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Overview

Article IV, section 12, of the Minnesota Constitution provides that the legislature may meet in regular session during a biennium for up to 120 legislative days. The Constitution provides that "legislative day" shall be defined by law. Current law (Minnesota Statutes, section 3.012) provides that a legislative day is a day when either house of the legislature is called to order. This bill amends section 3.012 to provide that a legislative day is a day when either house of the legislature gives a bill a second or third reading, adopts a rule of procedure or organization, elects a university regent, or confirms a gubernatorial appointment.