Alabama Legislature

WHERE IS THE ALABAMA STATE HOUSE LOCATED?

The Alabama State House is located at 11 South Union Street in Montgomery. The House of Representatives chamber is on the 5th floor and the public viewing gallery for the House is located on the 6th floor. The Alabama Senate chamber is on the 7th floor and the public viewing gallery for the Senate is located on the 8th floor.

WHAT ABOUT LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS?

The 2021 Regular Session of the Alabama Legislature will convene on February 2. The Legislature convenes in regular annual sessions on the first Tuesday in February, except (1) in the first year of the four-year term, when the session will begin on the first Tuesday in March, and (2) in the last year of a four-year term, when the session will begin on the second Tuesday in January. The length of the regular session is limited to 30 meeting days within a period of 105 calendar days. There are usually two meeting or "legislative" days per week, with other days devoted to committee meetings. Special sessions of the Legislature may be called by the Governor, with the Proclamation listing the subjects which the Governor wishes considered. These sessions are limited to 12 legislative days within a 30 calendar day span. In a regular session, bills may be enacted on any subject. In a special session, legislation must be enacted only on those subjects which the Governor announces in his proclamation or "call." Anything not in the "call" requires a two-thirds vote of each house to be enacted

Every four years (quadrennium), the members of the House and Senate must reorganize the Legislature, i.e. elect officers, adopt rules of procedure, appoint committees, etc. This reorganization is referred to as an organizational session.

The Governor can call a Special Session of the Alabama Legislature at any time. A special session can last no longer than 12 legislative (meeting) days, within a 30-calendar day period.

WHO CAN I CALL TO FIND OUT WHAT TIME THE LEGISLATURE MEETS DURING A SESSION?

To find out the times the House and Senate will convene on any given legislative day during the session, you can reach the House of Representatives at (334) 261-0500 and the Alabama Senate at (334) 261-0800.

WHAT COMMITTEES DO MOST HEALTH-RELATED PIECES OF LEGISLATION GET ASSIGNED?

HOUSE HEALTH COMMITTEE

Rep. Paul W. Lee (R-District 86) Chairman

Rep. Laura Hall (D-District 19), Ranking Minority Member

Rep. Matt Fridy (R-District 73)

Rep. Jeremy Gray (D-District 83)

Rep. Wes Kitchens (R-District 27)

Rep. Craig Lipscomb (R-District 30)

Rep. Joe Lovvorn (R-District 79)

Rep. Rhett Marques (R-District 91)

Rep. Arnold Mooney (R-District 43)

Rep. Becky Nordgren (R-District 29)

Rep. Ed Oliver (R-District 81)

Rep. Neil Rafferty (D-District 54)

Rep. Chris Sells (R-District 90)

Rep. Pebblin Warren (D-District 82)

For more information on the Health Committee visit the <u>Alabama House of Representatives website</u>.

SENATE HEALTHCARE COMMITTEE

Sen. Jim McClendon (R-District 11), Chairman

Sen. Larry Stutts (R-District 6), Vice Chairman

Sen. Linda Coleman-Madison (D-District 20), Ranking Minority Leader

Sen. William Beasley (D-District 28)

Sen. Tom Butler (R-District 2)

Sen. Donnie Chesteen (R-District 29)

Sen. Tim Melson (R-District 1)

Sen. Greg Reed (R-District 5)

Sen. Dan Roberts (R-District 15)

Sen. Cam Ward (R-District 14)

Sen. Tom Whatley (R-District 27) Sen. Jack W. Williams (R- District 34)

For more information on members of the Health and Human Services Committee visit the Alabama State Senate website.

WHAT IF I NEED SOME ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

If you would like to find out more information about the Alabama Legislature, <u>click here</u>.