LEGISLATIVE SESSION TIMETABLE

2023 * 2024 -

JANUARY 9, 2023 | JANUARY 8, 2024 First day of the legislative session. JANUARY 10, 2023 | JANUARY 9, 2024 Governor gives her annual *Condition of the State Address* to the Legislature and releases her budget requests.

Chief Justice of the Supreme Court gives her *Condition of the Judiciary Address* to the Legislature and releases her budget requests.

Last day for legislators to ask for (sponsor) bills; committee chairs and legislative leaders can continue to make requests after this date.

First deadline, called a *funnel*. Bills have to be voted out of a House or Senate Committee by this date in order to stay alive and remain eligible for debate (that is – past Step 3). This deadline does not apply to bills that spend money (Appropriations bills), deal with taxes (Ways and Means bills), come out of the Government Oversight Committee, or are sponsored by legislative leaders.

MARCH 31, 2023 | MARCH 15, 2024

Second *funnel* deadline. Bills have to be voted out of one chamber and out of committee in the opposite chamber (or they are no longer eligible for debate). This deadline doesn't apply to tax, spending, Government Oversight, or leadership bills.

The "Last" day of session. Legislators are paid a set salary for their work but receive daily expense payments for every day they are at the Capitol and away from home (these *per diem* expense checks help offset the cost of living away from home and traveling weekly to the Capitol). These expenses are capped at 110 days in 2023 and 100 days in 2024. After this date, legislators no longer receive these *per diem* expenses. If session lasts longer, they travel and stay at their own expense and work without staff support.

These dates can be changed by legislative leaders (but unlikely).

