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2013 Legislative Deadlines[1]

Date	Legislative Day	
December 3-5, 2012 (Monday through Wednesday)		Organizational session[2]
December 6 (Thursday)		Deadline for executive agencies and Supreme Court to file bills with the Legislative Council
January 8 (Tuesday)	1st	Session begins[2]
January 14 (Monday)	5th	No more than five bills may be introduced by each representative after this date
January 21 (Monday)	10th	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 28 (Monday)	15th	Deadline for senators to introduce bills[1]
January 31 (Thursday)	18th	Deadline for introducing resolutions except amendments to the Constitution of North Dakota and study resolutions
February 11 (Monday)	25th	Deadline for rereferrals of bills in house of origin to Appropriations Committees
February 18 (Monday)		George Washington's Birthday[3]
February 26 (Tuesday)	36th	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 28 (Thursday)	38th	Crossover date for bills[1,4]
March 1 (Friday), March 4-5 (Monday and Tuesday)		Recess
March 11 (Monday)	42nd	Study resolutions and proposed constitutional amendments must be reported out of committee
March 14 (Thursday)	45th	Crossover date for resolutions
March 29 (Friday)	56th	Good Friday[3]
April 1 (Monday)	57th	Deadline for rereferrals of bills in second house to Appropriations Committees
April 11 (Thursday)	65th	Bills and resolutions must be reported out of committee in second house
April 15 (Monday)		Recess - Storm related
May 3 (Friday)	80th	Session limited to 80 legislative days[5]

[1]Based on rules of the 63rd Legislative Assembly adopted on December 5, 2012.

[2]Article IV, Section 7, Constitution of North Dakota. North Dakota Century Code Sections 54-03-02 and 54-03.1-02.

[3]In 2011 the House and Senate were in session on Martin Luther King Day, George Washington's Birthday, and Good Friday.

[4]In 2013 the House and Senate made crossover on the 38th legislative day, Thursday, February 28, rather than on the 39th legislative day.

[5]Article 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.