

82nd Legislative Session Dates

Tuesday, November 2, 2010	General Election
Monday, November 9, 2010	Pre-filing of legislation for 82 nd Legislature begins
Tuesday, January 11, 2011	82 nd Legislature convenes, noon
<i>Monday, May 2, 2011</i>	<i>TAAD Midsession Legislative Update</i>
Friday, March 11, 2011	82 nd Legislature/60 th day (deadline for filing bills and joint resolutions other than local bills, emergency appropriations, and bills that have been declared an emergency by the governor)
Monday, May 30, 2011	Last day of 82 nd Regular Session/140 th day (corrections only in House and Senate)
Sunday, June 19, 2011	20 th day after adjournment/Last day for governor to sign or veto legislation passed by 82 nd Legislature
<i>Mon-Tues, August 15-16, 2011</i>	<i>TAAD Legislative Update</i>
Monday, August 29, 2011	91 st day following final adjournment (date that bills without specific effective dates that could not be effective immediately become law)

In accordance with the Texas Constitution, the legislature meets in a regular legislative session in Austin every two years. By statute, the legislature convenes in a regular session on the second Tuesday in January of every odd-numbered year. These biennial sessions are limited to 140 days' duration. The constitution also allows the governor to call additional special sessions as necessary. During a called session, which cannot exceed 30 days, the legislature may consider legislation only on matters specified in proclamations issued by the governor.