



Department of Legislative Services  
**General Assembly of Maryland**  
**Dates of Interest**  
**2012 SESSION**

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- January 11** GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONVENES (*noon, Wednesday*)  
**18** Final date for Governor to introduce budget bill  
**20** 10th Day — Final date for submission of Executive Orders reorganizing the Executive Branch of State Government; either Chamber may disapprove by resolution within 50 days  
 Administration bills introduced in the Senate after this date referred to Senate Rules Committee  
**24** 14th Day — **SENATE AND HOUSE BILL REQUEST GUARANTEE DATE**  
**30** 20th Day — Final date for Governor to introduce capital budget bill

- February 1** Governor delivers the State of the State Address (*noon*)  
**3** 24th Day — **SENATE BILL INTRODUCTION DATE**  
 Senate bills introduced after this date referred to the Senate Rules Committee  
**9** Day before House Bill Introduction Date; “Hopper” will close at 5:00 P.M.  
**10** 31st Day — **HOUSE BILL INTRODUCTION DATE**  
 House bills introduced after this date referred to the House Rules and Executive Nominations Committee  
**19** 40th Day — “Green Bag” appointments submitted by Governor (*Delivered on Friday, February 17*)

- March 5** 55th Day — Final date for introduction of bills without suspension of Rules  
**20** 70th Day — Committee Reporting Courtesy Date  
 Each Chamber’s committees to report their own bills by this date  
**26** 76th Day — Opposite Chamber Bill Crossover Date  
 Each Chamber to send to other Chamber those bills it intends to pass favorably  
 Opposite Chamber bills received after this date subject to referral to Rules Committees (Senate Rule 32(c), House Courtesy Date)

- April 2** 83rd Day — Budget bill to be passed by both Chambers  
**9** 90th Day — **ADJOURNMENT “SINE DIE” (Monday)**

- May 9** Final date for an extended session (*Wednesday*)

**POST-SESSION**

- April 29** 20th Day after adjournment — Final date for presentment of bills to Governor  
**May 29** 30th Day after presentment — Governor to sign/veto bills by this date  
**June 1** Other than emergency bills and as otherwise provided, earliest date for bills to take effect  
**July 1** Budgetary, tax, and revenue bills to take effect  
**October 1** Usual effective date for bills

**HOLIDAYS AND OTHER OBSERVANCES**

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|--------------------|---|-----------------|---------------|
| <b>January 1</b>   | New Year’s Day<br>(Observed January 2, 2012)* | <b>March 25</b> | Maryland Day  |
| <b>February 16</b> | Martin Luther King, Jr. Day*                  | <b>April 6</b>  | Passover      |
| <b>February 12</b> | Lincoln’s Birthday                            | <b>April 6</b>  | Good Friday   |
| <b>February 20</b> | Presidents’ Day*                              | <b>April 8</b>  | Easter        |
| <b>February 22</b> | Washington’s Birthday                         | <b>May 28</b>   | Memorial Day* |

\*State Holiday