SESSION DATES

Current:

2020
December 16, 2019 - January 17 Legislation may be prefiled
January 21 Opening day (noon)
February 5 Deadline for introduction
February 20 Session ends (noon)
March 11 Legislation not acted upon by governor is pocket vetoed
May 20 Effective date of legislation not a general appropriation bill or a bill carrying an emergency clause or other specified date

Future:

2021
January 1, 2021 - January 15 Legislation may be prefiled
January 19 Opening day (noon)
February 18 Deadline for introduction
March 20 Session ends (noon)
April 9 Legislation not acted upon by governor is pocket vetoed
June 18 Effective date of legislation not a general appropriation bill or a bill carrying an emergency clause or other specified date

Prior:

2019
December 17, 2018 - January 11 Legislation may be prefiled
January 15 Opening day (noon)
February 14 Deadline for introduction
March 16 Session ends (noon)
April 5 Legislation not acted upon by governor is pocket vetoed
June 14 Effective date of legislation not a general appropriation bill or a bill carrying an emergency clause or other specified date

2018
December 15, 2017 - January 12 Legislation may be prefiled
January 16 Opening day (noon)
January 31 Deadline for introduction
February 15 Session ends (noon)
March 7 Legislation not acted upon by governor is pocket vetoed
May 16 Effective date of legislation not a general appropriation bill or a bill carrying an emergency clause or other specified date
2017 Special Session
May 24 Opening day
May 30 Session ended
June 19 Legislation not acted upon by the governor is pocket vetoed
August 28 Effective date of legislation not a general appropriation bill or a bill carrying an emergency clause or other specified date

2017
December 15, 2016 - January 13 Legislation may be prefiled
January 17 Opening day (noon)
February 16 Deadline for introduction
March 18 Session ended (noon)
April 7 Legislation not acted upon by governor was pocket vetoed
June 16 Effective date of legislation not a general appropriation bill or a bill carrying an emergency clause or other specified date

2016 Special Session
September 30 Opening day
October 6 Session ended
October 26 Legislation not acted upon by governor was pocket vetoed
January 4 Effective date of legislation not a general appropriation bill or a bill carrying an emergency clause or other specified date

2016
December 15, 2015 - January 15 Legislation may be prefiled
January 19 Opening day (noon)
February 3 Deadline for introduction
February 18 Session ended (noon)
March 9 Legislation not acted upon by governor was pocket vetoed
May 18 Effective date of legislation not a general appropriation bill or a bill carrying an emergency clause or other specified date

2015 Special Session
June 8 Opening day (noon)
June 8 Session ended
June 28 Legislation not acted upon by governor was pocket vetoed
September 6 Effective date of legislation not a general appropriation bill or a bill carrying an emergency clause or other specified date
2015
December 15, 2014 - January 16 Legislation may be prefilled
January 20 Opening day (noon)
February 19 Deadline for introduction
March 21 Session ended (noon)
April 10 Legislation not acted upon by governor was pocket vetoed
June 19 Effective date of legislation not a general appropriation bill or a bill carrying an emergency clause or other specified date

2014
December 16, 2013 - January 17 Legislation may be prefilled
January 21 Opening day (noon)
February 5 Deadline for introduction
February 20 Session ended (noon)
March 12 Legislation not acted upon by governor was pocket vetoed
May 21 Effective date of legislation not a general appropriation bill or a bill carrying an emergency clause or other specified date

2013
December 17, 2012 - January 11 Legislation may be prefilled
January 15 Opening day (noon)
February 14 Deadline for introduction
March 16 Session ended (noon)
April 5 Legislation not acted upon by governor was pocket vetoed
June 14 Effective date of legislation not a general appropriation bill or a bill carrying an emergency clause or other specified date

2012
December 15, 2011 - January 13 Legislation may be prefilled
January 17 Opening day (noon)
February 1 Deadline for introduction
February 16 Session ended (noon)
March 7 Legislation not acted upon by governor was pocket vetoed
May 16 Effective date of legislation not a general appropriation bill or a bill carrying an emergency clause or other specified date

2011 Special Session
September 6 Opening day
September 24 Session ended
October 14 Legislation not acted upon by governor was pocket vetoed
December 23 Effective date of legislation not a general appropriation bill or a bill carrying an emergency clause or other specified date
2011
December 15, 2010 - January 14 Legislation may be prefilled
January 18 Opening day (noon)
February 17 Deadline for introduction
March 19 Session ended (noon)
April 8 Legislation not acted upon by governor was pocket vetoed
June 17 Effective date of legislation not a general appropriation bill or a
       bill carrying an emergency clause or other specified date

2010 Special Session
March 1 Opening day (noon)
March 4 Session ended
March 24 Legislation not acted upon by governor was pocket vetoed
June 2 Effective date of legislation not a general appropriation bill or a
       bill carrying an emergency clause or other specified date

2010
December 15, 2009 - January 15 Legislation may be prefilled
January 19 Opening day (noon)
February 3 Deadline for introduction
February 18 Session ended (noon)
March 10 Legislation not acted upon by governor was pocket vetoed
May 19 Effective date of legislation not a general appropriation bill or a
       bill carrying an emergency clause or other specified date

2009 Special Session
October 17 Opening day (3 p.m.)
October 23 Session ended
November 12 Legislation not acted upon by governor was pocket vetoed
January 21, 2010 Effective date of legislation not a general appropriation bill or a
       bill carrying an emergency clause or other specified date

2009
December 15, 2008 - January 16 Legislation may be prefilled
January 20 Opening day (noon)
February 19 Deadline for introduction
March 21 Session ended (noon)
April 10 Legislation not acted upon by governor was pocket vetoed
June 19 Effective date of legislation not a general appropriation bill or a
       bill carrying an emergency clause or other specified date
2008 Special Session
August 15 Opening day (noon)
August 19 Session ended
September 8 Legislation not acted upon by governor was pocket vetoed
November 17 Effective date of legislation not a general appropriation bill or a bill carrying an emergency clause or other specified date

2008
December 17, 2007 - January 11 Legislation may be prefiled
January 15 Opening day (noon)
January 30 Deadline for introduction
February 14 Session ended (noon)
March 5 Legislation not acted upon by governor was pocket vetoed
May 14 Effective date of legislation not a general appropriation bill or a bill carrying an emergency clause or other specified date

2007 Special Session
March 20 Opening day (noon)
March 30 Session ended
April 19 Legislation not acted upon by governor was pocket vetoed
June 28 Effective date of legislation not a general appropriation bill or a bill containing an emergency clause or other specified date

2007
January 16 Opening day (noon)
February 15 Deadline for introduction
March 17 Session ended (noon)
April 6 Legislation not acted upon by governor was pocket vetoed
June 15 Effective date of legislation not a general appropriation bill or a bill containing an emergency clause or other specified date

2006
January 17 Opening day (noon)
February 1 Deadline for introduction
February 16 Session ended (noon)
March 8 Legislation not acted upon by governor was pocket vetoed
May 17 Effective date of legislation not a general appropriation bill or a bill carrying an emergency clause or other specified date