# The preparation of the initiative



# Registration of the initiative

CEC registers  
the initiative



The initiative does  
not comply with the  
law



Initiative group  
does not comply  
with the law



CEC does not register  
the initiative if



# Signature certification



In the Residence declaration  
place of the municipality



In the Orphans' Court, which  
fulfils the function of notary  
public



In the counties - by the  
chairperson of a parish or a  
city council



By the sworn notary



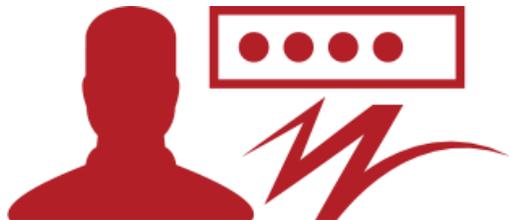
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# The preconditions for the implementation of the initiative



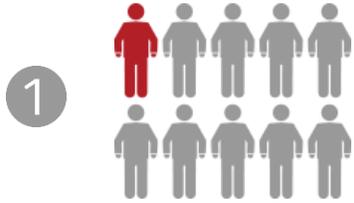
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Confirmation of signatures on a form approved by the CEC



The voter presents an identity document and signs his name on the form

# The progress of the initiative



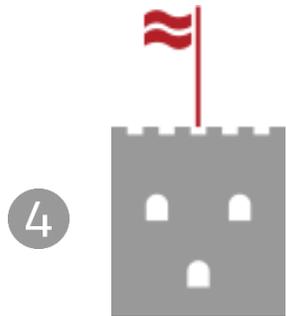
The initiative signed by 1/10 of the electorate



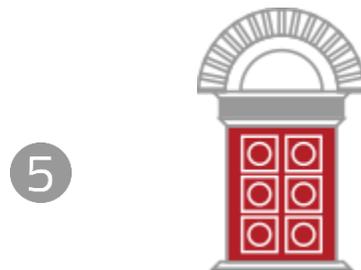
CEC carries out the verification



CEC forwards the submitted initiative to the President within 3 days



The President submits the initiative to the Saeima



The Saeima considers the initiative

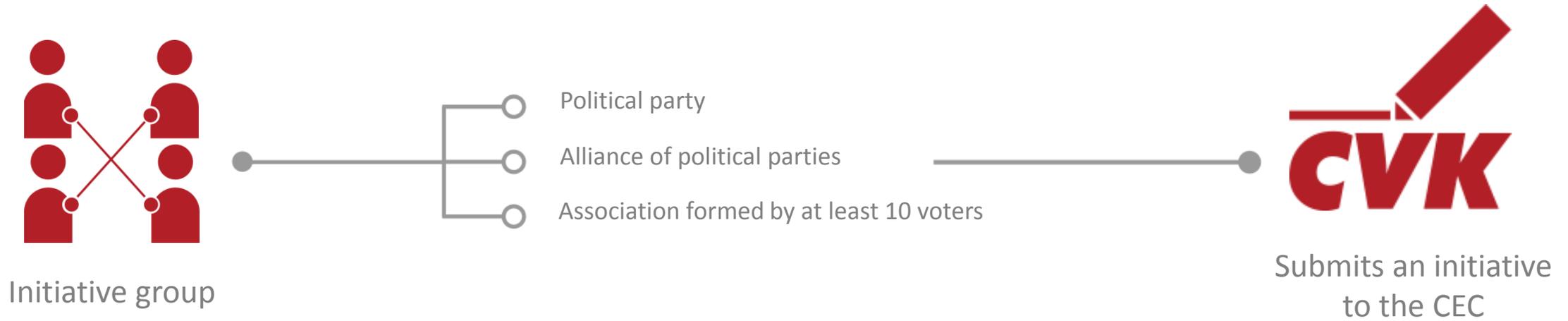


The referendum is organized if the Saeima rejects the initiative or adopt it with amendments

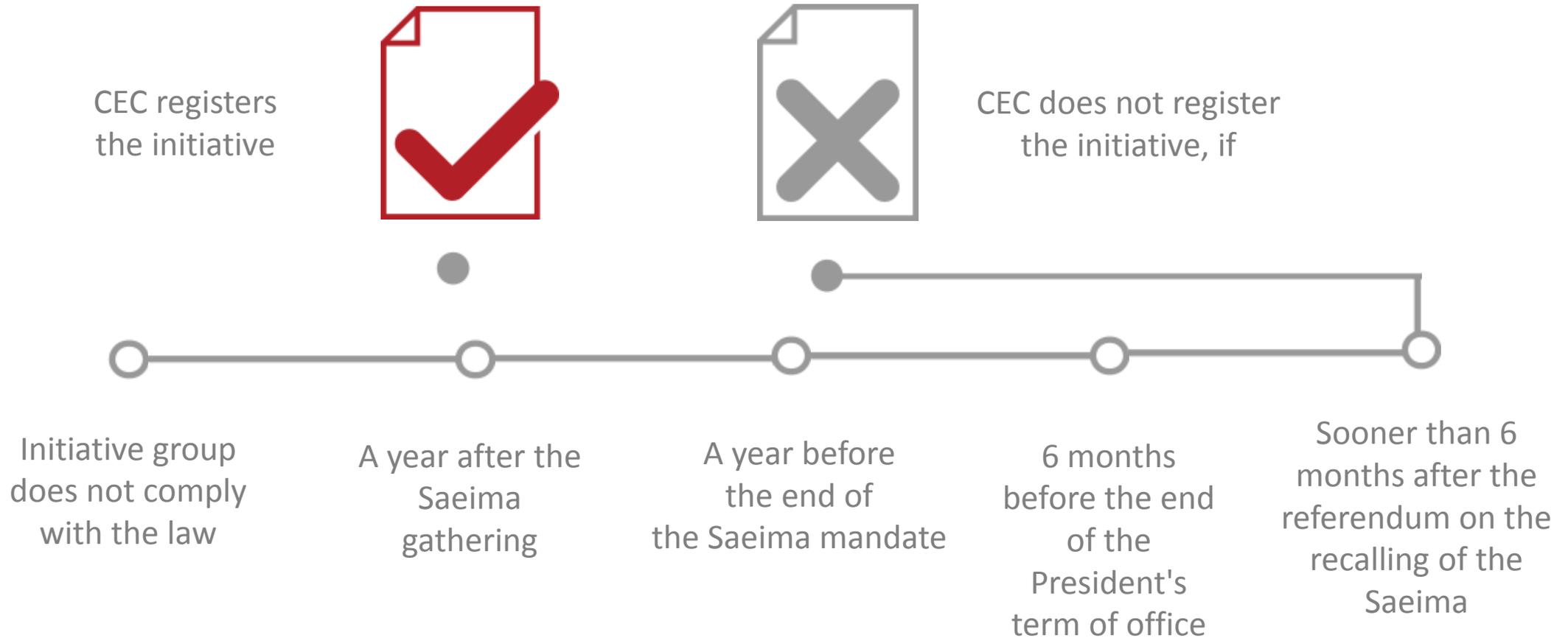


## Initiation of recalling of the Saeima

# The preparation of the initiative



# Registration of the initiative



# Signature certification



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rural territories or towns  
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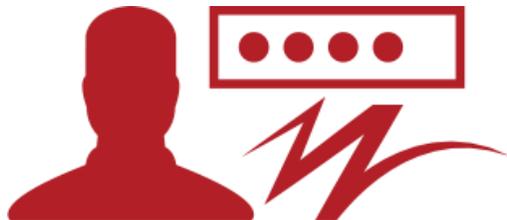
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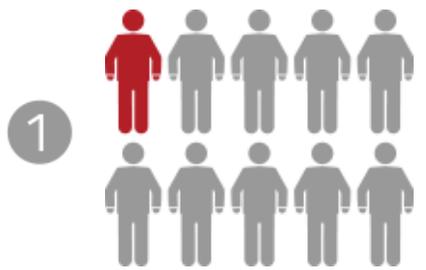
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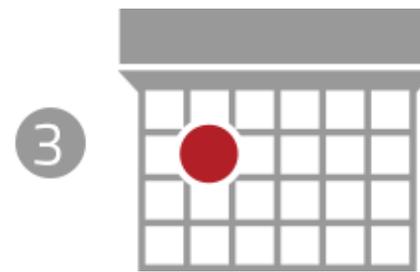
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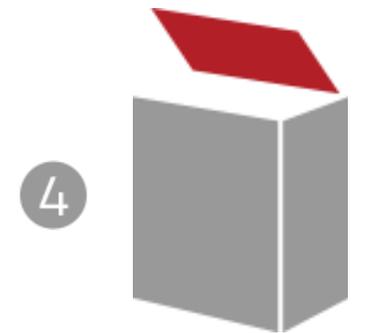
1  
The initiative  
signed by 1/10 of  
the electorate



2  
CEC carries out  
the verification



3  
CEC announces  
and sets the  
referendum day

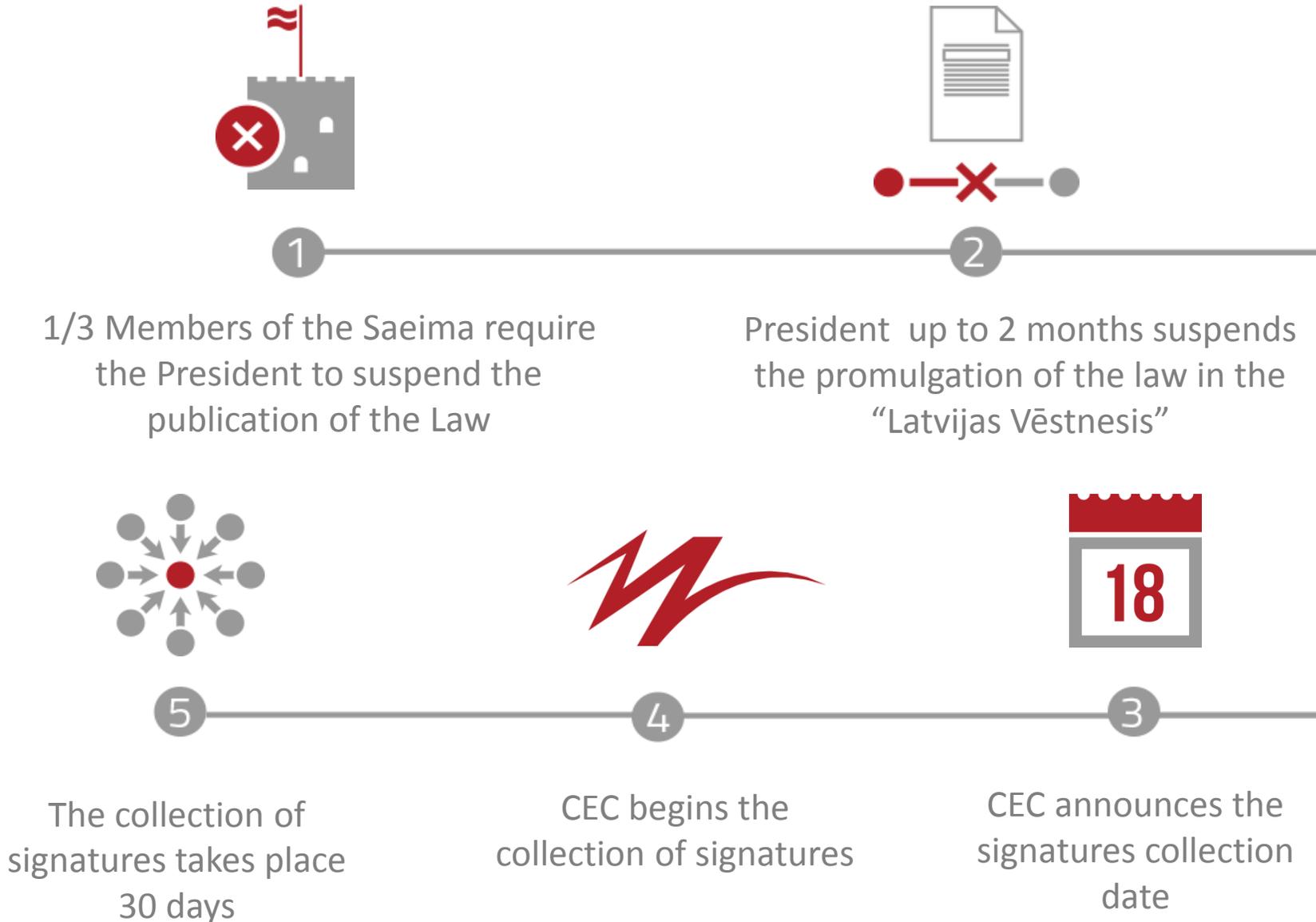


4  
Referendum is organized  
1-2 months after the  
publication of  
information in the  
"Latvijas Vēstnesis"

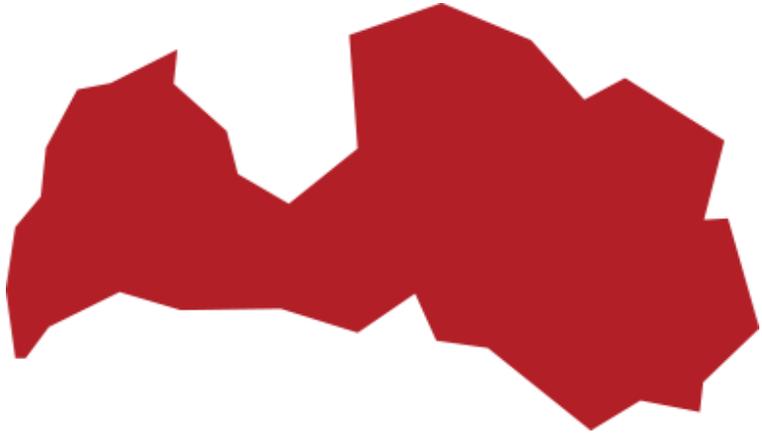


## **Initiation of the referendum for the suspended law**

# The progress of the process



# Collection of signatures

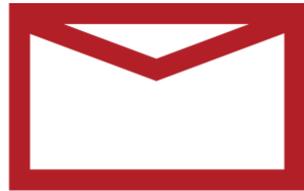


At the signature collection stations in the municipalities



Abroad - in embassies, consulates general and consulates of Latvia

# The organisation of a referendum



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**HOLD**

If during the collection of signatures the initiation of referendum is signed by 1/10 of the electorate



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**NOT HOLD**

The Saeima votes again on the suspended law and 3/4 of all members of the Saeima vote for

A woman with long blonde hair, wearing a white button-down shirt, is shown in profile from the chest up, clapping her hands. She is looking towards the right. In the background, two other people are visible, also clapping, though they are out of focus. The setting appears to be a bright, modern meeting room or conference space with large windows in the background.

Thank you for  
your attention!