

**Table 3.22**  
**STAFF FOR LEGISLATIVE STANDING COMMITTEES**

State or other jurisdiction	Committee staff assistance				Source of staff services**							
	Senate		House/Assembly		Joint central agency (a)		Chamber agency (b)		Caucus or leadership		Committee or committee chair	
	Prof.	Cler.	Prof.	Cler.	Prof.	Cler.	Prof.	Cler.	Prof.	Cler.	Prof.	Cler.
Alabama.....	●	★	●	★	B	B	B	B	...	...	...	...
Alaska.....	★	★	★	★	B	B	...	...	...	...	B	B
Arizona.....	★	★	★	★	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
Arkansas.....	★	★	★	★	B	B	B	B	...	...	...	...
California.....	★	★	★	★	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
Colorado.....	★	...	★	...	B	...	B	B	B	B (c)	...	...
Connecticut.....	...	★	...	★	B	...	...	...	...	B	...	B
Delaware.....	●	★	●	★	B	...	B	...	B	...	...	B
Florida.....	★	★	★	★	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
Georgia.....	●	★	●	★	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	...
Hawaii.....	●	★	★	★	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
Idaho.....	...	★	...	★	B (d)	B (d)	...	...	...	B (e)	...	...
Illinois.....	★	★	★	★	...	...	B	B	B	B	...	...
Indiana.....	★	...	●	...	...	...	S	...	S	...	...	...
Iowa.....	★	...	★	...	B	...	(f)	B	B	B	...	...
Kansas.....	★	★	★	★	B	B (g)	B	B	B	B	B	B
Kentucky.....	★	★	★	★	B	B	...	...	B (h)	B (h)	...	...
Louisiana.....	★ (i)	★	★ (i)	★	B	B	B	B	B	B	B (j)	B (j)
Maine.....	★ (k)	★ (k)	★ (k)	★ (k)	B	B	B	B	B	B	...	B
Maryland.....	★ (l)	★ (l)	★ (l)	★ (l)	B	B	...	...	...	...	...	...
Massachusetts.....	★	★	★	★	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Michigan.....	★	★	★	★	B	...	...	H	B	...	...	S
Minnesota.....	★	★	★	★	...	...	B	S	B	S	B	B
Mississippi.....	●	★	●	★	...	...	B	B	...	...	B	B
Missouri.....	★	...	★	...	B	...	B	...	S	S	B	...
Montana.....	★	★	★	★	B	...	...	B	...	...	...	...
Nebraska.....	★	★	U	U	(m)	...	(m)	...	(m)	...	(m)	...
Nevada.....	★	★	★	★	B	...	...	B	...	...	...	...
New Hampshire.....	●	★	★	★	B	B	B	B	...	H	...	H
New Jersey.....	★	★	★	★	B	B	B	B	...	...	...	...
New Mexico.....	★	★	★	★	...	...	B	B	...	...	...	...
New York.....	★	★	★	★	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
North Carolina.....	★	★ (n)	★	★ (n)	B	...	...	...	...	...	...	B (n)
North Dakota.....	●	★	●	★	B	B	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ohio.....	★	★	★	★	B	...	...	...	B	...	B	B
Oklahoma.....	★	★	★	★	...	...	B	B	...	...	B	B
Oregon.....	★	★	★	★	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
Pennsylvania.....	★	★	★	★	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
Rhode Island.....	●	★	●	★	B	B	...	B	...	...	B	...
South Carolina.....	★	★	★	★	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
South Dakota.....	★	★	★	★	B	...	...	(l)	...	(l)	...	(l)
Tennessee.....	★	★	★	★	B	...	B	B	...	...	...	B
Texas.....	★	★	★	★	B	B	...	B	...	...	B	B
Utah.....	★	★ (r)	★	★ (r)	B	B	...	B	B (s)	B	...	...
Vermont.....	★	●	★	●	B	B	...	...	...	...	...	...
Virginia.....	★	★	★	★	B	...	B	B	...	...	(o)	(o)
Washington.....	★	★	★	★	...	...	B	B	B	B	B	B
West Virginia.....	★	★	★	★	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
Wisconsin.....	★	★	★	★	B	...	...	...	...	...	(p)	B
Wyoming.....	...	★	...	★	...	...	...	B	...	...	...	...
American Samoa.....	●	★	●	★	B	B	B	B	...	...	B	...
Guam.....	★	★	U	U	...	...	S	S	...	...	...	...
No. Mariana Islands...	★	★	★	★	B (q)	B (q)	B (q)	B (q)	B (q)	B (q)	B (q)	B (q)
Puerto Rico.....	★	★	★	★	B (q)	B (q)	B (q)	B (q)	B (q)	B (q)	B (q)	B (q)
U.S. Virgin Islands.....	★	★	U	U	S (q)	S (q)	S (q)	S (q)	S (q)	S (q)	S (q)	S (q)

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## STATE LEGISLATURES

### STAFF FOR LEGISLATIVE STANDING COMMITTEES—Continued

Source: The Council of State Governments' survey, January 2010  
\*\* — Multiple entries reflect a combination of organizations and location of services.

Key:

- ★ — All committees
- — Some committees
- ... — Services not provided
- B — Both chambers
- H — House
- S — Senate
- U — Unicameral

(a) Includes legislative council or service agency or central management agency.

(b) Includes chamber management agency, office of clerk or secretary and House or Senate research office.

(c) Senate—there is secretarial staff for both majority and minority offices for the Senate in the Capitol. Most of the clerical work is done by caucus staff.

House—the clerical and secretarial staff for the House is more centralized and is supervised by the Clerk of the House.

(d) Professional staff and clerical support is provided via the Legislative Services Office, a non-partisan office serving all members on a year round basis.

(e) Leadership in each party hire their respective support staff.

(f) The Senate secretary and House clerk maintain supervision of committee clerks.

(g) Senators and House chairpersons select their secretaries and notify the central administrative services agency; all administrative employee matters handled by the agency.

(h) Leadership employs partisan staff to provide professional and clerical services. However, all members, including leadership are also served by the centralized, non-partisan staff.

(i) House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees have Legislative Fiscal Office staff at their hearings.

(j) Staff are assigned to each committee but work under the direction of the chair.

(k) Standing committees are joint House and Senate committees.

(l) The clerical support comes from employees who are hired to work only during the legislative sessions. They are employees of either the House or the Senate, and are not part of the central agency.

(m) Professional services are not provided, except that the staff of the Legislative Fiscal Office serves the Appropriations Committee. Individual senators are responsible for the process of hiring their own staff.

(n) Member's personal secretary serves as a clerk to the committee or subcommittee that the member chairs.

(o) The House Appropriations Committee and the Senate Finance Committees have their own staff. The staff members work under the direction of the chair.

(p) Standing committees are staffed by subject specialist from the Joint Legislative Council.

(q) In general, the legislative service agency provides legal and staff assistance for legislative meetings and provides associated materials. Individual legislators hire personal or committee staff as their budgets provide and at their own discretion.

(r) Clerical staff not assigned to Rules Cmtes.

(s) Refers only to Chief Deputy of the Senate and Chief of Staff in the House.