

STATE LEGISLATURES

**Table 3.19
BILL AND RESOLUTION INTRODUCTIONS AND ENACTMENTS:
2010 REGULAR SESSIONS**

State	Duration of session**	Introductions		Enactments/Adoptions		Measures vetoed by governor (a)(b)	Length of session
		Bills	Resolutions*	Bills	Resolutions*		
Alabama.....	Jan. 12 – Apr. 22, 2010	1,425	1,243	296	457	10	105C
Alaska.....	Jan. 19 – Apr. 19, 2010	739	172	183	91	2	90C
Arizona.....	Jan. 11 – Apr. 29, 2010	1,233	168	338	33	17	109C
Arkansas.....	Feb. 8 – Feb. 25, 2010	321	11	297	7	0	25C
California (c).....	Jan. 4 – Nov. 30, 2010	1,871	247	1,039	183	296	(f)
Colorado.....	Jan. 13 – May 13, 2010	783	123	455	98	5	120L
Connecticut.....	Feb. 3 – May 5, 2010	1,039	192	191	192	13	69L
Delaware.....	Jan. 12 – Jun. 30, 2010	350	89	261	N.A.	5	52L
Florida.....	Mar. 2 – Apr. 30, 2010	2,336	252	292	9	18	60C
Georgia.....	Jan. 11 – Apr. 20, 2010	1,287	3,792	330	1,923	31	40L
Hawaii.....	Jan. 20 – Apr. 29, 2010	2,112	982	212	222	47	60L
Idaho.....	Jan. 11 – Mar. 29, 2010	551	69	359 (e)	42	0	88C
Illinois.....	Jan. 12, 2010 – Jan. 11, 2011	3,697	1,706	686	1,482	5	(f)
Indiana (d)(g).....	Jan. 5 – Mar. 12, 2010	420	68	61	43	0	67C
Iowa.....	Jan. 11 – Mar. 30, 2010	949 (h)	N.A.	196 (h)	N.A.	1	79C
Kansas.....	Jan. 11 – May 11, 2010	592	27	165 (i)	8	2	89L
Kentucky.....	Jan. 5 – Apr. 15, 2010	826	637	164	513	1	60L
Louisiana.....	Mar. 29 – Jun. 21, 2010	2,288	771	1,061	646	14	51L
Maine.....	Jan. 6 – Apr. 12, 2010	336	30	278	0	0	37L
Maryland.....	Jan. 13 – Apr. 12, 2010	2,700	20	743	4	67	90C
Massachusetts (j).....	Jan. 6 – Dec. 30, 2010	5,363 (k)	N.A.	476	N.A.	1	128L
Michigan.....	Jan. 13 – Dec. 31, 2010	1,386	35	383	1	0	(f)
Minnesota.....	Feb. 4 – May 16, 2010	2,721	N.A.	202	4	18	49L
Mississippi.....	Jan. 5 – May 3, 2010	2,974	504	414	388	4	119C
Missouri.....	Jan. 6 – May 30, 2010	1,756	83	106 (l)	0	5	72L
Montana.....	No regular session						
Nebraska (U).....	Jan. 6 – Apr. 14, 2010	429	302	197	302 (m)	2	60L
Nevada.....	No regular session						
New Hampshire (n).....	Jan. 6 – Oct. 13, 2010	946	43	378	4	6	22L
New Jersey (o).....	Jan. 12 – Apr. 11, 2010	6,131	397	123	6	19	84L
New Mexico.....	Jan. 19 – Feb. 18, 2010	572	45	125	10	9	30C
New York.....	Jan. 6, 2010 – Jan. 5, 2011	18,062	N.A.	561 (p)	4,030	148	365C
North Carolina.....	May 12 – Jul. 10, 2010	704	76	196	31	0	60C
North Dakota.....	No regular session						
Ohio.....	Jan. 5 – Dec. 31, 2010 (s)	315	23	41	5	0	(f)
Oklahoma (g).....	Feb. 1 – May 28, 2010	1,082	60	226	22	16	68L
Oregon.....	No regular session						
Pennsylvania.....	Feb. 5 – Nov. 22, 2010	4,287	1,452	140	N.A.	6	74L
Rhode Island.....	Jan. 5 – Jun. 10, 2010	2,317	N.A.	429	385	17	(f)
South Carolina.....	Jan. 14 – Jun. 29, 2010	930	916	190	772	46	(f)
South Dakota.....	Jan. 12 – Mar. 30, 2010	474	36	247	21	7	39L
Tennessee.....	Jan. 12 – Jun. 9, 2010	3,157	1,661	583	(q)	1	(f)
Texas.....	No regular session						
Utah.....	Jan. 25 – Mar. 11, 2010	626	87	418	62	3	45C
Vermont (j).....	Jan. 5 – Jun. 9, 2010	336	N.A.	69	N.A.	1	(f)
Virginia.....	Jan. 13 – Mar. 14, 2010	2,135	769	871	670	0	61C
Washington.....	Jan. 11 – Mar. 11, 2010	1,250	50	296	10	4	60C
West Virginia.....	Jan. 13 – Mar. 20, 2010	2,079	N.A.	207	N.A.	12	67C
Wisconsin (r).....	Jan. 5 – Dec. 16, 2010	1,720	264	406	171	6	63L
Wyoming.....	Feb. 8 – Mar. 5, 2010	202	12	118	3	3	20L

See footnotes at end of table.

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Source: The Council of State Governments' survey of legislative agencies and state websites, April 2011.

*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: Alaska—6; California—1; Florida—2; Georgia—5; Illinois—17; Iowa—6; Kansas—11; Louisiana—28; Michigan—9; Minnesota—5; Missouri—1; Nebraska—1; New Mexico—4; Ohio—1; South Carolina (Appropriation Act—H. 4657: 107 line-item vetoes); South Dakota—1; Utah—1; Washington—22; Wisconsin—5; Wyoming—2.

(b) Number of vetoes overridden: Alabama—4; Alaska—1; Connecticut—6; Hawaii—11; Illinois—6; Nebraska—1; New Hampshire—1; South Carolina (Appropriation Act—29, other measures—36); South Dakota—3; Tennessee—1.

(c) Statistics provided are for the second half of the 2009–2010 Regular Session.

(d) The Indiana General Assembly meets for one Organization Day in November (11/17/10) and then does not meet again until it reconvenes in January. This one additional day is included in the number of calendar days noted above.

(e) 354 bills were signed by the governor, with an additional five laws enacted without the governor's signature.

(f) California (125L Assembly; 122L Senate), Illinois (81L House; 72L Senate), Michigan (100L House; 99L Senate), Ohio (111L House; 125L Senate), Rhode Island (58L House; 41L Senate), South Carolina (58L House; 68L Senate), Tennessee (46L House; 48L Senate), Vermont (128C House; 26L Senate).

(g) Senate only.

(h) Includes resolutions.

(i) Includes those carried over from 2009.

(j) House/Assembly only.

(k) Bill introductions 5,363 reflect the total number of measures filed in the House Clerk's office. The high House "bill number" (including committee redrafts) was 5,589.

(l) Includes 15 appropriation bills.

(m) Includes three constitutional amendments passed.

(n) Legislature adjourned to the Call of the Chair on June 6, 2010, and returned on October 13, 2010, to consider veto messages.

(o) Total days in session are combined Assembly and Senate Sessions and Quorum days and Joint sessions (which = 3).

(p) 560 bills signed by the Governor (in regular session), one bill delivered to the Secretary of State (constitutional amendment).

(q) Tennessee does not track the number of resolutions adopted.

(r) The Wisconsin legislature operates on a biennial session schedule that includes the entire two-year period 2009–2010. All figures are for the entire biennium.

(s) Dates given are House only. Senate dates: Jan. 4 – Dec. 27, 2010.