

February 16, 2007

2007 Legislative Deadlines¹

| Date | Legislative Day | |
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| December 4-6, 2006 (Mon.-Wed.) | | Organizational session ² |
| December 7 (Thurs.) | | Deadline for executive agencies and Supreme Court to file bills with the Legislative Council |
| January 3 (Wed.) | 1st | Session begins ² |
| January 8 (Mon.) | 4th | No more than five bills may be introduced by each representative after this date |
| January 15 (Mon.) | 9th | Martin Luther King Day ³ . Deadline for representatives to introduce bills. No more than three bills may be introduced by each senator after this date. |
| January 22 (Mon.) | 14th | Deadline for senators to introduce bills |
| January 26 (Fri.) | 18th | Deadline for introducing resolutions except amendments to the Constitution of North Dakota and study resolutions |
| February 2 (Fri.) | 23rd | Deadline for rereferrals of bills in house of origin to Appropriations Committees |
| February 14 (Wed.) | 31st | Bills and resolutions except constitutional amendments and study resolutions must be reported out of committee in house of origin. Deadline for introducing amendments to the Constitution of North Dakota and study resolutions. |
| February 19 (Mon.) | | George Washington's Birthday ³ |
| February 16, 19-20 (Fri., Mon.-Tues.) | | Recess |
| February 21 (Wed.) | 33rd | Crossover date for bills ⁴ |
| February 27 (Tues.) | 37th | Study resolutions and proposed constitutional amendments must be reported out of committee |
| March 2 (Fri.) | 40th | Crossover date for resolutions |
| March 13 (Tues.) | 47th | Deadline for rereferrals of bills in second house to Appropriations Committees |
| March 23 (Fri.) | 55th | Bills and resolutions must be reported out of committee in second house |
| April 6 (Fri.) | 65th | Good Friday ³ |
| April 23 (Mon.) | 76th | The 2005 Legislative Assembly adjourned on the 76th legislative day (Saturday, April 23, 2005) |
| April 27 (Fri.) | 80th | Session limited to 80 legislative days ⁵ |

¹Based on rules of the 60th Legislative Assembly adopted on December 6, 2006.

²Article IV, Section 7, Constitution of North Dakota. North Dakota Century Code Sections 54-03-02 and 54-03.1-02. On June 22, 2005, the Legislative Council selected Wednesday, January 3, 2007, as the date of convening of the regular session.

³In 1999, 2001, 2003, and 2005 the House and Senate were in session on Martin Luther King Day and on Good Friday. In 1999, 2001, and 2003 the House and Senate were in session on George Washington's Birthday.

⁴The House and Senate made crossover on the 32nd legislative day, Thursday, February 15.

⁵Article IV, Section 7, of the Constitution of North Dakota limits regular sessions to 80 natural days during a biennium and defines a "natural day" as a period of 24 consecutive hours. House and Senate Rules 104 provide that a legislative day begins at 7:00 a.m., so each legislative day ends at 7:00 a.m. the following day.