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### AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA

Alabama	Alaska	Arizona	Arkansas	California
Enactment	Legislation becomes effective	If the Governor	Unless there is an emergency clause	Most bills go into effect on
clauses	90 days after enactment,	signs a bill and it is	or an enactment clause that specifies	January 1 of the year following a
that	including Saturdays and	either emergency	otherwise, the legislation takes effect	bill's enactment. Urgency
specify the	Sundays, unless specified	or Proposition 108	90 days after sine die adjournment. In	measures take effect immedi-
effective	otherwise within the bill. A bill	legislation, the law	Arkansas, this period of time is a	ately after they are signed by the
date are	becomes enacted if, while the	takes effect	constitutionally-reserved right of the	Governor, or after they are
included in	Legislature is in session, the	immediately;	people to file a referendum petition	allowed to become law without
each bill.	Governor neither signs nor	otherwise, the law	blocking non-emergency legislation. In	the Governor's signature.
	vetoes it within 15 days	takes effect 90	addition, if this referendum deadline	Statutes calling for elections or
	following its delivery, Sundays	days after the	falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal	providing for tax levies or
	excepted. If the Legislature is	Legislature	holiday, the deadline must instead	appropriations for the usual
	not in session and the	adjourns sine die.	move to the next day that is not a	current expenses of the state
	Governor neither signs nor	Proposition 108	Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday.	also go into effect immediately
	vetoes a bill within 20 days	requires legislation	For this reason, the effective date may	upon enactment. Every
	following its delivery, Sundays	that provides a net	end up being slightly later than 90 days	concurrent and joint resolution
	excepted, the bill becomes	increase in state	after adjournment.	takes effect upon filing with the
	enacted.	revenues to receive		Secretary of State.
		a two-thirds		
		majority.		

### CO, CT, DE, FL, GA

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If a bill contains a safety clause (meaning the bill is not subject to the citizens' right to file a referendum petition against it), the bill takes effect on the date specified within it. If no date is specified, then it takes effect upon its passage - the date on which the Governor either approves the bill or allows it to become law without a signature. If a bill does not contain a safety clause, a special effective date clause explaining an alternative effective date will be added to the bill in lieu of the safety clause. Assuming that a referendum petition is not filed against a bill lacking a safety clause, the earliest the bill can take effect is the day after the expiration of the 90-day period following adjournment. If a referendum petition containing sufficient signatures is filed against a bill within the 90-day period, the bill cannot take effect until approved by the voters at an even-year statewide election.

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effective	soon as they are	takes effect	ation
date is	signed into law,	on the 60th	takes
specified in	when a veto is	day after	effect on
the bill.	overridden, or when	adjour-	July 1
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date given is	failed to sign a bill	die of the	otherwise
either July 1	within 10 days	session of	specified
or October	(Sundays	the Legisl-	within an
1, although	excluded), unless a	ature in	enactment
January 1	different effective	which it was	clause in
occasionally	date is otherwise	enacted, or	the bill.
appears as	noted within an	as	
an effective	enactment clause in	otherwise	
date, as	the bill.	provided	
well.		within the	
		bill.	



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### KS, KY, LA, ME, MD

#### Kansas

The vast majority of the time, effective dates are at the end of the bill. However, if there is no effective date noted, a bill becomes effective upon publication in the statute book. This is always July 1 of the year that the bill passed the Legislature. This rule applies to special session bills and bills that passed without the Governor's signature. In certain cases, bills may become effective upon publication in the Kansas Register.

### Kentucky

Effective dates are normally noted in the text of the bill. However, if they are not noted, the bill becomes effective 90 days after the official end of the session. The official end of the session is determined by the Attorney General. This 90-day rule applies to bills that pass into law without the Governor's signature, as well as special session bills. For special sessions, a bill will become effective 90 days after the special session ends, also as determined by the Attorney General.

Louisiana If an effective date is not provided in the bill text, the bill will always become effective on August 1 of the year that the bill passed the Legislature. This rule also applies to bills that pass into law without the Governor's signature. For special sessions, the bill becomes effective 60 days after adjournment of the special session.

Maine	Maryland
Effective dates are	Bills will
normally noted in	always have
the bill, but for bills	an effective
that do not have an	date noted in
effective date, they	the bill text.
become effective 90	The only bills
days after the	that do not
session has ended.	have effective
This rule also	dates in the
applies to resolves,	bill text are
special sessions	emergency
and bills that pass	bills, which
into law without the	become
Governor's	effective on
signature.	the day they
	are signed.

effective

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### MA, MI, MN, MS, MO (cont)

The majority of bills will have effective dates within the bill text. If a bill does not have an effective date, it is effective 90 days after it was signed by the Governor. If a bill was not signed by the Governor, then it is effective 90 days after the end of the session.

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Most bills will have an effective date noted in the text of the bill. If an effective date is not noted, however, and if the bill passed by a two-thirds majority, then the bill takes effect immediately. If the bill does not pass by a two-thirds majority, then the bill becomes effective 90 days after adjournment. Most bills will have effective dates within the bill text. For bills that do not have effective dates noted in the text, the bills become effective on August 1 of the year in which the bill passed the Legislature, except for appropriation bills. Appropriation bills become effective on July 1 of the fiscal year to which the bill applies. For special sessions, if the August 1 deadline has passed, then the bill will always have an effective date within the bill text. The above rules apply even if a bill passes without the Governor's signature.

If a bill does not have an effective date within the bill text. then the bill becomes effective 60 days after passage. This includes bills passed during a special session and bills that have become effective without the Governor's signature.

If a bill does not have an effective date within the bill text, then the bill will become effective on August 28 of the year in which it passed the Legislature. If the bill is an emergency bill, then it is effective immediately unless otherwise noted within the bill. For special sessions, if there is no effective date within the text of the bill, then the bill becomes effective 90 days after adjournment of the special session.

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### MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ (cont)

If a bill does not have an effective date within the bill text, then the bill becomes effective on October 1 of the year that it passed the Legislature. For special sessions, bills become effective upon passage if an effective date is not stated in the bill text. Bills without emergency clauses or effective dates specified in bill text become law three calendar months after the legislative session ends (Article III, Sec, 27 Nebr. Const.). Bills with emergency clauses become law the day after they are signed by the Governor.

Bills without	Effective	A law takes
effective	dates for	effect on the day
dates	all bills	specified in its
specified in	are	text or, if
bill text	specified	unspecified, the
become	in bill	first July 4
effective on	text.	following its
October 1.		enactment.

### NM, NY, NC, ND, OH

New Mexico	New York	North Carolina	North Dakota Ohio	
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## NM, NY, NC, ND, OH (cont)

Bills without effective	Effective	Bills without	Bills without effective dates specified in bill text become	Bills without effective
dates specified in bill	dates for	effective	effective on August 1, unless they are appropriations or tax	dates specified in bill
text or emergency	all bills	dates	bills, in which case they become effective on July 1. Tax bills	text become effective on
clauses become	are	specified in	include any enforced contribution for public purposes (e.g., this	the 91st day following
effective 90 days after	specified	bill text	would include fees or even authority for a public entity to	the bill's filing with the
adjournment of the	in the bill	become	determine a fee level). Emergency measures become effective	Secretary of State for
Legislature. Bills with	text.	effective 60	when they are filed with the Secretary of State's office or on the	final enrollment.
emergency clauses		days after	date specified in the measure. The date a bill is filed with the	Emergency, current
become effective upon		the adjour-	Secretary is often, but not always, the same day that the	appropriation, and tax
signing by the		nment of the	Governor signs the bill.	legislation are effective
Governor.		session in		immediately.
		which they		
		passed.		

## OK, OR, PA, RI, SC

Oklahoma		Oregon	Pennsy- Ivania	Rhode Island	South Carolina
Bills without effective dates specified in bill text become effective 90 days after the session adjourns. Emergency measures become effective upon signing by the Governor.		Except as otherwise provided in an Act, an Act of the Legislature takes effect on January 1 of the year after its passage.	Effective dates for all bills are specified in the bill text.	Effective dates for all bills are specified in the bill text.	A law becomes effective 20 days after approval by the Governor, unless a date is specified in the text.
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## SD, TN, TX, UT, VT

South Dakota	Tennessee	Texas
The state Constitution provides that no law can	Laws of a general	Laws passed by the Legislature,
take effect sooner than 90 days following the	nature do not take	except the general appropriation
legislative session. In addition, existing state	effect until 40 days	act, take effect 90 days after the
law sets the effective date of bills passed during	after their passage,	adjournment of the session at which
the regular session as July 1, unless the text	unless they contain a	they are enacted, unless passed by
itself provides for a later effective date or the	provision that the	a two-thirds majority. The final vote
law contains an emergency clause granting	public welfare requires	is indicated on the signature page of
immediate effect.	that they should take	an enacted bill.
	effect sooner.	

Utah	Vermont
Enacted	If a bill does
bills are	not contain
effective 60	an
days	enactment
following	clause, it
adjour-	becomes
nment,	effective on
unless	July 1 of the
otherwise	year the
specified in	session
the text.	ends.

### VA, WA, WV, WI, WY

Virginia	Washington	West Virginia	Wisconsin	Wyoming
Bills that become law at a regular session (or the	Laws go into	Acts of the Legislature may not take	Unless	Each bill
reconvened session that follows) are effective July	effect 90	effect until 90 days have elapsed from a	otherwise	contains an
1 following the adjournment of the regular session,	days after	bill's passage, unless it was passed by a	specified, the	enactment
unless otherwise specified. Bills enacted at a	the adjour-	two-thirds majority. The 90 days are	date of	clause that
special session take effect on the first day of the	nment of the	calculated based on the date the Legisl-	enactment of	indicates
fourth month following the month that the special	session,	ature passed the bill, not the date it was	a bill is one	when the law
session adjourned.	unless	signed by the Governor.	day after the	shall
	otherwise		date of	become
	specified.		publication.	effective.



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Other			
Puerto Rico	Guam	US Virgin Islands	United States
Effective dates are specified in the bill text.	Effective dates are specified in the bill text.	Effective dates are specified in the bill text. If no date is specified, it becomes effective on the day it is signed by the Governor.	Effective dates are specified in the bill text.



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