

**Table 3.20**  
**BILL AND RESOLUTION INTRODUCTIONS AND ENACTMENTS:**  
**2011 SPECIAL SESSIONS**

State or other jurisdiction	Duration of session**	Introductions		Enactments/adoptions		Measures vetoed by governor (a)(b)	Length of session
		Bills	Resolutions*	Bills	Resolutions*		
<b>Alabama</b> .....			No special session in 2011				
<b>Alaska</b> .....	Apr. 18–May 14, 2011	0	0	7	0	0	27C
	Jun. 27–Jun. 28, 2011	0	0	0	0	0	2C
<b>Arizona</b> .....	Jan. 19–Jan. 20, 2011 (c)	6	2	1	0	0	2C
	Feb. 14–Feb. 16, 2011 (d)	1	0	1	0	0	3C
	Jun. 10–Jun. 13, 2011 (e)	1	0	0	0	0	3C
	Nov. 1, 2011 (f)	0	0	0	0	0	1C
<b>Arkansas</b> .....			No special session in 2011				
<b>California (g)</b> .....	Dec. 6, 2010–Sep. 10, 2011	77	4	16	1	3	63L (h)
<b>Colorado</b> .....			No special session in 2011				
<b>Connecticut</b> .....	Jun. 30–Sep. 1, 2011 (i)	2	3	2	3	0	2L
	Oct. 26–Nov. 1, 2011 (j)	2	3	2	3	0	1L
<b>Delaware</b> .....			No special session in 2011				
<b>Florida</b> .....			No special session in 2011				
<b>Georgia</b> .....			No special session in 2011				
<b>Hawaii</b> .....			No special session in 2011				
<b>Idaho</b> .....			No special session in 2011				
<b>Illinois</b> .....			No special session in 2011				
<b>Indiana</b> .....			No special session in 2011				
<b>Iowa</b> .....			No special session in 2011				
<b>Kansas</b> .....			No special session in 2011				
<b>Kentucky</b> .....	Mar. 14–Apr. 6, 2011	6	63	1	N.A.	0	24C
<b>Louisiana</b> .....	Mar. 20–Apr. 13, 2011	82	97	43	91	0	24C
<b>Maine</b> .....	Sep. 27, 2011	3	1	2	1	0	1L
<b>Maryland</b> .....	Oct. 17–Oct. 20, 2011	55	0	3	0	0	4C
<b>Massachusetts</b> .....			No special session in 2011				
<b>Michigan</b> .....			No special session in 2011				
<b>Minnesota</b> .....	Jul. 19, 2011	38	3 (k)	12	N.A.	0	1L
<b>Mississippi</b> .....	Sep. 2, 2011 (l)	3	39	1	28	0	1L
<b>Missouri</b> .....	Sep. 15–Oct. 25, 2011	21	1	2	0	0	22L
<b>Montana</b> .....			No special session in 2011				
<b>Nebraska (U)</b> .....	Nov. 11–Nov. 22, 2011	6	35	4	33	0	11C
<b>Nevada</b> .....			No special session in 2011				
<b>New Hampshire</b> .....			No special session in 2011				
<b>New Jersey</b> .....			No special session in 2011				
<b>New Mexico</b> .....	Sep. 6–Sep. 24, 2011	91	1	9	0	4	19C
<b>New York</b> .....	Dec. 7, 2011	4	4	4	4	0	1L
<b>North Carolina</b> .....			No special session in 2011				
<b>North Dakota</b> .....	Nov. 7–Nov. 11, 2011	7	3	6	3	0	4C
<b>Ohio</b> .....			No special session in 2011				
<b>Oklahoma</b> .....			No special session in 2011				
<b>Oregon</b> .....			No special session in 2011				
<b>Pennsylvania</b> .....			No special session in 2011				
<b>Rhode Island</b> .....			No special session in 2011				
<b>South Carolina</b> .....			No special session in 2011				
<b>South Dakota</b> .....	Oct. 24, 2011	2	0	2	0	0	1L
<b>Tennessee</b> .....			No special session in 2011				
<b>Texas</b> .....	May 31–Jun. 29, 2011	114	31	8	14	0	30C
<b>Utah</b> .....	Mar. 18, 2011 (m)	0	0	0	0	0	1L
	May 6–May 7, 2011 (n)	0	0	0	0	0	2L
<b>Vermont</b> .....			No special session in 2011				
<b>Virginia</b> .....	Feb. 26, 2011–Jan. 10, 2012	9	148	2	121	1	14L (o)
<b>Washington</b> .....	Apr. 26–May 25, 2011	1,713 (p)	62 (q)	50	4	0	
	Nov. 28–Dec. 14, 2011	1,749 (r)	62 (s)	50	4	0	17C
<b>West Virginia</b> .....	Aug. 1–Aug. 5, 2011	15	5	9	5	1	5C
	Aug. 18–Aug. 21, 2011	3	5	3	4	0	4C
	Nov. 13–Nov. 15, 2011	0	4	0	4	0	3C
	Dec. 11–Dec. 14, 2011	2	4	1	4	0	4C
<b>Wisconsin</b> .....	Jan. 4–Sep. 27, 2011	27	4	12	2	0	87L
	Sep. 29–Dec. 8, 2011	48	0	7	0	0	23L
<b>Wyoming</b> .....			No special session in 2011				

See footnotes at end of table.

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### BILL AND RESOLUTION INTRODUCTIONS AND ENACTMENTS: 2011 SPECIAL SESSIONS — Continued

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*Source:* The Council of State Governments' survey of state legislative agencies, April 2012.

\* 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:*

N.A. — Not available.

C — Calendar day.

L — Legislative day (in some states, called a session or workday; definition may vary slightly).

U — Unicameral legislature.

(a) Line item or partial vetoes: Washington—11; Wisconsin—1.

(b) Number of vetoes overridden: Utah—2.

(c) Topic of focus was proposed amendments to state-sponsored health care.

(d) Topics included the creation of the Arizona Commerce Authority and amendments to business and individual property tax laws.

(e) Topic of focus was employment security.

(f) This special session had only one introduced and passed memorial. Focused on the Independent Redistricting Commission and the removal of one member.

(g) Statistics are for the first half of the 2011–2012 First Extraordinary Session.

(h) Session days shown are for Assembly only. Senate session days: 74L.

(i) Adjournment date records calendar day adjournment.

(j) Senate dates only; House session was convened and adjourned on Oct. 26, 2011.

(k) House only.

(l) Session and all bill introductions were for bonds.

(m) Repealed H.B. 477 from the 2011 General Session.

(n) 2011 Veto Override Special Session.

(o) The 2011 Special Session 1 covered a period of 318 calendar days; the General Assembly actually met on 14 days throughout that period.

(p) Thirty bills were introduced the first time during this session, 1,683 bills were reintroduced during this session, which equals 1,713 bills in total introduced.

(q) Four resolutions were introduced the first time during this session, 58 were reintroduced during this session, which equals 62 resolutions in total introduced.

(r) Eighty-six bills were introduced the first time during this session, 1,663 bills were reintroduced during this session, which equals 1,749 bills in total introduced.

(s) Three resolutions were introduced the first time during this session, 58 were reintroduced during this session, which equals 61 resolutions in total introduced.