

**Table 3.19**  
**BILL AND RESOLUTION INTRODUCTIONS AND ENACTMENTS:**  
**2016 REGULAR SESSIONS**

State	Duration of session**	Introductions		Enactments/Adoptions		Measures vetoed by governor (a)(b)	Length of session
		Bills	Resolutions*	Bills	Resolutions*		
Alabama	Feb. 2 - May 4, 2016	1,005	524	277	144	3	30L
Alaska	Jan. 20 - Apr. 27, 2016	614	14	116	84	3	N.A.
Arizona	Jan. 11 - May 7, 2016	1,247	82	374	21	14	117C
Arkansas	Apr. 13 - May 9, 2016	309	34	300	10	0	N.A.
California	Dec. 1, 2014 - Nov. 30, 2016	2,770	381	808	310	133	246L
Colorado	Jan. 13 - May 11, 2016	686	100	387	83	2	120C
Connecticut	Feb. 3 - May 4, 2016	1,116 (d)	243	239	124	6	92C
Delaware	Jan. 12 - Jun. 30, 2016	358	139	380	0	2	52L
Florida	Jan. 12, 2016 - Mar. 11, 2016	1,621(f)	136 (f)	272 (f)	84 (f)	3	60C
Georgia	Jan. 11 -Mar. 24, 2016	1,282	1,791	323	1,453	16	40C
Hawaii	Jan. 20 - May 5, 2016	2,387	679	245	184	8	60L
Idaho	Jan. 11 - Mar. 25, 2016	557	75	377	52	2	75C
Illinois	Jan. 14, 2015 - NA	10,341	6,176	7,680	N.A.	168	142L
Indiana	Nov. 17, 2015 - Mar. 10, 2016	1,831	297	216	N.A.	2	34L (g)
Iowa	Jan. 11, 2016 - Jan. 8, 2017	516	17	N.A.	11	0	143C
Kansas	Jan. 11 - Jun. 1, 2016	514 (h)	81 (h)	112 (h)	7 (h)	3	73C
Kentucky	Jan. 5 - Mar. 1, 2016	632	331	150	N.A.	6	60L
Louisiana	Feb. 14 - Mar. 9, 2016	1,878	900	727	889	6	82C
Maine	Jan. 6, 2016 - Apr. 29, 2016	425	N.A.	180	N.A.	60	43L
Maryland	Jan. 1 - Apr. 11, 2016	2,817	15	834	1	2	89C
Massachusetts	Jan. 8 - Jul. 31, 2014	N.A.	N.A.	464	N.A.	5	N.A.
Michigan	Jan. 13 - Dec. 28, 2016	1,475	356	563	298	9	161L (e)
Minnesota	Mar. 8 - May 23, 2016	3,068	140	107	7	3	42L
Mississippi	Jan. 5 - Apr. 21, 2016	2,758	458	207	397	4	108C
Missouri	Jan. 6 - May 13, 2016	2,044	172	138	21	24	38L
Montana							No Regular Session in 2016
Nebraska (U)	Jan. 6 - Apr. 20, 2016	491	214	258	128	5	60L
Nevada							No Regular Session in 2016
New Hampshire	Jan. 6 - Jul. 1, 2016	1,044	16	332	3	13	29L
New Jersey	Jan. 12, 2016 - Jan. 9, 2018 (i)	7,165	831	83	55	10	L (i)
New Mexico	Jan. 19 - Feb. 18, 2016	634	48	8	3	9	30C
New York	Jan. 1, 2016 - Jan. 4, 2017	16,691	N.A.	519	4,125	97	365C
North Carolina	Apr. 25 - Jul. 2, 2016	351	45	126	23	1	71C
North Dakota							No Regular Session in 2016
Ohio	Jan. 4 - Dec. 8, 2016 (l)	326	29	135	6	3	106L(l)
Oklahoma		1,740	199	362	86	5	68L
Oregon	Feb. 1 - Mar. 3, 2016	254	28	124	18	0	N.A.
Pennsylvania	Jan. 5 - Nov. 30, 2016	993 (j)	724 (j)	175	3	7	N.A.
Rhode Island	Jan. 5 - Jun. 16, 2016	2,472	N.A.	1,021	N.A.	7	N.A.
South Carolina	Jan. 12 - Jun. 2, 2016	798	814	162	688	11	67L (k)
South Dakota	Jan. 12 - Mar. 29, 2016	418	25	236	15	7	38L
Tennessee	Jan. 12 - Apr. 22, 2016	2,837	1,347	1,026	1,262	1	N.A.
Texas							No Regular Session in 2016
Utah	Jan. 25 - Mar. 10, 2016	416	48	409	48	6	45C
Vermont	Jan. 5 - May 7, 2016	487	256	122	296	2	123C
Virginia	Jan. 13 - Mar. 12, 2016	2,172	1,114	767	992	32	N.A.
Washington	Jan. 11 - Mar. 10, 2016	1,251	35	266	8	4	60C
West Virginia	Jan. 13 - Mar. 15, 2016	1,896	112	276	172	27	60C
Wisconsin	Jan. 12 - Mar. 15, 2016	1,830	236	392	92	7	N.A.
Wyoming	Feb. 8 - Mar. 4, 2016	181	6	120	2	0	20L

See footnotes at end of table.

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*Source:* The Council of State Governments' survey of legislative agencies and state Web sites, April 2017

\* Includes Joint and Concurrent resolutions.

\*\*Actual adjournment dates are listed regardless of constitutional or statutory limitations. For more information on provisions, see Table 3.2, "Legislative Sessions: Legal Provisions."

*Key:*

C - Calendar day.

L - Legislative day (in some states, called a session or workday; definition may vary slightly; however, it generally refers to any day on which either chamber of the legislature is in session).

U - Unicameral legislature

N.A. - Not available.

(a) Line item or partial vetoes: California - 1; Florida - 270; Illinois - 1; Iowa - 1; Kansas - 2; Kentucky - 1; New Jersey - 25 Conditional Vetoes and 1 line item. New Mexico - 6; New York - 3; Ohio - 3; Oklahoma - 1; Washington - 10; Wyoming - 1

(b) Number of vetoes overridden: Connecticut - 3; Illinois - 16; Kansas - 1; Wyoming - 1.

(c) Session also reconvened and adjourned on June 16, 2015.

(d) There is some redundancy in the numbers because committee bills are based on proposed bills, which are introduced by individual legislators at the beginning of the session. Governor's Bills are introduced on behalf of the governor by legislative leaders of the governor's party.

They reflect initiatives of the governor, and not necessarily those of the introducing legislators. The total number, 1,116, breaks down as: 214 (Proposed Bills); 862 (Raised Bills); 14 (Committee Bills); 1 (Emergency Certified); 25 (Governor's Bills).

(e) Senate 80L - House 81L.

(f) Bill introductions - Senate - 856 and House - 765. Resolution introductions - Senate - 71 and House - 65. Bill enactments - Senate general - 116; no Senate local; House general 129; no House local. Resoution enactments - Senate 44; House - 40.

(g) Senate met on 34 days and House met on 33 days.

(h) Bill introductions - Senate - 207 and House - 307. Resolution introductions - Senate - 40 and House - 41. Bill enactments - Senate - 59; House; 53; Resoution enactments - 7 Joint. Of the Bills introduces total 238 Senate bills were carried over from the 2015 Session and 335 were carried over from the House.

(i) Total number of days in session: 18 Senate Voting Sessions, 27 Senate Quorums (committee days), 14 Assembly Sessions, 27 Assembly Quorums (cmtc. Days). This is for 2016 only. New Jersey has a two year session and all legislation is viable until Jan. 9, 2018. There have been 2 Joint Sessions.

(j) Bill Introductions - Senate - 333, House - 660. Resolution introductions - Senate - 220, House - 504

(k) Senate met for 84L

(l) Senate adjourned on Dec. 29, 2016. Senate met for 126L.