

State Carryover Procedures

Alabama

No carryover.

Alaska

Legislation carries over from odd-numbered to even-numbered years.

Arizona

No carryover.

Arkansas

No carryover.

California

The California Legislature has a 2 year session. All measures that are not final enacted by the end of the first year can be considered in the second year of the session. To be officially designated as a carryover bill, a bill must pass its chamber of origin by January 31 of the second year of the session. All first year measures that have not passed their chambers of origin by January 31 of the second year may no longer receive consideration.

Colorado

No carryover.

Connecticut

No carryover.

Delaware

Legislation carries over from odd-numbered to even-numbered years.

District of Columbia

Legislation carries over from odd-numbered to even-numbered years.

Florida

No carryover.

Georgia

Legislation carries over from odd-numbered to even-numbered years.

Hawaii

Any bill pending at the final adjournment of a regular session in an odd-numbered year shall carry over with the same status to the next regular session. However, regardless of its status at the conclusion of the first regular session, before the carried-over bill is enacted, it shall pass at least one reading in the house in which it originated.

Idaho

No carryover.

Illinois

Legislation carries over from odd-numbered to even-numbered years. All bills are referred to either the House Rules Committee or the Senate Assignments Committee.

Indiana

No carryover.

Iowa

Legislation carries over from odd-numbered to even-numbered years.

Kansas

Legislation carries over from odd-numbered to even-numbered years.

Kentucky

No carryover.

Louisiana

No carryover.

Maine

Legislation approved by Legislative Council carries over from odd-numbered to even-numbered years.

Maryland

No carryover.

Massachusetts

Legislation carries over from odd-numbered to even-numbered years.

Michigan

Legislation carries over from odd-numbered to even-numbered years.

Minnesota

Legislation carries over from odd-numbered to even-numbered years.

Mississippi

No carryover.

Missouri

No carryover.

Montana

No carryover. Legislature meets every other year in the odd year.

Nebraska

Bills and resolutions introduced during the regular session in an odd-numbered year are held over for consideration during the regular session in an even-numbered year. Measures that are indefinitely postponed do not carry over.

Nevada

No carryover. Legislature meets every other year in the odd year.

New Hampshire

Eligible legislation carries over from odd-numbered to even-numbered years. Legislation that was re-referred to or retained by the committee in the first year session may carry over. If legislation was deemed inexpedient to legislate, it would not carry over.

New Jersey

Legislation carries over from even-numbered to odd-numbered years.

New Mexico

No carryover.

New York

Legislation carries over from odd-numbered to even-numbered years.

North Carolina

Legislation carries over from odd-numbered to even-numbered years. Not all bills carryover. A list of bills eligible for carryover is created by the House and Senate.

North Dakota

No carryover. Legislature meets every other year in the odd year.

Ohio

Legislation carries over from odd-numbered to even-numbered years.

Oklahoma

Any bills or joint resolutions pending in the Legislature are carried over from odd-numbered to even-numbered years with the exception of bills and joint resolutions pending in a conference committee at the time of adjournment in the odd-numbered year. Simple and concurrent resolutions pending in the Senate at the time of adjournment are not carried over.

Oregon

No carryover.

Pennsylvania

Legislation carries over from odd-numbered to even-numbered years.

Rhode Island

Legislation carries over from odd-numbered to even-numbered years at the discretion of the sponsor. It is not a common practice in Rhode Island.

South Carolina

Legislation carries over from odd-numbered to even-numbered years.

South Dakota

No carryover.

Tennessee

Legislation carries over from odd-numbered to even-numbered years. All bills that did not go to the Governor for action are carried over.

Texas

No carryover.

Utah

No carryover.

Vermont

Legislation carries over from odd-numbered to even-numbered years.

Virginia

Legislation carries over from even-numbered to odd-numbered years. When a bill is carried over, legislators have until December 10 to consider and vote on the legislation. All bills considered for carryover must have been in a committee at sine die, and addressed and passed by the committee by December 10. If a bill passes before the December 10 deadline, it will go to the floor when the session starts again.

Washington

Legislation carries over from odd-numbered to even-numbered years.

West Virginia

Carryover legislation applies only to House bills and may occur from odd-numbered to even-numbered years. Legislation does not carryover automatically; the sponsor or cosponsors of a bill or resolution must submit a request for the legislation to carryover. The request must be made to the Clerk of the House no later than ten days before the commencement of the Second Regular Session.

Wisconsin

Legislation carries over from odd-numbered to even-numbered years.

Wyoming

No carryover.