

Table 3.19
BILL AND RESOLUTION INTRODUCTIONS AND ENACTMENTS:
2015 REGULAR SESSIONS

State	Duration of session**	Introductions		Enactments/Adoptions		Measures vetoed by governor (a)(b)	Length of session
		Bills	Resolutions*	Bills	Resolutions*		
Alabama	Mar. 3–Jun. 4, 2015	1,210	483	357	142	0	29L
Alaska	Jan. 20–Apr. 27, 2015	575	113	48	52	3	N.A.
Arizona	Jan. 12–Apr. 3, 2015	1,163	89	324	36	0	82C
Arkansas	Jan. 12–Apr. 22, 2015	2,062	137	1,289	N.A.	0	N.A.
California	Dec. 1, 2014–Sep. 11, 2015	2,370	326	807	274	133	127L
Colorado	Jan. 7–May 6, 2015	682	75	364	61	3	120C
Connecticut	Jan. 7–Jun. 3, 2015	3,202 (d)	232	261	124	4	152C
Delaware	Jan. 13–Jun. 30, 2015	370	123	194	3,202 (d)(0)	2	43L
Florida	Mar. 3–May 1, 2015 (j)	1,574	160	227	2	7	60C (j)
Georgia	Jan. 12–Apr. 2, 2015	955	1,610	312	1,439	301	N.A.
Hawaii	Jan. 21–May 7, 2015	2,894	753	252	190	8	60L
Idaho	Jan. 12–Apr. 11, 2015	523	72	382	48	4	89L
Illinois (k)	Jan. 14–Dec. 7, 2015	6,534	2,210	483	1,991	44	N.A.
Indiana	Jan. 6–Apr. 29, 2015	1,237	168	258	N.A.	0	N.A.
Iowa	Jan. 12–Jun. 5, 2015	1,851 (e)	118	143	53 (f)	1	145C
Kansas	Jan. 12–Jun. 26, 2015	746	108	105	8	1	114C
Kentucky	Jan. 6–Mar. 24, 2015	752	491	117	12	1	29L
Louisiana	Apr. 13–Jun. 11, 2015	1,106	832	469	250	9	36L
Maine	Dec. 3, 2014–Jul. 6, 2015	1,455	53 (f)(0)	442	53 (f)(0)	178	69L
Maryland	Jan. 14–Apr. 13, 2015	2,234	14	495	N.A.	193	90C
Massachusetts	Jan. 8–Jul. 31, 2014	6,988	4,546	704	N.A.	5	N.A.
Michigan	Jan. 14–Dec. 18, 2015	1,890	408	269	251	0	112L (i)
Minnesota	Jan. 6–May 18, 2015	4,605	N.A.	80	...	3	N.A.
Mississippi	Jan. 6–Apr. 2, 2015	2,620	304	347	253	5	90C
Missouri	Jan. 7–May 30, 2015	1,888	67	131	2	18	72L
Montana	Jan. 5–Apr. 28, 2015	1,187	103	457	80	52	87L
Nebraska (U)	Jan. 7–May 29, 2015	664	377	247	241	5	89L
Nevada	Feb. 2–June 1, 2015	1,013	62	556	41	7	120C
New Hampshire	Jan. 7–Sep. 16, 2015	902	33	276	1	10	19L
New Jersey	Jan. 14, 2014–Jan. 12, 2016	9,074	N.A.	381	16	62	728C
New Mexico	Jan. 20–Mar. 21, 2015	1,281	42	158	3	33	60C
New York	Jan. 7, 2015–Jan. 6, 2016	14,823	N.A.	589	3,734	125	365C
North Carolina	Jan. 14–Sep. 30, 2015	1,634	32	300	14	2	260C
North Dakota	Jan. 6–Apr. 29, 2015 (c)	854	87	484	53	1	79L
Ohio	Jan. 5–Dec. 30, 2015 (g)	678	53	45	14	0	125L (h)
Oklahoma	Jan. 6–May 22, 2015	2,112	182	398	72	17	64C
Oregon	Feb. 2–Jul. 6, 2015	2,641	158	848	74	0	154C
Pennsylvania	Jan. 6–Dec. 31, 2015	2,867	888	39	1	9	N.A.
Rhode Island	Jan. 6–Jun. 25, 2015	2,399	N.A.	423	439	0	176C
South Carolina	Jan. 13–Jun. 4, 2015	N.A.	259	138	143	2	143C
South Dakota	Jan. 13–Mar. 30, 2015	427	25	258	19	3	39L
Tennessee	Jan. 13–Apr. 22, 2015	N.A.	1,519	1,007	1,519	0	107C
Texas	Jan. 13–Jun. 1, 2015	6,276	374	1,323	107	42	140C
Utah	Jan. 26–Mar. 12, 2015	1,520	84	477	51	1	N.A.
Vermont	Jan. 7–May 16, 2015	666	267	64	251	0	130C
Virginia	Jan. 14–Feb. 27, 2015	1,919	857	774	713	17	45C
Washington	Jan. 12–Apr. 24, 2015	2,365	53	297	10	10	N.A.
West Virginia	Jan. 14–Mar. 14, 2015	1,607	256	262	143	19	60C
Wisconsin	Jan. 5–Dec 10, 2015	1,830	381	356	381	0	339C
Wyoming	Jan. 13–Mar. 6, 2015	391	17	204	6	3	37L

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 2016

* 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; Illinois—1; Iowa—7; Kansas—1; Kentucky—1; Louisiana—5; Maine—152 (all over-ridden); Maryland—1; Michigan—1; New Mexico—3; New York—4; North Dakota—4; Ohio—2; Pennsylvania—1; Texas—23 line item vetoes in 2 bills; Virginia—68; Washington—9; Wyoming—2

(b) Number of vetoes overridden: Illinois—14; Kansas—1; Maine—126; Missouri—12; Nebraska—4; North Carolina—2; Oklahoma—1; South Dakota—1; West Virginia—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, 3,202, breaks down as: 2,155 (Proposed Bills); 660 (Raised Bills); 350 (Committee Bills); 2 (Emergency Certified); 35 (Governor's Bills).

(e) Bill introductions total includes 551 filed study bills.

(f) Includes 42 simple resolution enactments.

(g) Senate only. House adjourned on 12/29.

(h) Senate only; 123 legislative days in House.

(i) Senate only; 104 legislative days in House.

(j) Senate only. House adjourned on 4/28 and served 57 calendar days.

(k) Information and numbers as of Nov. 13, 2015.