2017 Legislative Deadlines[1]

Date	Legislative Day	
December 5-7, 2016 (Monday through Wednesday)		Organizational session[2]
December 8 (Thursday)		Deadline for executive agencies and Supreme Court to file bills with the Legislative Council
January 3 (Tuesday)	1st	Session begins[2] (State of the State Address)
January 4 (Wednesday)		No floor session - Committees meet
January 5 (Thursday)		No floor session - Committees meet
January 9 (Monday)	3rd	No more than five bills may be introduced by each Representative after this date
January 16 (Monday)	8th	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. A Senate bill containing an appropriation clause may not be introduced after this date.
January 23 (Monday)	13th	Deadline for Senators to introduce bills
January 26 (Thursday)	16th	Deadline for introducing resolutions except amendments to the Constitution of North Dakota and study resolutions
February 6 (Monday)	23rd	Deadline for rereferrals of bills in house of origin to Appropriations Committees
February 20 (Monday)		George Washington's Birthday[3]
February 21 (Tuesday)	34th	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 23 (Thursday)	36th	Crossover date for bills[4]
February 24 (Friday), February 27-28 (Monday and Tuesday)		Recess
March 1 (Wednesday)	37th	Reconvene from crossover break
March 6 (Monday)	40th	Study resolutions and proposed constitutional amendments must be reported out of committee
March 9 (Thursday)	43rd	Crossover date for resolutions
March 27 (Monday)	55th	Deadline for rereferrals of bills in second house to Appropriations Committees
April 6 (Thursday)	63rd	Bills and resolutions must be reported out of committee in second house
April 11 (Tuesday)		No floor session - Conference committees meet
April 14 (Friday)	68th	Good Friday[3]
May 2 (Tuesday)	80th	Session limited to 80 legislative days[5]

[1]Based on rules of the 65th Legislative Assembly adopted on December 7, 2016.

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

[3]In 2015 and 2017 the House and Senate were in session on Martin Luther King Day and George Washington's Birthday. In 2015 the House and Senate were not in session on Good Friday.

[4]In 2017 the House and Senate made crossover on the 36th legislative day, Thursday, February 23.

[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.