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What are the key deadlines for the 87th Regular Session? Official deadlines will be set when the House and Senate adopt rules after session begins, but until then, related provisions in the Texas Constitution and Statutes and the <u>Texas Legislative Council Drafting</u>

<u>Manual perpetual calendar</u> (shown below) can be useful.

November 3, 2020: General election for federal, state, and county officers (<u>Texas Election Code, Section 41.001(a)(3)</u>)

November 9, 2020: Bill prefiling begins (House Rule 8, Section 7 and Senate Rule 7.04(a))

January 12, 2021: 87th Legislature convenes at noon (<u>Texas Constitution, Article III, Section 5(a)</u>; <u>Texas Government Code, Section 301.001</u>)

March 12, 2021: 60-day bill filing deadline (Texas Constitution, Article III, Section 5(b))

May 31, 2021: Adjournment sine die (Texas Constitution, Article III, Section 24(b))

June 20, 2021: Post-session 20-day deadline for Governor to sign or veto (Texas Constitution, Article IV, Section 14)

August 30, 2021: Effective date (91st day after adjournment) (Texas Constitution, Article III, Section 39)

SEC. 7.87. REGULAR SESSION PERPETUAL CALENDAR

New Year's Day	Legislature Convenes (Second Tuesday of January)	60-Day Bill Filing Deadline	Adjournment Sine Die (140th Day or 20 Weeks)	Post-Session 20-Day Deadline for Governor to Sign or Veto	Effective Date (91st Day After Adjournment)
Monday	Tuesday	Friday	Monday	Sunday	Monday
January 1	January 9	March 9	May 28	June 17	August 27
Tuesday	Tuesday	Friday	Monday	Sunday	Monday
January 1	January 8	March 8	May 27	June 16	August 26
Wednesday	Tuesday	Friday	Monday	Sunday	Monday
January 1	January 14	March 14	June 2	June 22	September 1
Thursday	Tuesday	Friday	Monday	Sunday	Monday
January 1	January 13	March 13	June 1	June 21	August 31
Friday	Tuesday	Friday	Monday	Sunday	Monday
January 1	January 12	March 12	May 31	June 20	August 30
Saturday	Tuesday	Friday	Monday	Sunday	Monday
January 1	January 11	March 11	May 30	June 19	August 29
Sunday	Tuesday	Friday	Monday	Sunday	Monday
January 1	January 10	March 10	May 29	June 18	August 28

Table can be viewed in the Texas Legislative Council Drafting Manual.