Legislative Deadlines

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The Texas Legislature meets in regular session for 140 days every other year.

To keep the legislative process moving smoothly, the House and Senate rules include a series of deadlines.

Friday, March 11 is the 60th calendar day of the session. This is the deadline for free introduction of bills and joint resolutions, other than local bills, emergency appropriations, and bills that have been declared an emergency by the governor.

May includes so many dates of interest that the Texas Legislative Council has prepared a calendar showing deadlines for action under the House and Senate Rules.

Other significant dates can be found on the Legislative Council's Dates of Interest page.