

# HOUSE BILL No. 1023

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 2-2.1.

**Synopsis:** Duration of first regular session of the Indiana general assembly. Changes the deadline for the general assembly to adjourn sine die in an odd-numbered year from April 29 to April 15.

**Effective:** July 1, 2016.

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January 5, 2016, read first time and referred to Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedures.

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Second Regular Session of the 119th General Assembly (2016)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2015 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning general provisions.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 2-2.1-1-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016]: Sec. 2. (a) The first regular  
3 session of each term of the general assembly shall convene on the third  
4 Tuesday after the first Monday of November of each even-numbered  
5 year to do the following:  
6 (1) Organize itself.  
7 (2) Elect its officers.  
8 (3) Receive the oath of office.  
9 (b) If a special session is called before the date set in subsection (a),  
10 then the organization, election, and receiving the oath of office shall be  
11 held on the first day of the special session.  
12 (c) The general assembly shall then adjourn until a day:  
13 (1) certain fixed by a concurrent resolution; or  
14 (2) when the gavel of each house falls in the presence of a quorum  
15 whether or not a day certain to reconvene in session has been  
16 fixed.  
17 (d) The general assembly shall reconvene in session no later than



- 1 the second Monday in January of the following year.
- 2 (e) The first regular session of each term of the general assembly  
3 shall adjourn sine die not later than April 29 15 in any odd-numbered  
4 year.
- 5 SECTION 2. IC 2-2.1-4-4, AS ADDED BY P.L.229-2011,  
6 SECTION 37, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
7 JULY 1, 2016]: Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "final day of session"  
8 means:
- 9 (1) April 29 15 in odd-numbered years and March 14 in  
10 even-numbered years; or
- 11 (2) a date earlier than April 29 15 in odd-numbered years and  
12 March 14 in even-numbered years, if the presiding officers of  
13 each body have:
- 14 (A) jointly agreed; and  
15 (B) publicly announced;  
16 that the earlier date will be the final day of session.

