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Committee Deadlines Set

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Senate Majority Leader Dave Senjem and Speaker of the House Kurt Zellers released the committee deadlines for the 2012 Session this week.

- Friday, March 16 will be the first deadline for committees to "act favorably on bills in the house of origin".
- The second deadline is Friday, March 23 for committees to "act favorably on bills, or companions of bills, that met the first deadline in the other house".
- The third deadline is Friday, March 30 for committees to "act favorably on major appropriation and finance bills".

These deadlines do not apply to House committees on Capital Investment, Ways and Means, Taxes, or Rules and Administration or to the Senate committees on Capital Investment, Finance, Taxes, or Rules and Administration.

These deadlines should enable the Legislature to meet their targeted April 30 adjournment date.

Just over a week into the 2012 Session, the Legislature is already preparing to take a break for precinct caucuses. Members planned a February 2-7 break for precinct caucuses which will be held the evening of Tuesday, February 7. Both the House and the Senate will be back to work in St. Paul on Wednesday morning.