



2023 State Legislative Session Information

State	Convene Date	Prefiling Start	Prefiling End
Alabama	03/07/2023	01/17/2023	
Alaska	01/17/2023	Already begun*	01/01/2023 (legislation won't be released to the public until this date)
Arizona	01/09/2023	After certification of election results has been completed	
Arkansas	01/09/2023	11/15/2022	
California	12/05/2022	Not permitted/practiced	Not permitted/practiced
Colorado	01/09/2023	Already begun*	12/13/2022
Connecticut	01/04/2023	Not permitted/practiced	Not permitted/practiced
Delaware	01/10/2023	12/15/2022	
District of Columbia	01/02/2023	Not permitted/practiced	Not permitted/practiced
Florida	03/07/2023	Already begun (Senate) (House)	03/07/2023
Georgia	01/09/2023	11/15/2022	
Hawaii	01/18/2023	Not permitted/practiced	Not permitted/practiced
Idaho	01/09/2023	Not permitted/practiced	After the 20th day of any session except for committees
Illinois	01/11/2023	11/30/2022	
Indiana	01/10/2023	10/24/2022	
Iowa	01/09/2023	Already begun	12/05/2022
Kansas	01/09/2023	After certification of election results has been completed	
Kentucky	01/03/2023	Already begun	
Louisiana	04/10/2023	01/16/2023	02/22/2023
Maine	12/07/2022	Already begun	
Maryland	01/11/2023	Already begun	11/20/2022
Massachusetts	01/04/2023	Not yet released	
Michigan	01/11/2023	11/16/2022	
Minnesota	01/03/2023	Not permitted/practiced this year	Not permitted/practiced this year
Mississippi	01/03/2023	Already begun*	01/11/2023
Missouri	01/04/2023	12/01/2022	
Montana	01/02/2023	Already begun	
Nebraska	01/04/2023	Not permitted/practiced	Not permitted/practiced



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Nevada	02/06/2023	After certification of election results has been completed	
New Hampshire	01/04/2023	Already begun	
New Jersey	01/10/2023	Not permitted/practiced	Not permitted/practiced
New Mexico	01/17/2023	01/03/2023	
New York	01/04/2023	11/15/2022	
North Carolina	01/11/2023	Not permitted/practiced	Not permitted/practiced
North Dakota	01/03/2023	12/05/2022	12/08/2022
Ohio	01/03/2023	Not permitted/practiced	Not permitted/practiced
Oklahoma	02/06/2023	11/15/2022	12/08/2022
Oregon	01/09/2023	Already begun*	12/21/2022
Pennsylvania	01/03/2023	12/1/2022	
Rhode Island	01/03/2023	11/15/2022	
South Carolina	01/10/2023	Not yet released	
South Dakota	01/10/2023	12/12/2022	
Tennessee	01/10/2023	After certification of election results has been completed	
Texas	01/10/2023	11/14/2022	
Utah	01/17/2023	Already begun	
Vermont	01/04/2023	Already begun*	On or before the last legislative day of January (House) and/or 12/26/2022 (Senate)
Virginia	01/11/2023	Already begun	
Washington	01/09/2023	12/12/2022	
West Virginia	01/11/2023	12/12/2022	
Wisconsin	01/03/2023	Not permitted/practiced	Not permitted/practiced
Wyoming	01/10/2023	Already begun*	

* States that have already begun prefiling but do not have a link have not made their prefiled bills available to the public yet.

Conclusions:

It is the first year of the biennium for most states. Since there are no requirements for what subjects can be legislated on in the 1st year of the biennium for the majority (i.e. not budget sessions), states are most likely to introduce legislation on a wide range of topics in 2023.

43 states convene in the month of January, with 39 of those states convening within the first two weeks.

35 states start prefiling legislation before January 1, 2023, and 15 have already begun prefiling.