

Dates of Interest

Session Begins

Tuesday, January 11, 2011 (1st day)

82nd Legislature convenes at noon
[Government Code, Sec. 301.001]

Friday, March 11, 2011 (60th day)

Deadline for filing bills and joint resolutions other than local bills, emergency appropriations, and bills that have been declared an emergency by the governor
[House Rule 8, Sec. 8; Senate Rule 7.07(b); Senate Rule 10.01 subjects joint resolutions to the rules governing proceedings on bills]

Friday, April 15, 2011

First day that a senator may place five bills or resolutions on the Intent Calendar
[Senate Rule 5.14(a)]

Monday, May 9, 2011 (119th day)

Last day for house committees to report house bills and house joint resolutions
[relates to House Rule 6, Sec. 16(a), requiring 36-hour layout of daily calendars prior to consideration, and House Rule 8, Sec. 13(b), the deadline for consideration]

Tuesday, May 10, 2011 (120th day)

Deadline for house to distribute last House Daily Calendar with nonlocal house bills and joint resolutions
[relates to House Rule 6, Sec. 16(a), requiring 36-hour layout of daily calendars prior to consideration]

Wednesday, May 11, 2011 (121st day)

Deadline for house to distribute last House Local and Consent Calendar with *consent* house bills
[relates to House Rule 6, Sec. 13, requiring 48-hour layout of local and consent calendars prior to consideration]

Thursday, May 12, 2011 (122nd day)

Last day for house to consider nonlocal house bills and joint resolutions on second reading
[House Rule 8, Sec. 13(b)]

Friday, May 13, 2011 (123rd day)

Last day for house to consider nonlocal house bills and joint resolutions on third reading and to consider consent house bills on second and third reading
[House Rule 8, Sec. 13(b)]

Wednesday, May 18, 2011 (128th day)

Deadline for house to distribute last House Local and Consent Calendar with *local* house bills

[relates to House Rule 6, Sec. 13, requiring 48-hour layout of local and consent calendars prior to consideration]

Friday, May 20, 2011 (130th day)

Last day for house to consider *local* house bills

[House Rule 8, Sec. 13(a)]

First day senate can consider bills and resolutions the first day they are posted on the Intent Calendar

[Senate Rule 5.14(b)]

Saturday, May 21, 2011 (131st day)

Last day for house committees to report senate bills and senate joint resolutions

[relates to House Rule 6, Sec. 16(a), requiring 36-hour layout of daily calendars prior to consideration, and House Rule 8, Sec. 13(c), the deadline for consideration]

Sunday, May 22, 2011 (132nd day)

Deadline for house to distribute last House Daily Calendar with senate bills and joint resolutions

[relates to House Rule 6, Sec. 16(a), requiring 36-hour layout of daily calendars prior to consideration]

Monday, May 23, 2011 (133rd day)

Deadline for house to distribute last House Local and Consent Calendar with senate bills

[relates to House Rule 6, Sec. 13, requiring 48-hour layout of local and consent calendars prior to consideration]

Tuesday, May 24, 2011 (134th day)

Last day for house to consider senate bills and joint resolutions, other than local and consent, on second reading

[House Rule 8, Sec. 13(c)]

Wednesday, May 25, 2011 (135th day)

Last day for house to consider local and consent senate bills on second reading or any senate bills or joint resolutions on third reading

[House Rule 8, Sec. 13(c)]

Last day for senate to consider any bills or joint resolutions on third reading

[Senate Rule 7.25; Senate Rule 10.01 subjects joint resolutions to the rules governing proceedings on bills]

Thursday, May 26, 2011 (136th day)

Midnight deadline for house to print and distribute senate amendments

[relates to House Rule 13, Sec. 5(a), requiring 24-hour layout of senate amendments prior to consideration]

Friday, May 27, 2011 (137th day)

Last day for house to consider senate amendments

[House Rule 8, Sec. 13(d)]

Midnight deadline for senate to print and distribute senate copies of conference committee reports on tax, general appropriations, and reapportionment bills

[relates to Senate Rule 12.09(a), requiring 48-hour layout of certain conference committee reports in regular session]

Last day for senate committees to report all bills and joint resolutions

[relates to Senate Rule 7.24(b), but note that the 135th day (two days earlier) is the last day for third reading in the senate; practical deadline for senate committees is before the 135th day; Senate Rule 10.01 subjects joint resolutions to the rules governing proceedings on bills]

Saturday, May 28, 2011 (138th day)

Midnight deadline for house to distribute house copies of all conference committee reports

[relates to House Rule 13, Sec. 10(a), requiring 24-hour layout of all conference committee reports]

Midnight deadline for senate to print and distribute all conference committee reports other than those on tax, general appropriations, and reapportionment bills and all house amendments to senate bills and joint resolutions that did not go to a conference committee

[relates to Senate Rule 12.09(b) and Senate Rule 7.21, requiring 24-hour layout of certain conference committee reports and house amendments to senate bills during the last 72 hours of a regular session; Senate Rule 10.01 subjects joint resolutions to the rules governing proceedings on bills]

Sunday, May 29, 2011 (139th day)

Last day for house to adopt conference committee reports

[House Rule 8, Sec. 13(e)]

Last day for senate to concur in house amendments or adopt conference committee reports

[relates to Senate Rule 7.25, limiting a vote on the passage of any bill during the last 24 hours of the session to correct an error in the bill]

Monday, May 30, 2011 (140th day)

Last day of 82nd Regular Session; corrections only in house and senate

[Sec. 24(b), Art. III, Texas Constitution]

Session Ends

Sunday, June 19, 2011 (20th day following final adjournment)

Last day governor can sign or veto bills passed during the regular legislative session

[Sec. 14, Art. IV, Texas Constitution]

Monday, August 29, 2011 (91st day following final adjournment)

Date that bills without specific effective dates (that could not be effective immediately) become law

[Sec. 39, Art. III, Texas Constitution]