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## HIGHLIGHTS OF LEGISLATIVE PROCESS DATA

### ***Committees Since 1983***

- The number of General Assembly committees considering bills, resolutions and nominations has increased by five, from 19 to 24.
- For the committees that have existed since 1983, jurisdictions have remained mostly unchanged.
- Two joint standing committees were created: Commerce in 1991 and Higher Education in 2003. These new standing committees led to changes in the jurisdictions of the P&D and Education committees, respectively.
- The select committees were established in 1987. The number of select committees in each session has fluctuated from 1 to 4.
- There was no adjustment in standing committee jurisdictions to reflect the select committees' role.
- Starting in 1985, the Program Review Committee was allowed to report its bills directly to the floor rather than through standing committees.

### ***Public Hearings – 2003 and 2004***

- In the 2003 regular session, committees (excluding Executive Nominations) held 126 public hearings that invited public testimony. The total for 2004 was 87.
- The majority of these hearings were held within a relatively compressed time period. In 2003, on the single busiest day, there were eight hearings. In 2004, there was one day with eight hearings and three days with seven hearings each.
- The number of items listed for each hearing varies widely. In 2004, the range was one to 122. In 2003, lists ranged from one to 93.

### ***JF Deadlines - 1983 - 2004***

- JF deadlines have become more compressed. Each committee used to have a different deadline. But in 2004, five committees had March 4 as their JF deadline and three had March 9.

### ***Committee Workload – 1983 - 2004***

- Comparing 2003 and 1983 there has been a 30% drop in the number of bills and a 30% increase in the number committees handling those bills.

- In 1983, two committees, Judiciary and Transportation, handled many more bills than any other committees. In 2003, the majority of the bills were distributed relatively evenly among six committees.
- Except for Legislative Management, no committee had fewer than 100 bills in 1983. In 2003, eight committees had fewer than 100 bills. (These totals include all types of bills and resolutions, but do not include any nominations. We could provide numbers that distinguish among proposed, committee, and raised bills if you would like.)

#### ***Proposed and Committee Bills – 1981 - 2004***

- The number of proposed bills had declined over the past 20 years. Since 1981, in long sessions, there had been a 35% reduction from the highest year to 2003. For short sessions, the drop is 44%.
- Committee bills, which are based on proposed bills, are a much smaller proportion of the fully drafted bills, especially recent short sessions.

#### ***Emergency Certified Bills – 1991-2004***

- Since 1991, 248 bills and 112 resolutions have been considered under emergency certification. You will find annual totals in the materials.

#### ***Referrals - 1985-2004***

- Since 1985, there has been a steady increase in the number of bills referred from the House and Senate floors to committees after committee JF deadlines.
- At the same time, favorable changes of reference from one committee to another have dropped dramatically since 1997.

#### ***House and Senate Sessions – 2003 - 2004***

- In 2003, of 31 regular and special House sessions, 8 adjourned at or after midnight. Of 26 regular and special Senate sessions, 6 ended after midnight.
- In 2004, 4 of 23 regular and special House sessions went past midnight. In the Senate, the number was 6 out of 22.

# **COMMITTEES**

## **CHANGES IN COMMITTEES AND COMMITTEE JURISDICTIONS 1983-2003**

### **MAJOR CHANGES SINCE 1983**

- Add two joint standing committees
- Establish the “select” committees to deal with particular subjects
- Increase the total number of General Assembly committees from 19 to 24
- Allow Program Review and Investigations Committee to report bills directly to the floor

Although the creation of the two new standing committees (Commerce and Higher Education) caused adjustments in the jurisdiction of two other standing committees (Planning and Development and Education), the other changes (i.e., the select committees and Program Review bill reporting) did not result in any change in other committee jurisdictions. This may be one reason why committee jurisdictions seem less well-defined than they used to be.

In fact, committee jurisdictions have remained quite constant since 1983. Most changes in committee jurisdiction (Joint Rule 3) simply reflect changes in executive branch organization over the past 20 years, rather than substantive shifts in committee oversight responsibilities.

### **STANDING COMMITTEES**

Since 1983, the General Assembly has established two additional standing committees, increasing the total number of such committees from 16 to 18.

The Commerce Committee was established in 1991. It was given jurisdiction over economic development, which had previously been under the Planning and Development Committee’s purview. The Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee was given the higher education jurisdiction previously assigned to the Education Committee. Its workforce development jurisdiction was previously assigned to a select committee (which was abolished) and to the Labor Committee.

Other changes in standing committee jurisdictions have been few and relatively small. The most notable changes include:

- Eliminating GAE’s jurisdiction over resolutions concerning state employee collective bargaining in favor of exclusive jurisdiction by Appropriations

- Assigning GAE jurisdiction over Indian compacts and the Freedom of Information and Ethics commissions
- Requiring all state property conveyances to be referred to GAE
- Limiting the Appropriations Committee's cognizance over other committees' bills requiring expenditure to their fiscal aspects only
- Requiring all bills with state mandates on local governments to be referred to Appropriations unless two-thirds of each house votes not to refer
- Giving Judiciary jurisdiction over other committees' favorably reported bills that have civil penalties exceeding \$5,000

Each committee's current jurisdiction is listed below (descriptions are taken verbatim from the 2003-04 Joint Rules) with substantive changes in jurisdiction since 1983 summarized.

### ***Appropriations***

All matters relating to appropriations and the operating budgets and all matters relating to state employees' salaries, benefits and retirement, teachers' retirement and veterans' pensions and collective bargaining agreements and arbitration awards for all state employees. In addition, any bills or resolutions carrying or requiring appropriations, or creating or enlarging a state mandate to local governments, defined in subsection (a)(2) of section 2-32b of the general statutes, and favorably reported by any other committee, except the payment of claims by the state, shall be referred to the committee, unless such reference is dispensed with by at least a two-thirds vote of each house, provided the committee's consideration shall be limited to their fiscal aspects and appropriation provisions of such bills or resolutions and shall not extend to their other substantive provisions or purpose, except to the extent that such other provisions or purpose relate to the fiscal aspects and appropriation provisions of such bills.

#### **1985:**

- Dispenses with reference to committee powers and duties prescribed by statute (§ 2-35)
- Limits the required referrals of other committee bills to those requiring or specifying appropriations rather than also requiring referral of all bills relating to state employees' salaries, pensions, benefits; teacher retirement; veterans' pensions; and state employee collective bargaining agreements
- Limits committee's consideration of other committees' bills to only fiscal provisions and related sections and not to their substantive provisions

### 1987

- Adds provision requiring all bills creating or enlarging a state mandate on local governments to be referred to Appropriations unless the requirement is overruled by a two-thirds vote of each house

### ***Banks***

All matters relating to banks, savings banks, bank and trust companies, savings and loan associations, credit unions, the supervision of the sale of securities, fraternal benefit societies and all legislation dealing with secured and unsecured lending.

### 1985:

- Changes from A to B committee
- Eliminates jurisdiction over “building societies”

### 1997:

- Changes jurisdiction from “state banks and trust companies” to “savings banks” and “bank and trust companies”

### ***Commerce***

All matters relating to the Department of Economic and Community Development, the Connecticut Development Authority and Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated.

### 1991:

- Committee establishes as “Commerce and Exportation Committee”
- Jurisdiction limited to Department of Economic Development

### 1993:

- Add jurisdiction over Connecticut Development Authority and Connecticut Innovations, Inc.
- Change committee name to Commerce

### ***Education***

All matters relating to the Department of Education; local and regional boards of education and the substantive law of collective bargaining covering teachers and professional employees of such boards; vocational rehabilitation; the Commission on the Arts; and libraries, museums, and historical and cultural associations.

1991:

- Eliminate jurisdiction over State Capitol Preservation and Restoration Commission

2003

- Eliminate jurisdiction over higher education

***Energy And Technology***

All matters relating to the Department of Public Utility Control, energy, telecommunications and information systems.

1987:

- Change from A to B committee

1995:

- Change name from Energy and Public Utilities

2001:

- Change jurisdiction from “energy planning activities” to “energy, telecommunications and information systems”

***Environment***

All matters relating to the Department of Environmental Protection, including conservation, recreation, pollution control, fisheries and game, state parks and forests, water resources and flood and erosion control; and all matters relating to the Department of Agriculture, including farming, dairy products and domestic animals.

1985:

- Change from A to B committee

1987:

- Change from B to A committee

***Finance, Revenue And Bonding***

All matters relating to finance, revenue, capital bonding and taxation, and all bills on such matters favorably reported by any other committee, including bills on employer contributions for unemployment compensation purposes, and all matters relating to the Department of Revenue Services and the revenue aspects of the Division of Special Revenue shall be referred to said committee. The committee's consideration shall be limited to the financial provisions of such bills, such as finance, revenue, bonding, taxation and fees, and shall not extend to their other substantive provisions or purposes, except to the extent that such other provisions or purpose relate to the financial provisions of such bills.

1985:

- Change from B to A committee
- Expressly require referral of other committees' favorably reported bills dealing with all matters relating to the Department of Revenue Services and the revenue aspects of the Division of Special Revenue

**General Law**

All matters relating to the Department of Consumer Protection, fair trade and sales practices, consumer protection, mobile homes and occupational licensing, except licensing by the Department of Public Health; and all matters dealing with alcoholic beverages.

1985:

- Change from A to B committee

1999:

- Explicitly exclude licensing of health professions from committee's jurisdiction

**Government Administration And Elections**

All matters relating to the Department of Administrative Services, including purchasing and central collections, but excluding personnel and labor relations; all matters relating to the Department of Public Works and the Department of Information Technology; all matters relating to state government organization and reorganization, structures and procedures; all matters relating to leasing, construction, maintenance, purchase and sale of state property and facilities and all bills authorizing the conveyance of real property, or any interest therein, by the state shall be referred to said committee; the Freedom of Information Commission and the Ethics Commission; state and federal relations; interstate compacts; compacts between the state and Indian tribes; constitutional amendments, including any proposed constitutional amendments favorably reported by any other committee, which proposed amendments shall be referred to said committee; and all matters relating to elections and election laws.

1985

- Change from B to A committee

1987

- Jurisdiction expanded to include Ethics and Freedom of Information commissions

1989

- Require all bills authorizing conveyance of state property to be referred to GAE

1991

- Eliminate requirement that state employee collective bargaining contracts be referred first to GAE

1997

- Expand jurisdiction to include compacts between the state and Indian tribes

1999

- Add jurisdiction over Department of Information Technology

***Higher Education And Employment Advancement***

All matters relating to public and independent colleges and universities, the Department of Higher Education including private occupational schools, the Board of Governors of Higher Education, post-secondary education and job training institutions and programs, apprenticeship training programs, adult job training programs offered to the public by any state agency or funded in whole or in part by the state, and the Office of Workforce Competitiveness.

- Note: Committee established in 2003.

***Human Services***

All matters relating to the Department of Social Services and the Department of Children and Families, including institutions under their jurisdiction; the office of Protection and Advocacy for Persons with Disabilities; the commission on the Deaf and the Hearing Impaired; and the Board of Education and Services for the Blind.

*Changes Since 1983:*

None

***Insurance And Real Estate***

All matters relating to insurance law and real estate law.

*Changes Since 1983*

None

## ***Judiciary***

All matters relating to courts, judicial procedures, criminal law, probate courts, probation, parole, wills, estates, adoption, divorce, bankruptcy, escheat, law libraries, deeds, mortgages, conveyancing, preservation of land records and other public documents, the law of business organizations, uniform laws, validations, authorizations to sue and to appeal, claims against the state, all judicial nominations, all nominations of workers' compensation commissioners, and all matters relating to the Judicial Department, the Department of Correction and to the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities; all bills carrying civil penalties which exceed the sum of, or which may exceed in the aggregate, five thousand dollars; and all bills carrying criminal penalties, other than infractions, favorably reported by any other committee shall be referred to said committee, provided the committee's consideration shall be limited to the criminal penalties established in such bills and shall not extend to their substantive provisions or purpose.

### **1985**

- Added workers' compensation commissioner nominations

### **1987**

- Added preservation of land records and other public documents

### **1995**

- Added all bills with civil penalties of more than \$5,000

## ***Labor And Public Employees***

All matters relating to workers' compensation, unemployment compensation, conditions of employment, hours of labor, minimum wages, industrial safety, occupational health and safety, labor unions and labor disputes; all matters relating to the Department of Labor; and all matters relating to conditions of employment of state and municipal employees and the substantive law of state and municipal employees' collective bargaining.

### **1985**

- Change from A to B committee

### **1993**

- Adds all matters relating to the Labor Department

## ***Planning And Development***

All matters relating to local governments, housing, urban renewal, fire, sewer and metropolitan districts, home rule and planning and zoning; regional planning and development activities and the state plan of conservation and

development, and economic development programs impacting local governments.

### 1991

- Restricts jurisdiction to economic development programs affecting local government instead of to all activities of economic development department.

### ***Public Health***

All programs and matters relating to the Department of Public Health, the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services and the Department of Mental Retardation; the commission on Hospitals and Health Care; the office of Health Care Access; and all other matters relating to health, including emergency medical services, all licensing boards within the Department of Public Health, nursing homes, pure foods and drugs, and controlled substances, including the treatment of substance abuse.

### 1991

- Specifies that jurisdiction over controlled substances abuse includes the treatment of substance abuse.

### ***Public Safety***

All matters relating to the Department of Public Safety, including state police, state organized task force on crime, municipal police training, fire marshals, the fire safety code and the state building code, civil preparedness, legalized gambling, and military and veterans' affairs, except veterans' pensions.

### Changes Since 1983

None

### ***Transportation***

All matters relating to transportation, including highways and bridges, navigation, aeronautics, mass transit and railroads; and to the Department of Transportation, the State Traffic Commission, and the Department of Motor Vehicles.

### 2003

- Gives committee jurisdiction over all matters relating to transportation instead of only over the Department of Transportation

## **STATUTORY COMMITTEES**

The main change with respect to the statutory committees since 1983 was to allow the Program Review Committee to draft and report bills concerning its investigations directly to the floor instead of requiring standing committees to report out bills relating to the investigations. The other major change was to require all bills requiring legislative task forces and studies to be referred to Legislative Management.

### ***Legislative Management***

Conduct the business affairs of the General Assembly. Responsible for the operation of the General Assembly, coordination and supervision of committee work, improvement of legislative operations and deciding on matters of organization, procedures, facilities and working conditions of the General Assembly and compensation of employees of the legislative branch. All bills and resolutions relating to such matters shall be referred to said committee. The committee shall also have cognizance of legislative task forces and studies and shall be responsible for the facilitation of positive relationships with the federal government and other state governments.

#### **1991**

- Adds responsibility for compensation of legislative branch employees
- Eliminates requirement that all bills referring to General Assembly employee compensation be referred to it
- Requires all bills relating to matters under its jurisdiction to be referred to it
- Creates a special subcommittee of Legislative Management to review the Thomas Commission recommendations and, no later than five days before each standing committee's raised bill deadline, refer to the standing committee in writing any recommendations the subcommittee deems necessary. Requires each standing committee to raise and hold a hearing on any bills needed to implement the recommendations referred to it.

#### **1993**

- Eliminates Thomas Commission subcommittee
- Adds responsibility for federal and other state relations

#### **1997**

- Adds cognizance over legislative studies and task forces

### ***Executive And Legislative Nominations***

All executive and legislative nominations requiring action of either or both houses, except judicial nominations and nominations of workers' compensation commissioners, shall be referred to this committee.

## Changes Since 1983

None

### ***Program Review And Investigations***

May originate and report any bill it deems necessary concerning a program, department or other matter under review or investigation by the committee, in the manner prescribed in these rules.

### **1985**

- First listed in rules
- Jurisdiction identical to current rule.

### **SELECT COMMITTEES**

Select committees were first established in 1987. Six select committees have been created and three have been discontinued since that time. The number of such committees operating in any session has ranged from one to four (see Table 1 below). Unlike standing and statutory committees, select committees cannot report bills directly to the floor. One of the committees, Housing, is restricted to reporting its bills to the Planning and Development Committee. The rest may report to any standing committee.

Creation of the select committees has not resulted in any changes in standing committee jurisdictions.

### **Current**

#### ***Housing - 1987- Present***

- Housing
- Must refer any favorably reported bills to the Planning and Development Committee.

#### ***Children - 1993 - Present***

- Children
- Must refer any favorably reported bills to the appropriate joint standing committee.

#### ***Aging - 1997 - Present***

- Senior citizens

- Must refer any favorably reported bills to the appropriate joint standing committee.

## **Past**

### ***Substance Abuse Prevention - 1987-1991***

- Prevention and treatment of the abuse of illegal and controlled substances
- Prevention of the sale and possession of illegal substances
- Must refer any favorably reported bills to the appropriate joint standing committee.

### ***Conditions in the Workplace Affecting the Family - 1987 -1991***

- Hazards in the workplace
- Comprehensive employment planning and support services for working parents
- Unemployed and underemployed
- Must refer any favorably reported bills to the appropriate joint standing committee.

### ***Workforce Development - 2001-2002***

- Workforce Development
- Must refer any favorably reported bills to the appropriate joint standing committee.

**Table 1: Select Committees By Session**

<b>Session</b>	<b>Select Committees</b>	<b>Number of Select Committees</b>
1987-88	Housing Substance Abuse Prevention Family & the Workplace	3
1989-90	Housing Substance Abuse Prevention Family & the Workplace	3
1991-92	Housing	1
1993-94	Housing Children	2
1995-96	Housing Children	2
1997-98	Housing Children Aging	3
1999-00	Housing Children Aging	3
2001-02	Housing Children Aging Workforce Development	4
2003-04	Housing Children Aging	3

# **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**TABLE 1A: PUBLIC HEARINGS - 2003 SESSION  
(By Committee)**

<b>Committee</b>	<b># Public Hearings</b>	<b># Bills Heard</b>
Aging	2	27
Appropriations	11	60
Banks	4	41
Children	3	43
Commerce	5	71
Education	4	36
Energy	5	42
Environment	10	99
Finance	2	36
General Law	5	57
GAE	8	155
Higher Education	2	23
Housing	4	30
Human Services	6	94
Insurance	5	50
Judiciary	17	317
Labor	7	83
Legislative Mgmt	0	0
P&D	6	94
Program Review	2	10
Public Health	7	114
Public Safety	3	50
Transportation	5	213
Multi-Committee	3	8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>1,753</b>

**TABLE 1B: PUBLIC HEARINGS - 2003 SESSION  
(By Date)**

**Session Starts: January 6  
Last JF Deadline: April 25**

<b>DATE/DAY</b>	<b>COMMITTEE</b>	<b># BILLS</b>
<b>1/22 - Wednesday (2 hearings)</b>	GAE	22
	Judiciary	nominations
<b>1/28 - Tuesday (1 hearing)</b>	General Law	10
<b>1/29 - Wednesday (1 hearing)</b>	Appropriations	2 (coll. barg.)
<b>2/3 - Monday (2 hearings)</b>	Judiciary	122 (121 claims)
	Transportation	23
<b>2/4 - Tuesday (2 hearings)</b>	Commerce	10
	Public Health	19
<b>2/5 - Wednesday (1 hearing)</b>	GAE	5
<b>2/6 - Thursday (4 hearings)</b>	Commerce	10
	Energy	1
	Human Services	5
	Public Safety	11
<b>2/7 - Friday (3 hearings)</b>	Environment	8
	Labor	15
	P&D	29
<b>2/10 - Monday (5 hearings)</b>	Environment	9
	Judiciary	24
	P&D	12
	Transportation	64
	Education/Judiciary	2 (settlements)
<b>2/11 - Tuesday (5 hearings)</b>	Children	15
	Commerce	9
	Human Services	15
	Insurance	9
	Labor	15 (reconvened from 2/7)
<b>2/13 - Thursday (2 hearings)</b>	General Law	13
	Public Safety	12
<b>2/14 - Friday (1 hearing)</b>	GAE	7
<b>2/18 - Tuesday (6 hearings)</b>	Banks	10
	Commerce	21

<b>DATE/DAY</b>	<b>COMMITTEE</b>	<b># BILLS</b>
	Energy	14
	Housing	16
	Labor	7
	Transportation	72
<b>2/20 - Thursday (2 hearings)</b>	Labor	20
	Public Health	12
<b>2/24 - Monday (3 hearings)</b>	Human Services	26
	Judiciary	3
	Transportation	51
<b>2/25 - Tuesday (6 hearings)</b>	Aging	14
	Banks	10
	Children	18
	General Law	7
	Housing	5
	Public Health	15
<b>2/26 - Wednesday (2 hearings)</b>	Environment	4
	P&D	36
<b>2/27 - Thursday (3 hearings)</b>	Commerce	21
	Energy	15
	Labor	7
<b>2/28 - Friday (3 hearings)</b>	Education	14
	Environment	12
	GAE	32
<b>3/3 - Monday (2 hearings)</b>	Judiciary	15
	Program Review	6
<b>3/4 - Tuesday (5 hearings)</b>	Aging	13
	Banks	20
	Energy	9
	Human Services	24
	Public Health	23
<b>3/5 - Wednesday (1 hearing)</b>	GAE	32
<b>3/6 - Thursday (2 hearings)</b>	Housing	5 (reconvened from 2/25)
		9
	Insurance	10
<b>3/7 - Friday (2 hearings)</b>	Appropriations	budget
	Education/Environment	2
<b>3/10 - Monday (4 hearings)</b>	Appropriations	budget
	Environment	23
	Judiciary	22
	Program Review	4
<b>3/11 - Tuesday (8 hearings)</b>	Appropriations	budget
	Children	10

<b>DATE/DAY</b>	<b>COMMITTEE</b>	<b># BILLS</b>
	Energy	3
	General Law	14
	Human Services	14
	Insurance	14
	Public Health	14
	Public Safety	27
<b>3/12 - Wednesday (3 hearings)</b>	Appropriations	budget
	Environment	1
	P&D	7
<b>3/13 - Thursday (3 hearings)</b>	Appropriations	budget
	Insurance	10
	Labor	21
<b>3/14 - Friday (5 hearings)</b>	Appropriations	budget
	Education	4
	Environment	9
	GAE	29
	Higher Education	13
<b>3/17 - Monday (2 hearings)</b>	Judiciary	19
	P&D	2
<b>3/18 - Tuesday (5 hearings)</b>	Finance	19
	Banks	1
	Higher Education	10
	Human Services	10
	Insurance	7
<b>3/20 - Thursday (2 hearings)</b>	General Law	13
	Public Health	15
<b>3/21 - Friday (1 hearing)</b>	GAE	27
<b>3/24 - Monday (2 hearings)</b>	Judiciary	8
	Transportation	3
<b>3/25 - Tuesday (2 hearings)</b>	Labor	13
	Public Health	16
<b>3/26 - Wednesday (1 hearing)</b>	P&D	8
<b>3/28 - Friday (3 hearings)</b>	Education	12
	Environment	9
	Judiciary	18
<b>3/31 - Monday (2 hearings)</b>	GAE	1
	Judiciary	26
<b>4/2 - Monday (1 hearing)</b>	Education	6
<b>4/3 - Thursday (2 hearings)</b>	Finance	17
	Appropriations/Judiciary	4
<b>4/4 - Friday (1 hearing)</b>	Judiciary	18

<b>DATE/DAY</b>	<b>COMMITTEE</b>	<b># BILLS</b>
<b>4/7 - Monday (1 hearing)</b>	Judiciary	7
<b>4/8 - Tuesday (1 hearing)</b>	Appropriations	11 (2 coll. barg.)
<b>4/10 - Thursday (1 hearing)</b>	Appropriations	1
<b>4/11 - Friday (1 hearing)</b>	Judiciary	13
<b>4/14 - Monday (1 hearing)</b>	Judiciary	22
<b>4/29 - Tuesday (1 hearing)</b>	Appropriations	42 (contingency reserve bills)
<b>4/30 - Wednesday (1 hearing)</b>	Judiciary	nominations
<b>5/20 - Tuesday (1 hearing)</b>	Judiciary	nominations
<b>5/21 - Wednesday (1 hearing)</b>	Appropriations	2 (coll. barg.)
<b>5/23 - Friday (1 hearing)</b>	Judiciary	nominations

**TABLE 2A: PUBLIC HEARINGS - 2004 SESSION  
(By Committee)**

<b>Committee</b>	<b># Public Hearings</b>	<b># Bills Heard</b>
Aging	3	30
Appropriations	8	72
Banks	2	23
Children	3	32
Commerce	5	44
Education	4	45
Energy	3	33
Environment	5	59
Finance	3	29
General Law	3	49
GAE	6	108
Higher Education	1	16
Housing	2	29
Human Services	3	38
Insurance	3	48
Judiciary	11	200
Labor	5	60
Legislative Mgmt	0	0
P&D	2	44
Program Review	3	10
Public Health	3	50
Public Safety	3	43
Transportation	3	27
Multi-Committee	3	14
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>1,103</b>

**TABLE 2B: PUBLIC HEARINGS - 2004 SESSION  
(By Date)**

**Session Starts: February 4  
Last JF Deadline: March 30**

<b>DATE/DAY</b>	<b>COMMITTEE</b>	<b># BILLS</b>
<b>2/9 - Wednesday (2 hearings)</b>	Judiciary	Judicial noms.
	Transportation	5
<b>2/10 - Tuesday (1 hearing)</b>	Aging	23
<b>2/11 - Wednesday (1 hearing)</b>	Appropriations	1 (budget)
<b>2/13 - Friday (1 hearing)</b>	Judiciary	Judicial noms.
<b>2/17 - Tuesday (7 hearings)</b>	Appropriations	1 (budget)
	Commerce	6
	Energy	8
	Housing	9
	Labor	19
	Public Safety	16
<b>2/18 - Wednesday (5 hearings)</b>	Education	3
	Environment	8
	Judiciary/ Appropriations	2
	Judiciary	Judicial noms
	P&D	9
	Transportation	5
<b>2/19 - Thursday (6 hearings)</b>	Program Review	3
	Appropriations	12 (collective bargaining)
	Banks	6
	Commerce/Housing/Aging	10
	General Law	12
	Insurance	23
<b>2/23 - Monday (3 hearings)</b>	Finance	2
	GAE	17
	Transportation	4
<b>2/24 - Tuesday (8 hearings)</b>	Aging	6
	Aging	1
	Children	18
	Housing	20
	Labor	20
	Health	10

<b>DATE/DAY</b>	<b>COMMITTEE</b>	<b># BILLS</b>
	Energy	18
	Human Services	13
<b>2/25 - Wednesday (2 hearings)</b>	Judiciary	19
	Program Review	3
<b>2/26 - Thursday (5 hearings)</b>	Banks	17
	Children	13
	Commerce	6
	Energy	7
	Public Safety	16
<b>2/27 - Friday (4 hearings)</b>	Education	15
	GAE	15
	Judiciary	5
	Program Review	4
<b>3/1 - Monday (7 hearings)</b>	Judiciary	18
	Education	3
	Environment	12
	Finance	13
	GAE	15
	P&D	35
	Transportation	13
<b>3/2 - Tuesday (7 hearings)</b>	Labor	1
	Children	1
	Commerce	13
	General Law	20
	Higher Education	16
	Insurance	23
	Public Safety	11
<b>3/4 - Thursday (7 hearings)</b>	Commerce	9
	General Law	17
	Human Services	9
	Insurance	2
	Labor/Commerce	2
	Labor	19
	Health	17
<b>3/5 - Friday (4 hearings)</b>	Education	24
	Environment	11
	GAE	18
	Judiciary	93 (72 claims)
<b>3/8 - Monday (4 hearings)</b>	Appropriations	8
	Environment	16
	Judiciary	24
<b>3/9 - Tuesday (3 hearings)</b>	GAE	21
	Human Services	16

DATE/DAY	COMMITTEE	# BILLS
	Labor	1
3/10 - Wednesday (1 hearing)	Judiciary	8
3/11 - Tuesday (1 hearing)	Public Health	23
3/12 - Friday (3 hearings)	Environment	12
	GAE	5
	Judiciary	6
3/15 - Monday (2 hearings)	Finance	14
	Judiciary	15
3/16 - Tuesday	Appropriations	9
3/17 Wednesday (2 hearings)	Judiciary	12
	Appropriations	1
3/25 - Thursday (1 hearing)	Appropriations	40 (contingency reserve bills)
4/13 - Tuesday (1 hearing)	Judiciary	1 settlement 1 judicial nom.
4/26 - Monday (1 hearing)	Judiciary	Judicial noms.

# **JF DEADLINES**

**Committee JF Deadlines  
1983-1994**

	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994
Appropriations	May 6	Apr 11	May 8	Apr 14	May 4	Apr 11	May 2	Apr 6	May 6	Apr 6	May 3	Apr 4
Banks	Mar 23	Mar 12	Apr 11	Mar 27	Mar 19	Mar 10	Mar 21	Mar 13	Mar 26	Mar 12	Mar 25	Mar 10
Children											Mar 25	Mar 10
Commerce							Mar 21	Mar 13	Apr 4	Mar 19	Apr 1	Mar 17
Education	Apr 20	Mar 28	Apr 19	Apr 2	Apr 13	Mar 28	Apr 7	Mar 26	Apr 12	Mar 27	Apr 12	Mar 25
Energy	Mar 22	Mar 9	Apr 5	Mar 21	Mar 17	Mar 8	Mar 21	Mar 13	Mar 26	Mar 12	Mar 25	Mar 10
Environment	Mar 31	Mar 16	Mar 28	Mar 13	Apr 10	Mar 25	Apr 3	Mar 21	Apr 15	Mar 27	Apr 12	Mar 25
Family & Workplace					Apr. 2	Mar 17	Mar 21	Mar 13				
Finance	May 5	Apr 10	May 6	Apr 11	Apr 29	Apr 11	Apr 25	Apr 2	May 2	Apr 3	Apr 30	Apr 4
GAE	Apr 13	Mar 23	Apr 12	Mar 31	Apr 15	Mar 30	Apr 10	Mar 26	Apr 19	Mar 27	Apr 12	Mar 25
General Law	Mar 29	Mar 14	Apr 4	Mar 20	Mar 24	Mar 10	Mar 30	Mar 20	Apr 2	Mar 17	Mar 30	Mar 15
Housing					Apr. 2	Mar 17	Mar 21	Mar 13	Mar 26	Mar 12	Mar 25	Mar 10
Human Services	Mar 24	Mar 13	Mar 29	Mar 14	Mar 24	Mar 10	Apr 4	Mar 22	Apr 11	Mar 24	Apr 8	Mar 22
Insurance	Apr 5	Mar 19	Mar 26	Mar 11	Mar 31	Mar 15	Mar 28	Mar 15	Apr 2	Mar 17	Mar 30	Mar 15
Judiciary	Apr	Mar	Apr	Apr	Apr	Apr	Apr	Mar	Apr	Mar	Apr	Mar

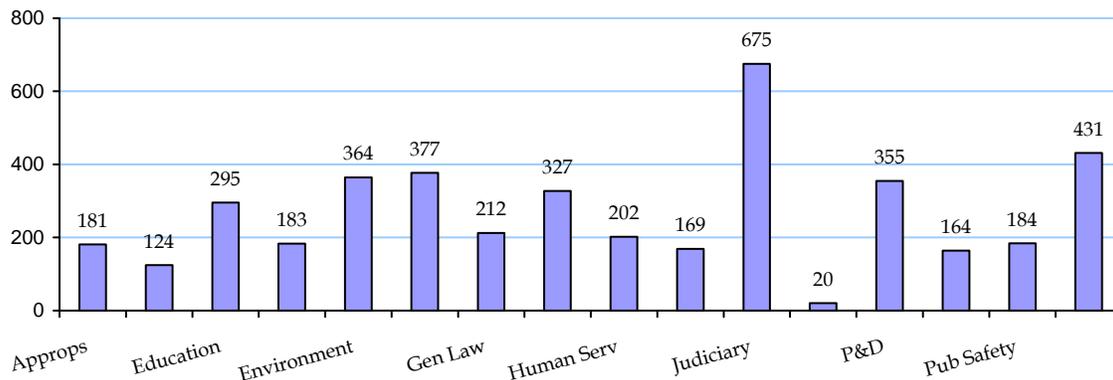
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Labor	Apr 14	Mar 26	Mar 27	Mar 12	Apr 9	Mar 24	Mar 28	Mar 15	Apr 4	Mar 19	Apr 1	Mar 17
Leg. Mgmt.	Apr 13	Mar 23	Apr 8	Mar 24	Mar 26	Mar 15	Mar 30	Mar 20	Apr 4	Mar 19	Apr 1	Mar 17
P&D	Apr 6	Mar 20	Apr 8	Mar 24	Apr 8	Mar 23	Apr 5	Mar 23	Apr 8	Mar 23	Apr 5	Mar 12
Program Review					Mar 18	Mar 9	Mar 22	Mar 14	Mar 27	Mar 13	Mar 26	Mar 11
Public Health	Apr 7	Mar 21	Apr 3	Mar 19	Apr 7	Mar 22	Mar 30	Mar 20	Apr 2	Mar 17	Apr 8	Mar 22
Public Safety	Mar 30	Mar 15	Apr 2	Mar 18	Mar 26	Mar 15	Mar 21	Mar 13	Mar 26	Mar 12	Mar 25	Mar 10
Sub. Abuse Prevention					Apr. 2	Mar 17	Mar 21	Mar 13				
Transportation	Apr 12	Mar 22	Apr 10	Mar 26	Apr 6	Mar 18	Mar 31	Mar 21	Apr 5	Mar 20	Apr 5	Mar 18

**Committee JF Deadlines  
1995-2004**

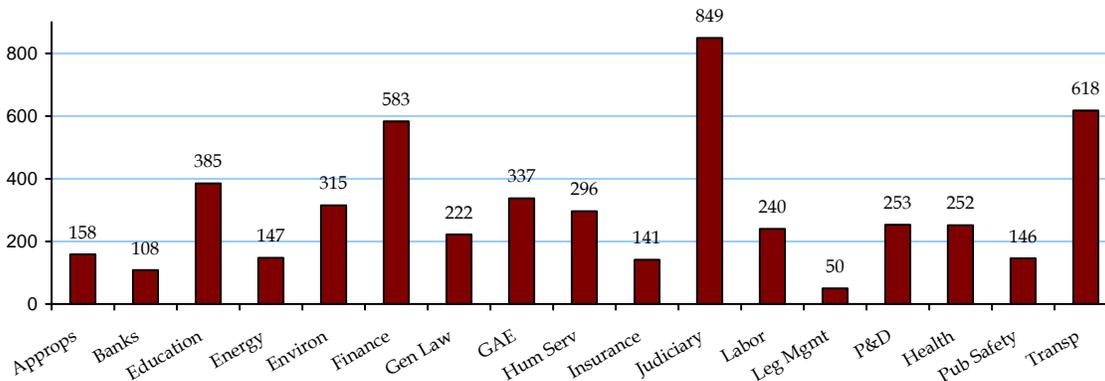
	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Aging			Mar 18	Mar 5	Mar 23	Mar 7	Mar 20	Mar 7	Mar 18	Mar 4
Appropriations	Apr 27	Apr 1	Apr 24	Mar 30	Apr 26	Mar 27	Apr 23	Apr 1	Apr 24	Mar 29
Banks	Mar 23	Mar 7	Mar 20	Mar 5	Mar 25	Mar 7	Mar 22	Mar 7	Mar 20	Mar 4
Children	Mar 23	Mar 7	Mar 18	Mar 5	Mar 23	Mar 7	Mar 20	Mar 7	Mar 18	Mar 4
Commerce	Mar 30	Mar 14	Mar 27	Mar 12	Mar 30	Mar 14	Mar 27	Mar 14	Mar 27	Mar 11
Education	Apr 10	Mar 22	Apr 11	Mar 20	Apr 12	Mar 17	Apr 11	Mar 22	Apr 11	Mar 19
Energy	Mar 23	Mar 7	Mar 25	Mar 10	Mar 25	Mar 7	Mar 22	Mar 12	Mar 25	Mar 9
Environment	Apr 7	Mar 20	Apr 4	Mar 16	Apr 9	Mar 15	Apr 6	Mar 18	Apr 4	Mar 17
Finance	May 1	Apr 1	Apr 25	Mar 30	Apr 27	Mar 28	Apr 24	Apr 2	Apr 25	Mar 30
GAE	Apr 10	Mar 22	Apr 7	Mar 20	Apr 12	Mar 17	Apr 9	Mar 20	Apr 7	Mar 17
General Law	Mar 28	Mar 12	Mar 25	Mar 10	Mar 30	Mar 9	Mar 27	Mar 12	Mar 25	Mar 9
Higher Ed.									Mar 25	Mar 9
Housing	Mar 23	Mar 7	Mar 18	Mar 5	Mar 23	Mar 7	Mar 20	Mar 7	Mar 18	Mar 4
Human Services	Apr 6	Mar 19	Apr 3	Mar 17	Apr 8	Mar 16	Apr 5	Mar 19	Apr 3	Mar 16
Insurance	Mar 28	Mar 12	Mar 27	Mar 12	Mar 30	Mar 9	Mar 27	Mar 14	Mar 27	Mar 11
Judiciary	Apr 21	Mar 25	Apr 18	Mar 23	Apr 19	Mar 20	Apr 18	Mar 25	Apr 16	Mar 22
Labor	Mar 30	Mar 14	Mar 25	Mar 10	Apr 6	Mar 9	Apr 3	Mar 12	Apr 3	Mar 16
Leg. Mgmt.	Mar 29	Mar 13	Mar 26	Mar 11	Mar 31	Mar 8	Mar 28	Mar 11	Mar 26	Mar 10
P&D	Apr 3	Mar 15	Apr 2	Mar 13	Apr 5	Mar 13	Apr 2	Mar 15	Apr 2	Mar 15
Program Review	Mar 24	Mar 8	Mar 24	Mar 6	Mar 26	Mar 8	Mar 23	Mar 8	Mar 24	Mar 5
Public Health	Apr 6	Mar 19	Apr 8	Mar 19	Apr 13	Mar 16	Apr 10	Mar 21	Apr 8	Mar 18
Public Safety	Mar 23	Mar 7	Mar 20	Mar 5	Mar 25	Mar 9	Mar 22	Mar 7	Mar 20	Mar 4
Transportation	Apr 3	Mar 15	Apr 2	Mar 13	Apr 5	Mar 13	Apr 4	Mar 13	Apr 2	Mar 10
Workforce Dev.							Mar 20	Mar 7		

# **COMMITTEE WORKLOAD**

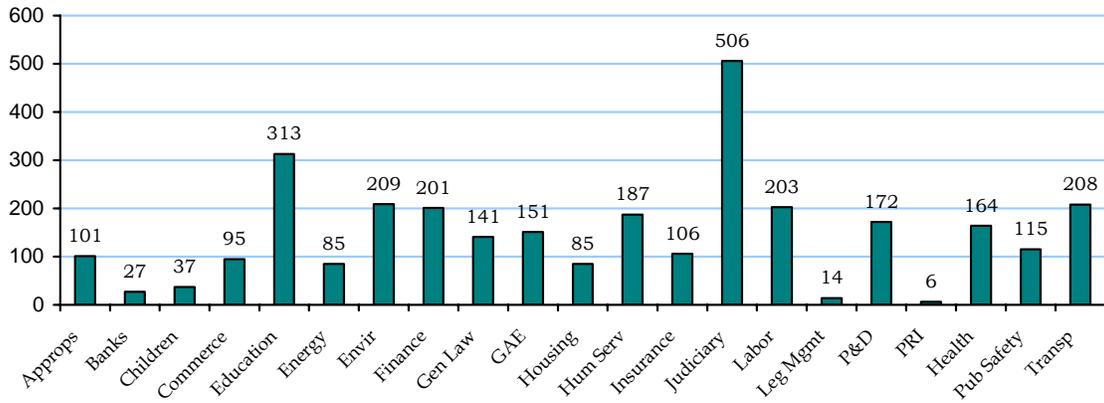
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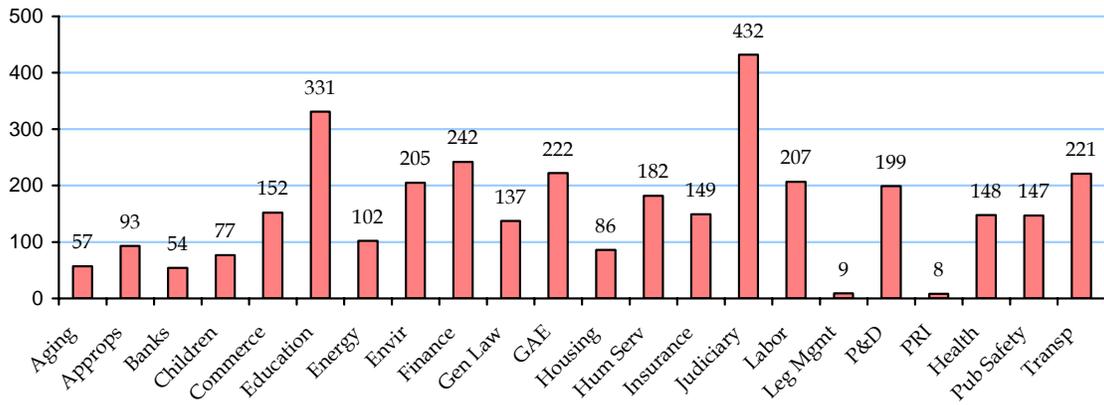
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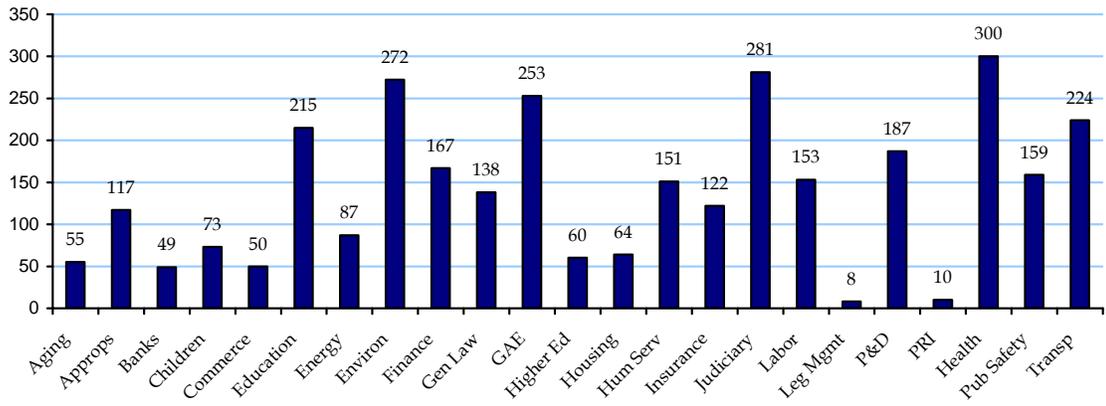
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**Bills By Committee - 1997**  
(Bill Total: 3,460)



**Bills By Committee - 2003**  
(Bill Total: 3,205)



## Regular Session Bills and Acts By Committee

### Table 1A: Long Sessions 1983-1995

(Note: JFs include JFs of referred bills)

	1983			1985			1991			1995		
	Bills	JFs	PAs									
Appropriations	181	127	18	158	222	17	137	159	4	101	122	9
Banks	124	40	34	108	36	23	51	25	15	27	24	12
Children										37	26	4
Commerce							63	20	9	95	37	11
Education	295	79	49	385	137	59	192	16	23	313	36	12
Energy	183	59	31	147	63	24	104	41	15	85	47	19
Environment	364	115	47	315	185	70	286	100	45	209	84	35
Finance	377	127	25	583	162	46	332	105	28	201	113	24
General Law	212	54	25	222	68	20	143	36	20	141	53	21
GAE	327	135	51	337	145	39	226	138	25	151	104	25
Housing							62	15	8	85	13	6
Human Services	202	63	28	296	108	29	165	58	23	187	60	20
Insurance	169	36	23	141	44	23	107	30	12	106	28	13
Judiciary	675	231	100	849	275	92	428	191	67	506	204	39
Labor	231	50	29	240	70	28	184	59	24	203	24	8
Legislative Mgmt	20	6	3	50	18	5	20	5	3	14	17	4
P&D	355	111	44	253	99	28	161	137	21	172	86	13
Program Review							6	5	2	6	6	1
Public Health	164	42	24	252	112	27	201	108	29	164	89	33
Public Safety	184	48	22	146	102	31	118	10	17	115	57	12
Transportation	431	112	34	618	122	47	303	47	16	208	76	18
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,494</b>	<b>1,435</b>	<b>587</b>	<b>5,100</b>	<b>1,878</b>	<b>613</b>	<b>3,289</b>	<b>1,305</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>3,126</b>	<b>1,306</b>	<b>360</b>

**Regular Session Bills and Acts By Committee**  
**Table 1B: Long Sessions 1987-2003**  
 (Note: JFs include JFs of referred bills)

	1997			1999			2001			2003		
	Bills	JFs	PAs									
Aging	57	26	1	88	46	7	95	38	1	55	18	3
Appropriations	93	136	6	98	150	4	118	205	2	117	121	1
Banks	54	33	18	50	24	12	30	22	9	49	24	12
Children	77	33	5	83	33	2	90	31	4	73	32	6
Commerce	152	58	4	93	41	4	145	53	5	50	21	4
Education	331	51	17	392	50	13	415	78	8	215	50	7
Energy	102	53	15	56	31	12	114	54	7	87	31	7
Environment	205	63	28	236	70	16	282	67	15	272	66	24
Finance	242	136	34	312	114	19	270	97	3	167	81	7
General Law	137	42	16	199	46	26	126	35	13	138	49	17
GAE	222	134	12	190	122	25	165	105	7	253	119	21
Higher Education										60	21	7
Housing	86	18	8	102	30	9	94	29	1	64	13	1
Human Services	182	77	6	145	88	7	190	112	7	151	92	10
Insurance	149	64	16	166	63	15	141	43	11	122	44	20
Judiciary	432	230	54	426	232	43	381	255	59	281	205	50
Labor	207	69	11	182	65	10	152	71	16	153	67	10
Legislative Mgmt	9	17	4	10	25	1	8	39	0	8	20	0
P&D	199	117	13	208	105	11	183	125	12	187	73	8
Program Review	8	8	2	10	10	5	14	13	0	10	9	6
Public Health	148	115	26	370	124	23	333	121	22	300	106	33
Public Safety	147	56	13	164	65	15	201	57	6	159	51	10
Transportation	221	44	13	238	38	10	245	45	7	224	31	9
Workforce							67	30	6			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,460</b>	<b>1,580</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>3,818</b>	<b>1,572</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>2,966</b>	<b>1,725</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>3,205</b>	<b>1,344</b>	<b>279</b>

**Regular Session Bills and Acts By Committee**  
**Table 2A: Short Sessions 1984-1994**  
 (Note: JFs include JFs of referred bills)

	1984			1986			1988			1994		
	<i>Bills</i>	<i>JFs</i>	<i>PAAs</i>									
Appropriations	92	145	16	79	152	15	68	119	6	71	104	3
Banks	48	30	24	31	25	18	30	21	18	22	25	9
Children										26	30	5
Commerce										72	41	9
Education	102	80	53	127	89	26	117	53	26	27	25	4
Energy	71	45	25	42	28	11	48	26	15	29	33	13
Environment	132	95	56	169	79	44	128	54	22	73	52	19
Family & Workplace							27	11	2			
Finance	238	111	40	255	128	45	271	204	27	191	102	15
General Law	73	48	23	54	41	16	30	16	10	40	25	12
GAE	127	113	32	93	94	20	94	75	32	57	93	21
Housing							44	20	13	37	26	12
Human Services	113	65	24	88	36	17	113	52	19	71	74	8
Insurance	47	29	21	43	31	17	52	30	11	10	20	7
Judiciary	230	236	92	228	209	65	192	151	62	184	20	50
Labor	73	50	23	56	37	20	72	55	20	55	179	6
Legislative Mgmt.	9	5	5	8	4	4	5	4	3	3	11	1
P&D	104	89	36	109	78	33	124	95	20	34	83	7
Program Review				7	7	3	8	5	4	10	10	1
Public Health	49	41	22	91	68	32	33	34	12	77	75	31
Public Safety	60	30	13	63	37	9	61	40	16	59	47	3
Sub Abuse Prevention							25	15	1			
Transportation	170	81	34	202	67	22	202	85	24	88	24	8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,738</b>	<b>1,292</b>	<b>549</b>	<b>1,745</b>	<b>1,210</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>1,751</b>	<b>1,165</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>1,210</b>	<b>1,119</b>	<b>247</b>

**Regular Session Bills and Acts By Committee**  
**Table 2B: Short Sessions 1998-2004**  
 (Note: JFs include JFs of referred bills)

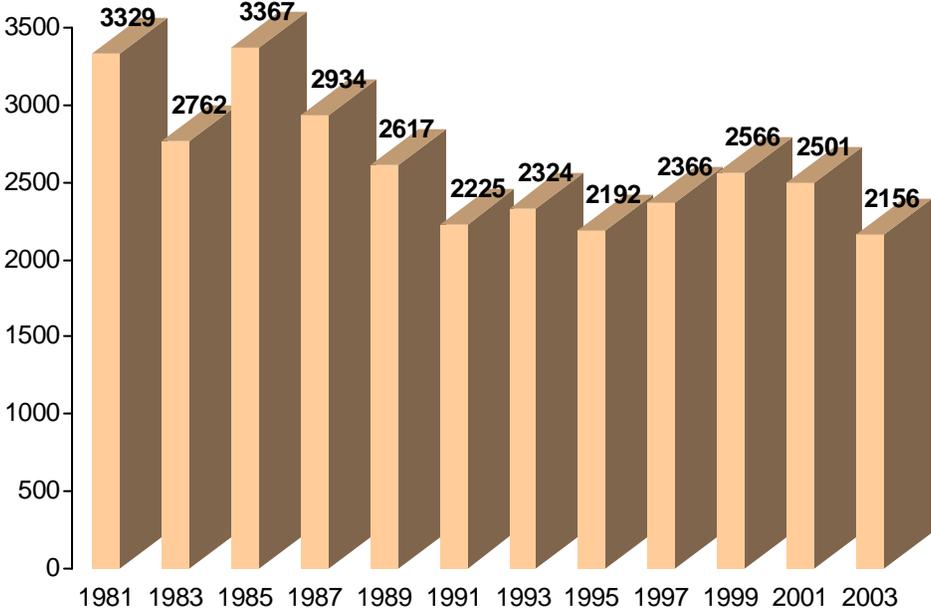
	1998			2000			2002			2004		
	<i>Bills</i>	<i>JFs</i>	<i>PAs</i>									
Aging	21	20	1	47	30	1	44	24	1	33	23	
Appropriations	63	126	13	69	177	6	88	136	5	67	141	
Banks	25	20	10	30	30	12	14	18	8	23	17	
Children	28	20	2	21	15	2	27	19	4	34	27	
Commerce	58	26	4	58	28	4	36	18	1	65	31	
Education	134	42	10	177	57	10	137	50	2	81	60	
Energy	25	28	8	31	27	10	60	41	8	34	31	
Environment	91	49	23	111	61	18	97	55	19	81	70	
Finance	160	83	16	174	100	15	134	81	8	120	98	
General Law	65	34	17	46	30	10	39	25	8	53	40	
GAE	67	96	13	50	79	14	67	85	6	117	111	
Higher Education										17	18	
Housing	28	16	2	30	20	4	48	8	3	35	21	
Human Services	69	55	7	95	75	7	67	64	1	83	77	
Insurance	42	36	19	53	39	15	34	22	9	49	37	
Judiciary	131	213	61	139	212	46	170	194	20	123	193	
Labor	62	52	7	75	46	5	62	56	6	66	64	
Legislative Mgmt	4	17	0	0	23	0	3	24	0	0	34	
P&D	45	81	7	64	90	10	70	93	6	55	72	
Program Review	10	10	3	14	10	2	10	10	1	11	9	
Public Health	95	70	20	94	82	20	118	114	18	58	79	
Public Safety	51	47	8	63	41	11	56	42	5	58	39	
Transportation	79	43	12	76	21	9	50	24	4	44	23	
Workforce Dev.							14	12	0			
<b>TOTAL</b>	1,353	1,184	264	1,517	1,293	231	1,445	1,215	143	1,346	1,315	

**PROPOSED &  
COMMITTEE BILLS**

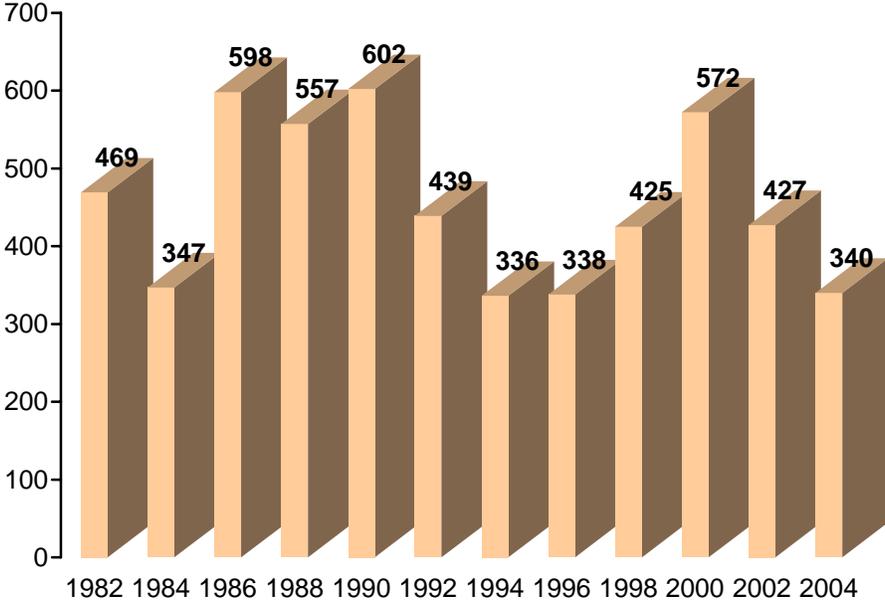
**PROPOSED BILLS**  
**1983 - 2004**

<b>Session</b>	<b>Session Start Date</b>	<b>Proposed Bill Deadline</b>	<b>Calendar Days</b>	<b>Proposed Bills</b>
1983	Jan 5	Jan 13	9	2,762
1984	Feb 8	Feb 10	3	347
1985	Jan 9	Jan 23	15	3,367
1986	Feb 5	Feb 14	10	598
1987	Jan 7	Jan 16	10	2,934
1988	Feb 3	Feb 8	6	558
1989	Jan 4	Jan 13	10	2,617
1990	Feb 7	Feb 9	3	602
1991	Jan 9	Jan 18	10	2,225
1992	Feb 5	Feb 10	6	439
1993	Jan 6	Jan 12	7	2,324
1994	Feb 9	Feb 11	3	336
1995	Jan 4	Jan 12	9	2,192
1996	Feb 7	Feb 9	3	338
1997	Jan 8	Jan 15	8	2,366
1998	Feb 4	Feb 6	3	425
1999	Jan 6	Jan 13	8	2,566
2000	Feb 9	Feb 10	2	572
2001	Jan 3	Jan 10	8	2,501
2002	Feb 6	Feb 8	3	427
2003	Jan 6	Jan 17	12	2,156
2004	Feb 4	Feb 6	3	340

**Proposed Bills  
Long Sessions - 1981-2003**



**Proposed Bills  
Short Sessions - 1982-2004**



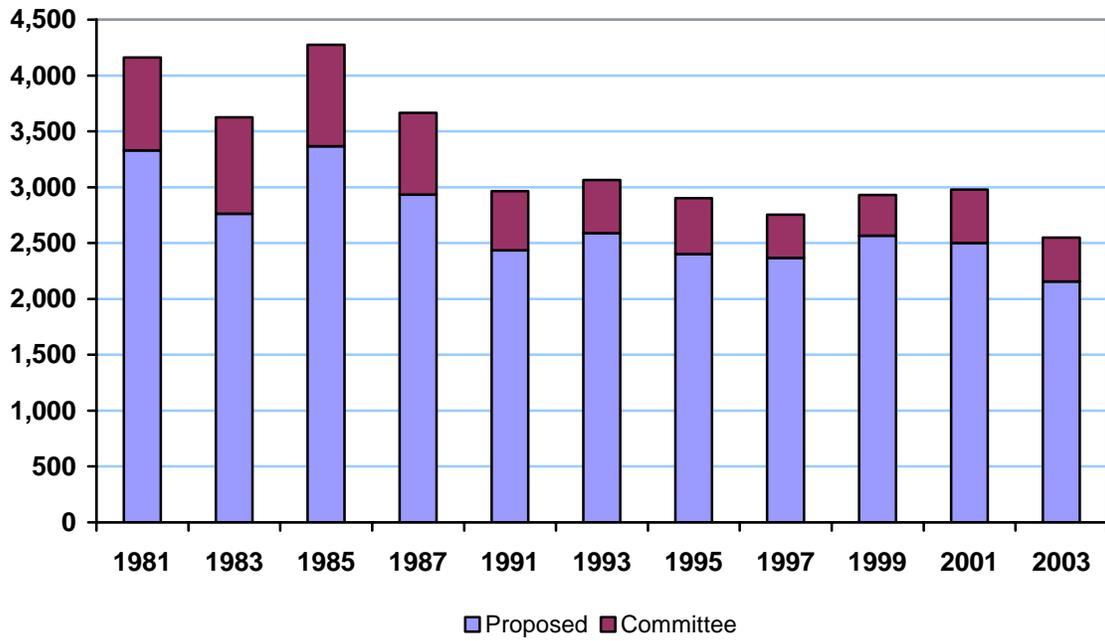
**Bill Types**  
**Long Sessions 1981-2003**

<b>Session</b>	<b>Proposed Bills</b>	<b>Committee Bills</b>	<b>Raised Bills</b>	<b>Committee Bills as % of Proposed Bills</b>	<b>Committee Bills as % of Raised Bills</b>
1981	3,329	833	682	25.02%	122.14%
1983	2,762	864	868	31.28%	99.54%
1985	3,367	907	826	26.94%	109.81%
1987	2,934	731	1,033	24.91%	70.76%
1991	2,434	530	855	21.77%	61.99%
1993	2,588	477	790	18.43%	60.38%
1995	2,407	501	764	20.81%	65.58%
1997	2,366	387	955	16.36%	40.52%
1999	2,566	364	888	14.19%	40.99%
2001	2,501	477	930	19.07%	51.29%
2003	2,156	392	746	18.18%	52.55%

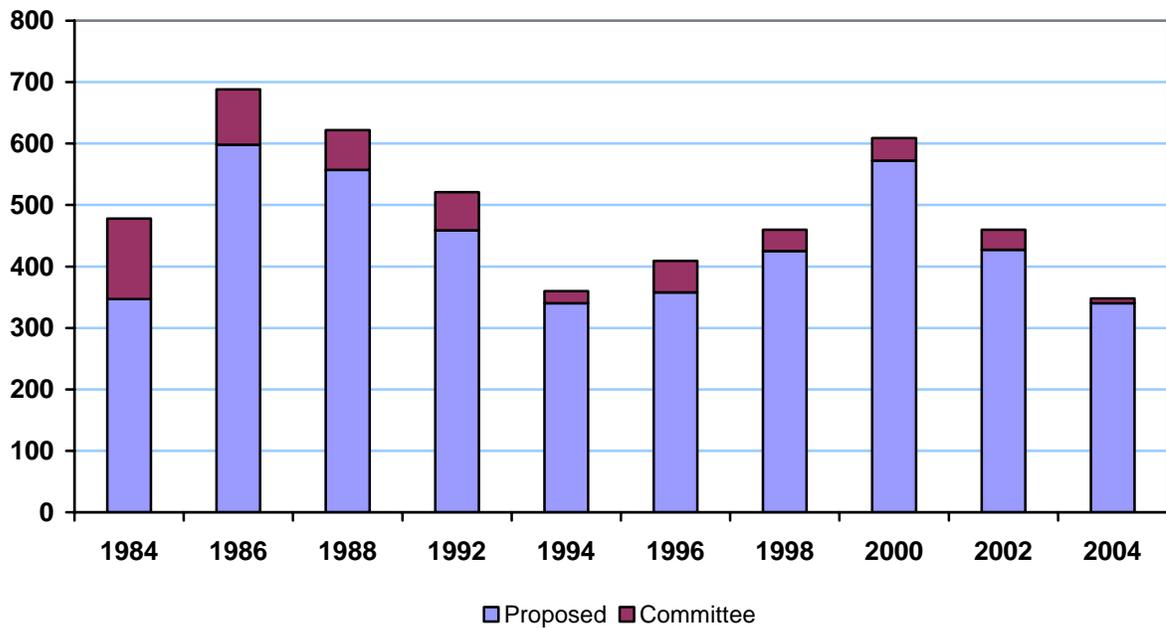
**Bill Types**  
**Short Sessions 1984-2004**

<b>Session</b>	<b>Proposed Bills</b>	<b>Committee Bills</b>	<b>Raised Bills</b>	<b>Committee Bills as % of Proposed Bills</b>	<b>Committee Bills as % of Raised Bills</b>
1984	347	131	1,275	37.75%	10.27%
1986	598	90	1,057	15.05%	8.51%
1988	557	65	1,129	11.67%	5.76%
1992	459	62	921	13.51%	6.73%
1994	340	20	896	5.88%	2.23%
1996	358	51	1,131	14.25%	4.51%
1998	425	35	893	8.24%	3.92%
2000	572	37	933	6.47%	3.97%
2002	427	33	987	7.73%	3.34%
2004	340	8	959	2.35%	0.83%

### Proposed and Committee Bills Long Sessions, 1981-2003

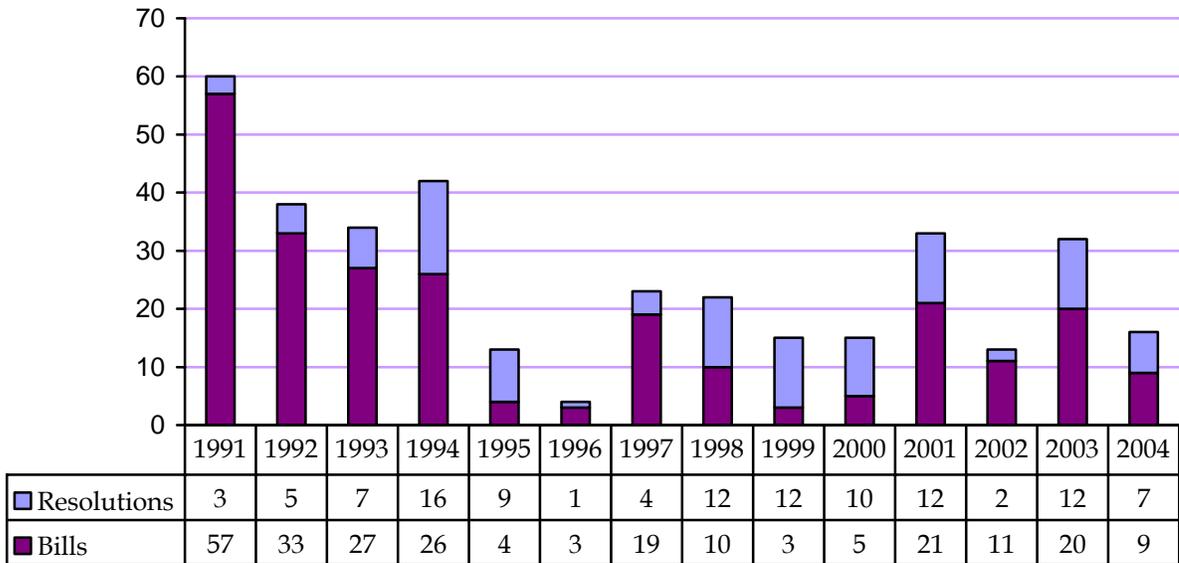


### Proposed and Committee Bills Short Sessions, 1984-2004



**EMERGENCY  
CERTIFIED BILLS**

## Emergency Certifications 1991-2004



Year	Bills	Resolutions	Total
1991	57	3	60
1992	33	5	38
1993	27	7	34
1994	26	16	42
1995	4	9	13
1996	3	1	4
1997	19	4	23
1998	10	12	22
1999	3	12	15
2000	5	10	15
2001	21	12	33
2002	11	2	13
2003	20	12	32
2004	9	7	16
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>360</b>

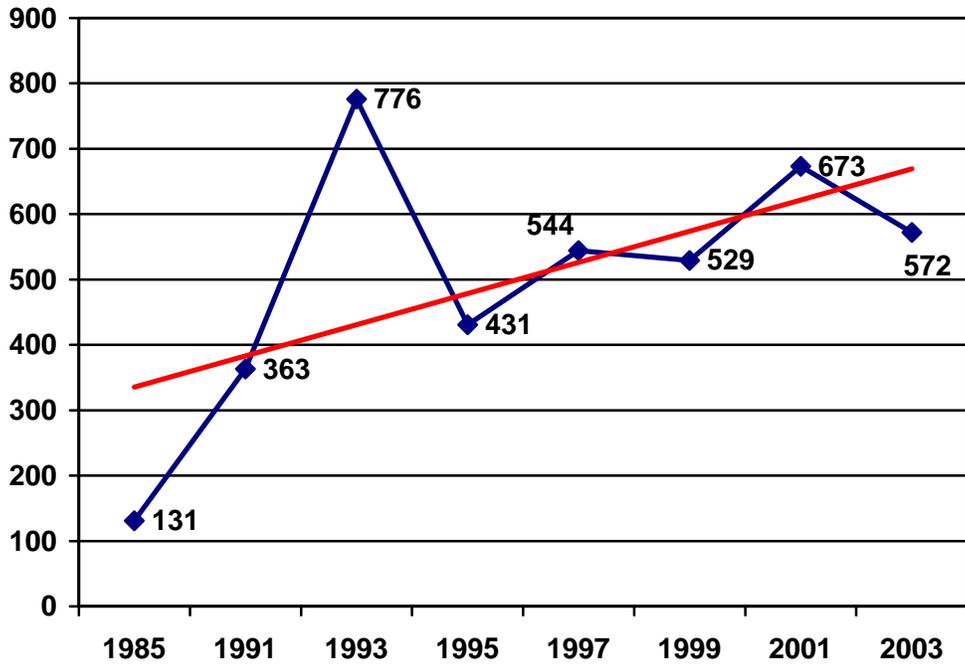
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Long Sessions 1981-2003  
(JF = Total Favorables)**

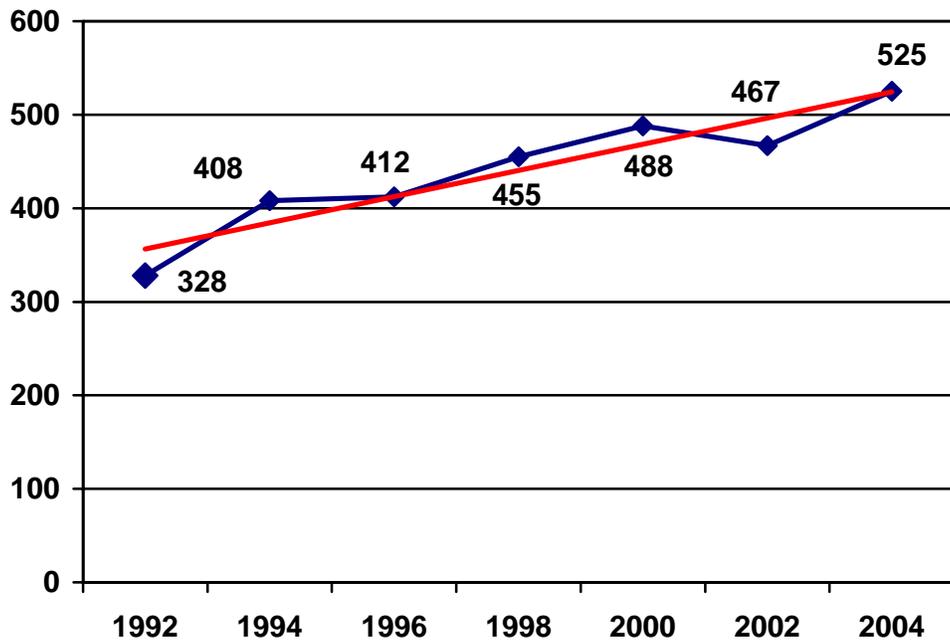
	1981		1983		1985		1991	
	JF	C/R	JF	C/R	JF	C/R	JF	C/R
Appropriations	104	0	127	4	219	3	159	2
Banks	31	5	40	2	32	4	25	13
Commerce							20	8
Education	55	30	79	26	92	45	16	8
Energy	34	11	59	24	45	18	41	14
Environment	63	32	115	61	114	71	100	43
Finance	98	0	127	8	154	8	105	6
General Law	26	5	54	26	51	17	36	7
GAE	61	4	135	47	117	28	138	31
Human Services	51	35	63	35	60	48	58	28
Insurance	46	7	36	12	35	9	30	5
Judiciary	182	32	231	34	246	29	191	21
Labor	45	21	50	18	50	20	59	27
Legislative Mgmt	3	2	6	4	10	8	5	4
P&D	83	28	111	39	68	31	137	28
Public Health	72	27	42	15	74	38	108	57
Public Safety	27	19	48	31	68	34	10	4
Transportation	46	30	112	61	84	38	47	18
<b>TOTAL</b>	1,027	288	1,435	447	1,519	449	1,295	324

	1995		1997		1999		2001		2003	
	JF	C/R	JF	C/R	JF	C/R	JF	C/R	JF	C/R
Appropriations	122	0	136	0	150	0	205	1	121	0
Banks	24	8	33	12	24	4	22	1	24	2
Commerce	37	32	58	34	41	25	53	23	21	7
Education	36		51	20	50	21	78		50	13
Energy	47	13	53	26	31	11	54	23	31	11
Environment	84	33	63	45	70	36	67	21	66	13
Finance	113	0	136	3	114	1	97	0	81	0
General Law	53	5	42	2	46	1	35	1	49	2
GAE	104	16	134	10	122	25	105	20	119	1
Higher Education									21	12
Human Services	60	34	77	35	88	65	112	57	92	12
Insurance	28	7	64	5	63	3	43	1	44	0
Judiciary	204	5	230	3	232	13	255	11	205	2
Labor	24	8	69	25	65	14	71	24	67	38
Legislative Mgmt	17	1	17	3	25	1	39	0	20	0
P&D	86	17	117	35	105	32	125	46	73	14
Public Health	89	42	115	37	124	39	121	32	106	15
Public Safety	57	19	56	22	65	30	57	17	51	18
Transportation	76	28	44	22	38	16	45	5	31	10
<b>TOTAL</b>	1,261	268	923	339	1,453	337	1,584	283	1,271	170

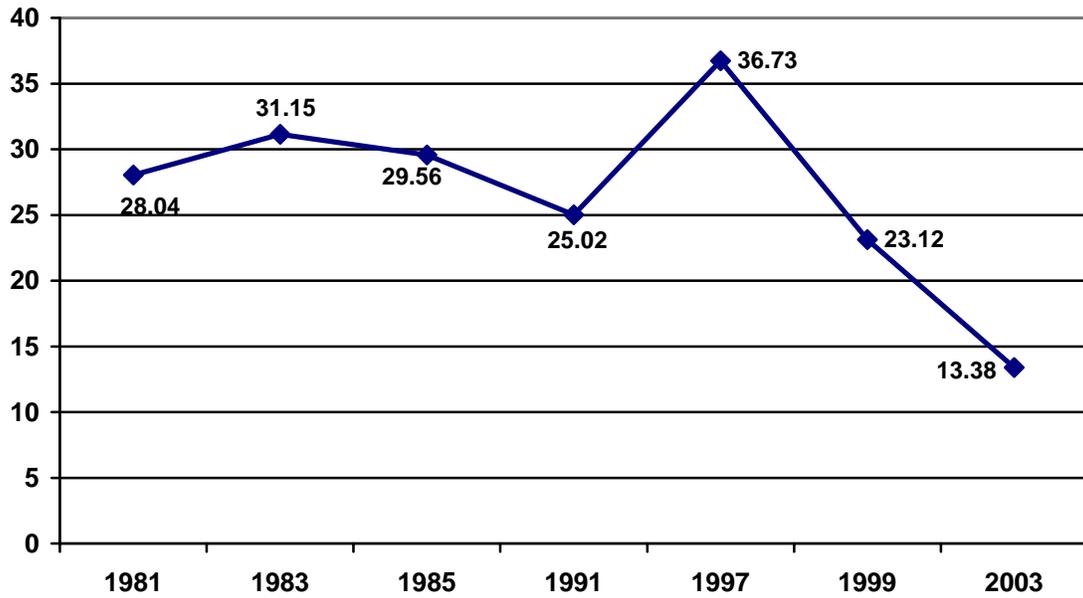
### Floor Referrals Long Sessions



### Floor Referrals Short Sessions



**Favorable Changes of Reference as a Percent of Total JFs  
Standing Committees, Long Sessions**



# **HOUSE & SENATE SESSIONS**

## HOUSE AND SENATE SESSION DAYS IN 2003 AND 2004

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You asked for dates and starting and ending times for all the days House and Senate was in session (excluding technical sessions) for 2003 and 2004.

**Table 1: Summary of 2003 and 2004 Sessions**

Chamber	2003		2004	
	No. of Sessions	No. of Sessions adjourned on or after midnight	No. of Sessions	No. of Sessions adjourned on or after midnight
House	27 Regular Session 4 Special Session	6 Regular Session 2 Special Session	18 Regular Session 5 Special Session	4 Regular Session 0 Special Session
Senate	20 Regular Session 6 Special Session	4 Regular Session 2 Special Session	17 Regular Session 5 Special Session	6 Regular Session 0 Special Session

The following four tables contain the details for each chamber in each year. The information was taken from the House and Senate Journals. We indicate which days were part of a special session.

**Table 2: House Session Days 2003**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Convened</i>	<i>Adjourned</i>	<i>Comments</i>
1/8/03	10:00 AM	4:42 PM	
2/4/03	4:00 PM	2:42 AM	
2/5/03	3:50 PM	11:31 PM	
2/13/03	4:33 PM	1:55 AM	
2/25/03	3:35 PM	9:45 AM	
3/4/03	2:16 PM	5:38 PM	
3/19/03	1:22 PM	6:12 PM	
4/9/03	1:45 PM	6:00 PM	
4/15/03	1:22 PM	6:19 PM	
4/23/03	1:12 PM	4:30 PM	
4/30/03	12:25 PM	7:15 PM	
5/7/03	12:45 PM	6:09 PM	
5/13/03	12:11 PM	4:07 PM	
5/14/03	11:56 AM	6:15 PM	
5/15/03	11:02 AM	3:26 PM	
5/20/03	12:34 PM	6:40 PM	
5/21/03	11:35 AM	7:22 PM	
5/22/03	12:21 PM	8:49 PM	
5/27/03	12:26 PM	9:54 PM	
5/28/03	11:35 AM	9:13 PM	
5/29/03	11:35 AM	10:05 PM	
5/30/03	12:43 PM	11:37 PM	
6/2/03	11:39 AM	4:19 AM	
6/3/03	11:24 AM	4:17 AM	
6/4/03	1:11 PM	12:00 AM	
6/30/03	12:55 PM	9:17 PM	
6/30/03	9:18 PM	10:52 PM	
7/30/03	11:39 AM	8:25 PM	Special Session
8/7/03	1:02 PM	1:45 AM	Special Session
8/16/03	3:30 PM	1:09 AM	Special Session
9/8/03	11:25 AM	1:30 PM	Special Session

**Table 3: Senate Session Days 2003**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Convened</i>	<i>Adjourned</i>	<i>Comments</i>
1/8/03	10:08 AM	4:50 PM	
2/5/03	2:14 PM	3:27 PM	
2/18/03	2:57 PM	7:01 PM	
3/26/03	2:56 PM	4:58 PM	
4/9/03	2:43 PM	5:29 PM	
4/15/03	1:17 PM	5:59 PM	
4/23/03	12:12 PM	6:39 PM	
4/30/03	12:19 PM	11:24 PM	
5/7/03	12:11 PM	9:29 PM	
5/14/03	12:36 PM	5:13 PM	
5/15/03	12:27 PM	10:23 PM	
5/20/03	12:35 PM	6:48 PM	
5/21/03	12:17 PM	7:00 PM	
5/22/03	12:10 PM	7:07 PM	
5/27/03	12:25 PM	6:47 PM	
5/28/03	1:30 PM	6:57 PM	
5/29/03	1:25 PM	3:50 AM	
6/2/03	12:43 PM	2:57 AM	
6/3/03	2:37 PM	6:37 AM	
6/4/03	6:17 PM	12:00 AM	
6/30/03	3:13 PM	10:11 PM	Special Session
6/30/03	10:13 PM	12:56 AM	Special Session
7/31/04	9:24 PM	10:08 PM	Special Session
7/8/03	2:19 PM	7:13 PM	Special Session
7/16/03	4:33 PM	12:57 AM	Special Session
9/8/03	11:52 AM	1:27 PM	Special Session

**Table 4: House Session Days 2004**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Convened</i>	<i>Adjourned</i>	<i>Comments</i>
1/26/04	1:24 PM	2:14 PM	Special Session
1/26/04	2:15 PM	2:57 PM	Special Session
3/3/04	12:40 PM	5:45 PM	
3/10/04	1:15 PM	3:55 PM	
3/24/04	1:15 PM	5:44 PM	
3/31/04	11:55 AM	4:35 PM	
4/7/04	12:22 PM	4:30 PM	
4/14/04	12:15 PM	6:22 PM	
4/15/04	12:19 PM	5:11 PM	
4/21/04	11:24 AM	7:06 PM	
4/22/04	11:41 AM	11:00 PM	
4/23/04	1:15 PM	6:30 PM	
4/26/04	12:23 PM	11:15 PM	
4/27/04	12:25 PM	10:00 PM	
4/28/04	12:16 PM	9:56 PM	
4/29/04	1:21 PM	4:14 AM	
4/30/04	3:18 PM	12:57 AM	
5/3/04	11:15 AM	8:33 PM	
5/4/04	11:16 AM	3:04 AM	
5/5/04	12:19 PM	12:00 AM	
5/11/04	2:32 PM	2:49 PM	Special Session
5/11/04	2:50 PM	10:41 PM	Special Session
6/28/04	10:40 AM	10:59 AM	Special Session

**Table 5: Senate Session Days 2004**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Convened</i>	<i>Adjourned</i>	<i>Comments</i>
1/26/04	1:25 PM	3:16 PM	Special Session
1/26/04	2:31 PM	3:18 PM	Special Session
2/4/04	11:06 AM	11:26 AM	
3/3/04	11:38 AM	5:49 PM	
3/10/04	12:25 PM	3:19 PM	
3/24/04	11:13 AM	5:20 PM	
3/25/04	1:56 PM	4:23 PM	
3/31/04	12:47 PM	3:36 PM	
4/14/04	12:59 PM	6:39 PM	
4/15/04	1:52 PM	8:11 PM	
4/21/04	12:35 PM	4:38 PM	
4/22/04	5:16 PM	1:53 AM	
4/27/04	4:07 PM	5:48 PM	
4/28/04	12:20 PM	1:24 AM	
4/29/04	2:57 PM	1:37 AM	
4/30/04	1:57 PM	8:04 PM	
5/3/04	8:18 PM	2:07 AM	
5/4/04	12:21 PM	4:12 AM	
5/5/05	1:54 PM	12:00 AM	
5/11/04	2:40 PM	10:49 PM	Special Session
5/11/04	2:45 PM	10:47 PM	Special Session
7/1/04	4:01 PM	4:28 PM	Special Session

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**STARTING AND ENDING TIMES FOR NONTECHNICAL HOUSE  
SESSIONS FROM 1995 TO 2002**

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You asked for the dates and the session starting and ending times for all days the House was in session (excluding technical sessions) from 1995 to 2002. You also wanted to know how many days the House was in session during the last three long sessions (odd-numbered years).

The information you requested is contained in the following tables arranged by year. We have designated those session days that were for special sessions. The information was taken from the House Journals. In a few cases the Journal did not have the adjournment times.

The House was in session for 31 days in 1997, including eight special session days; 28 days in 1999, including two special session days; and 28 days in 2001, including five special session days.

**Table 1: 1995 House Sessions**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Convened</i>	<i>Adjourned</i>	<i>Comments</i>
01/04/1995	10:00 AM	4:24 PM	
02/01/1995	3:02 PM	4:59 PM	
02/15/1995	4:32 PM	4:49 PM	
03/08/1995	2:00 PM	7:49 PM	
03/15/1995	3:00 PM	3:49 PM	
03/29/1995	2:00 PM	4:57 PM	
04/05/1995	2:06 PM	7:17 PM	
04/19/1995	1:30 PM	5:06 PM	
04/26/1995	11:30 AM	6:10 PM	
05/02/1995	11:05 AM	2:21 PM	
05/09/1995	10:30 AM	1:55 PM	
05/10/1995	11:30 AM	4:50 PM	
05/16/1995	11:00 AM	3:06 PM	
05/17/1995	1:05 PM	6:17 PM	
05/18/1995	11:35 AM	8:09 PM	
05/23/1995	11:30 AM	5:51 PM	
05/24/1995	1:05 PM	4:31 PM	
05/25/1995	11:00 AM	6:01 PM	
05/27/1995	3:50 PM	6:44 PM	
05/30/1995	1:00 PM	9:41 PM	
05/31/1995	12:00 PM	11:07 PM	
06/01/1995	12:03 PM	12:00 AM	
06/02/1995	12:13 PM	2:07 AM	
06/03/1995	12:03 PM	6:58 PM	
06/05/1995	11:00 AM	1:14 AM	
06/06/1995	11:00 AM	12:00 AM	
06/07/1995	12:15 PM	11:59 PM	
07/31/1995	10:00 AM	10:20 AM	Special Session
10/25/1995	1:00 PM	2:44 PM	Special Session

**Table 2: 1996 House Sessions**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Convened</i>	<i>Adjourned</i>	<i>Comments</i>
02/07/1996	10:00 AM	--	No adjournment time indicated
03/06/1996	12:02 PM	3:18 PM	
04/02/1996	11:05 AM	3:15 PM	
04/09/1996	1:00 PM	5:19 PM	
04/10/1996	12:30 PM	3:41 PM	
04/16/1996	1:00 PM	6:11 PM	
04/17/1996	12:00 PM	8:38 PM	
04/23/1996	1:00 PM	5:25 PM	
04/24/1996	12:00 PM	12:29 AM	
04/25/1996	1:00 PM	5:25 PM	
04/29/1996	1:00 PM	1:51 AM	
04/30/1996	1:00 PM	5:19 PM	
05/02/1996	12:00 PM	7:26 PM	
05/01/1996	12:00 PM	8:51 PM	
05/03/1996	1:05 PM	6:12 PM	
05/04/1996	11:20 AM	10:23 PM	
05/06/1996	12:03 PM	12:52 AM	
05/07/1996	11:00 AM	3:28 AM	
05/08/1996	11:10 AM	12:00 AM	
06/24/1996	10:00 AM	10:30 AM	Special Session

**Table 3: 1997 House Sessions**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Convened</i>	<i>Adjourned</i>	<i>Comments</i>
01/08/1997	10:00 AM	1:18 PM	
01/28/1997	11:04 AM	2:58 PM	
02/13/1997	11:02 AM	3:26 PM	
03/19/1997	11:06 AM	1:54 PM	
04/02/1997	1:02 PM	2:29 PM	
04/16/1997	11:00 AM	6:06 PM	
04/23/1997	1:00 PM	4:47 PM	
04/30/1997	12:06 PM	5:14 PM	
05/07/1997	11:33 AM	4:58 PM	
05/08/1997	1:04 PM	3:59 PM	
05/13/1997	11:32 AM	3:49 PM	
05/14/1997	1:05 PM	10:58 PM	
05/15/1997	1:08 PM	7:29 PM	
05/20/1997	12:05 PM	5:56 PM	
05/21/1997	1:02 PM	6:16 PM	
05/22/1997	1:05 PM	9:19 PM	
05/27/1997	1:05 PM	9:59 PM	
05/28/1997	12:04 PM	10:28 PM	
05/30/1997	12:32 PM	3:14 PM	
05/31/1997	1:26 PM	7:23 PM	
06/02/1997	10:35 AM	5:10 AM	
06/03/1997	12:17 PM	3:37 AM	
06/04/1997	11:12 AM	11:58 PM	
06/18/1997	1:15 PM	3:39 PM	Special Session
06/18/1997	4:34 PM	3:41 AM	Special Session
06/20/1997	9:30 AM	6:31 PM	Special Session
06/25/1997	2:00 PM	12:21 AM	Special Session
07/21/1997	10:00 AM	10:47 AM	Special Session
07/21/1997	10:49 AM	11:14 AM	Special Session
07/21/1997	11:15 AM	2:27 PM	Special Session
10/29/1997	11:17 AM	2:17 PM	Special Session

**Table 4: 1998 House Sessions**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Convened</i>	<i>Adjourned</i>	<i>Comments</i>
02/04/1998	10:00 AM	--	No adjournment date indicated
02/18/1998	2:00 PM	3:25 PM	
03/04/1998	2:00 PM	7:50 PM	
03/25/1998	1:00 PM	5:20 PM	
04/01/1998	1:05 PM	2:55 PM	
04/08/1998	12:05 PM	3:10 PM	
04/15/1998	12:00 PM	7:30 PM	
04/21/1998	1:00 PM	6:05 PM	
04/22/1998	1:07 PM	5:18 PM	
04/23/1998	12:00 PM	7:00 PM	
04/27/1998	1:00 PM	4:47 PM	
04/28/1998	1:10 PM	6:48 PM	
04/29/1998	12:05 PM	7:40 PM	
04/30/1998	1:05 PM	8:15 PM	
05/01/1998	12:00 PM	12:40 AM	
05/02/1998	12:00 PM	7:10 PM	
05/04/1998	11:00 AM	1:08 AM	
05/05/1998	12:00 PM	1:20 AM	
05/06/1998	11:10 AM	12:00 AM	
06/22/1998	10:00 AM	1:20 PM	Special session
12/15/1998	2:22 PM	--	No adjournment time indicated

**Table 5: 1999 House Sessions**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Convened</i>	<i>Adjourned</i>	<i>Comments</i>
01/06/1999	10:05 AM	4:45 PM	
01/28/1999	2:04 PM	3:34 PM	
02/10/1999	12:08 PM	3:29 PM	
02/17/1999	1:08 PM	2:30 PM	
03/10/1999	11:15 AM	3:00 PM	
04/07/1999	11:08 AM	4:30 PM	
04/21/1999	12:00 PM	5:00 PM	
04/28/1999	12:05 PM	4:00 PM	
05/05/1999	12:30 PM	5:00 PM	
05/06/1999	1:10 PM	6:40 PM	
05/12/1999	12:30 PM	5:00 PM	
05/13/1999	11:20 AM	5:10 PM	
05/18/1999	1:10 PM	5:13 PM	
05/19/1999	12:35 PM	5:00 PM	
05/20/1999	12:10 PM	5:40 PM	
05/25/1999	1:00 PM	4:30 PM	
05/27/1999	1:00 PM	6:40 PM	
05/28/1999	12:05 PM	3:30 PM	
06/01/1999	1:08 PM	9:00 PM	
06/02/1999	11:00 AM	10:20 PM	
06/04/1999	12:20 PM	10:35 PM	
06/03/1999	12:15 PM	7:40 PM	
06/05/1999	11:30 AM	9:50 PM	
06/07/1999	11:25 AM	12:55 AM	
06/08/1999	10:10 AM	4:18 AM	
06/09/1999	10:30 AM	11:59 PM	
06/14/1999	11:30 AM	9:20 PM	Special Session
08/02/1999	10:00 AM	10:22 AM	Special Session

**Table 6: 2000 House Sessions**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Convened</i>	<i>Adjourned</i>	<i>Comments</i>
02/09/2000	10:00 AM	--	No adjournment time indicated
03/01/2000	12:01 PM	7:30 PM	
03/15/2000	1:20 PM	3:07 PM	
03/29/2000	11:00 AM	5:15 PM	
04/05/2000	11:20 AM	10:30 PM	
04/11/2000	12:05 PM	5:40 PM	
04/12/2000	12:15 PM	11:00 PM	
04/13/2000	11:08 AM	5:17 PM	
04/17/2000	12:15 PM	7:00 PM	
04/18/2000	11:22 AM	2:07 AM	
04/24/2000	1:15 PM	8:35 PM	
04/25/2000	12:30 PM	12:58 AM	
04/26/2000	2:15 PM	9:25 PM	
04/27/2000	10:30 AM	9:55 PM	
04/28/2000	12:15 PM	2:30 AM	
05/01/2000	11:24 AM	10:45 PM	
05/02/2000	10:00 AM	2:40 AM	
05/03/2000	9:30 AM	11:57 PM	
06/19/2000	10:00 AM	11:02 AM	Special session
06/19/2000	11:04 AM	9:12 PM	Special session

**Table 7: 2001 House Sessions**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Convened</i>	<i>Adjourned</i>	<i>Comments</i>
01/03/2001	10:00 AM	2:05 PM	
02/07/2001	12:00 PM	4:10 PM	
01/17/2001	10:00 AM	1:55 PM	
03/08/2001	2:40 PM	9:10 PM	
03/29/2001	3:00 PM	5:00 PM	
04/11/2001	1:18 PM	6:59 PM	
04/19/2001	1:30 PM	4:15 PM	
04/25/2001	1:15 PM	6:40 PM	
05/02/2001	11:30 AM	6:25 PM	
05/08/2001	11:35 AM	5:38 PM	
05/09/2001	11:25 AM	5:25 PM	
05/16/2001	11:55 AM	8:56 PM	
05/17/2001	2:00 PM	5:40 PM	
05/22/2001	11:18 AM	3:35 PM	
05/23/2001	11:19 AM	8:50 PM	
05/24/2001	11:50 AM	3:49 AM	
05/29/2001	12:15 PM	8:53 PM	
05/30/2001	11:45 AM	11:40 PM	
05/31/2001	11:20 AM	1:46 AM	
06/01/2001	11:37 AM	10:45 PM	
06/04/2001	11:40 AM	12:05 AM	
06/05/2001	10:20 AM	1:00 AM	
06/06/2001	10:55 AM	11:59 PM	
06/25/2001	10:58 AM	4:42 PM	Special Session
06/28/2001	11:30 AM	10:05 PM	Special Session
06/29/2001	12:45 PM	3:56 AM	Special Session
07/23/2001	10:00 AM	4:19 PM	Special Session
07/23/2001	3:42 PM	4:12 PM	Special Session

**Table 8: 2002 House Sessions**

<b><i>Date</i></b>	<b><i>Convened</i></b>	<b><i>Adjourned</i></b>	<b><i>Comments</i></b>
02/06/2002	10:00 AM	12:53 PM	
02/27/2002	3:07 PM	2:23 AM	
03/21/2002	11:07 AM	12:28 PM	
04/03/2002	1:15 PM	4:15 PM	
04/10/2002	11:20 AM	5:50 PM	
04/17/2002	12:15 PM	10:55 PM	
04/18/2002	11:20 AM	10:25 PM	
04/23/2002	11:34 AM	7:25 PM	
04/24/2002	12:35 PM	7:37 PM	
04/25/2002	11:48 AM	1:10 AM	
04/26/2002	3:25 PM	7:55 PM	
04/29/2002	1:12 PM	7:51 PM	
04/30/2002	12:22 PM	12:13 AM	
05/01/2002	12:42 PM	10:11 PM	
05/02/2002	12:30 PM	12:15 AM	
05/03/2002	12:24 PM	5:00 AM	
05/06/2002	12:38 PM	10:45 PM	
05/07/2002	11:34 AM	1:12 AM	
05/08/2002	10:49 AM	11:59 PM	
06/30/2002	12:55 PM	4:45 AM	Special Session
08/12/2002	1:27 PM	2:02 AM	Special Session

**Table 6: Summary of House Sessions, 1995 to 2002**

<i>Year</i>	<i>Regular Session</i>		<i>Special Session</i>	
	<i>No. of Sessions</i>	<i>No. of Sessions adjourned on or after midnight</i>	<i>No. of Sessions</i>	<i>No. of Sessions adjourned on or after midnight</i>
1995	27	4	2	0
1996	19	5	1	
1997	23	2	8	2
1998	19	4	2	0
1999	26	2	2	0
2000	18	4	2	0
2001	23	4	5	1
2002	19	6	2	2