

## The Legislative Journal

“Journal” is defined as an official chronological record of the action taken and proceedings of the respective houses of a legislature. The journal is considered to be the official record of legislative action for almost every legislative body (see table 00-7.20). Only two chambers reported otherwise. The Tennessee House indicated that the journal is not its official record, and the District of Columbia Council does not produce a journal.

While the journal is the official record in most states, it typically is not a verbatim transcript of floor action (see table 00-7.21). In fact, only four chambers—the Alabama Senate, New Hampshire Senate, Pennsylvania Senate and South Carolina House—produce verbatim journals. Most legislative assemblies produce “summary” journals—that is, a record that summarizes the major actions taken by a body, but that does not include every word spoken. Tables 00-7.22, 00-7.23 and 00-7.24 illustrate the information that chambers include in their journals.

**Journal production.** Many steps must be taken to produce a journal. Information must be compiled, proofed and corrected before the document is ready for publication.

*How is the journal compiled?* The methods by which legislatures compile their journals have changed over the years—from handwritten to typewritten to computer generated. Table 00-7.25 highlights the compilation processes that are used today. In 51 chambers, the journal is created using word processing programs on personal computers. Seventeen legislative assemblies use word processing programs on main frame computers. A manual (“cut and paste”) system is used by seven legislative assemblies. Six chambers—the Alabama Senate, California Senate, Missouri Senate, Virginia Senate, and Wisconsin Senate and Assembly—use desktop publishing programs on personal computers. Table 00-7.26 provides examples of the computer programs used by legislative assemblies to compile their journals.

*How is the journal proofed and corrected?* After the information has been compiled into the proper format, the journal typically is proofed. Who is responsible for proofing the journal? The work is assigned to the journal staff in 76 legislative bodies or to the clerk or secretary in 44 chambers (see table 00-7.27). The Georgia House, Idaho Senate, Illinois House, and South Dakota Senate and House give this responsibility to a journal committee. In 57 chambers, the journal from the preceding day is presented to the membership for approval each day (see table 00-7.28).

The responsibility for correcting errors in the journal may lie with various individuals or groups. Most often, the clerk or the journal staff performs this task (see table 00-7.29). In 22 chambers, the membership of the body may correct the journal. Edits are made by the presiding officer or a journal committee in four legislative assemblies.

*How is it published?* The formats in which a journal may be published vary; they may be preliminary or permanent, printed or electronic. Table 00-7.30 illustrates the publication formats used by legislative assemblies. For example, only 10 chambers—Alabama Senate, Florida Senate and House, Idaho Senate and House, Montana Senate and House, North Dakota Senate and House, and Tennessee House—produce their journals on CD-Rom. On the other hand, 90 chambers publish a printed, permanent journal.

The frequency of journal publication also varies among legislative bodies. Fifty-five chambers print a preliminary journal each day. In 72 chambers, the permanent journal is not produced until after the legislative session ends. Tables 00-7.31 and 00-7.32 show how often the various types of journals are produced by senates and houses, respectively.

Legislative journals contain a large amount of information. As a result, finding specific information may be difficult. To make it easier to locate data, legislatures often create indexes to their journals. This occurs most frequently for the printed permanent journal—in 81 chambers. The other types of journals are much less likely to be indexed. The printed preliminary, Intranet, Internet and CD-Rom versions of the journal are indexed by 16, 13, 16 and four chambers, respectively (see table 00-7.33). Some legislatures have included a "search" capability for the electronic versions of their journals (see table 00-7.34).

The information contained in legislative journals may be categorized in an infinite number of ways. The common index categories, however, are bill author, bill number, subject, committee, code or statute section and governor's action. Tables 00-7.35 and 00-7.36 illustrate the categories by which the printed permanent and Internet versions of the journal are indexed.

Journal indexes most frequently are created by computer program (see table 00-7.37). The indexing program is run on a personal computer in 39 chambers and on a main frame computer in 24 legislative bodies. Table 00-7.38 provides examples of the computer programs used to index the journals. The journal index is generated manually in 33 chambers.

As noted above, most legislatures produced journals in a paper format. But who is responsible for the printing? Private contractors print the journals in 52 chambers. Seventeen chambers use the state printer. In 16 legislative bodies, the journal is printed by a joint legislative print shop. A senate or house print shop is responsible in 10 chambers (see table 00-7.39).

**Other verbatim transcripts.** Most legislative chambers generally do not produce verbatim transcripts of floor action. As previously noted, only four legislative assemblies produce verbatim journals. Nine chambers, however, produce another official document that is verbatim transcript of floor actions.

Connecticut Senate and House	Nebraska Senate
Illinois Senate and House	New York Assembly
Maine Senate and House	Utah Senate

Another 16 chambers produce verbatim transcripts of floor action at the request of selected individuals (see table 00-7.40).

**Roll-call votes.** Roll-call votes are found in the journals of 86 legislative bodies. Almost all chambers also make roll-call votes available elsewhere. Only five legislative assemblies—Colorado Senate, Hawaii House, Massachusetts Senate, Michigan House and Ohio House—indicated that roll-call votes were not available separately (see table 00-7.41).

Table 00-7.42 illustrates from where separate roll-call votes are available. Roll-call votes may be obtained from the clerk or secretary in 78 chambers. Thirty-six legislative assemblies make roll-call votes available on the Internet through their bill history/status systems, and 31 legislative bodies publish roll-call votes on their bill history/status systems on an Intranet.

**Member voting records.** Fifty-six chambers do not compile the voting records of members (see table 00-7.43). In 36 chambers, however, member voting records are compiled. Most often, the compilations are done by computer program (see tables 00-7.44 and 00-7.45). In the Maine Senate, Vermont Senate, Washington Senate and District of Columbia Council, the records are compiled manually.

To whom are the voting records available? In 25 chambers, legislator voting records are made available to the public. In 17 legislative bodies, a member may receive his or her own record. Other people who have access to voting records are illustrated in table 00-7.46. In the Connecticut Senate and House, one complete set that contains the records for all legislators is given to each caucus.

The voting record typically is provided as a simple printed listing (see table 00-7.47). Five chambers—Nevada Senate and Assembly, Oregon House, Vermont Senate and Washington House—produce a published book or pamphlet. Voting records for members of the Arizona House, California Assembly, Oregon House, Utah House and Washington House are available on the Internet.

**Table 00-7.20 The Journal Is the Official Record****In the following chambers, the journal is the official record of legislative proceedings.**

Alabama Senate	Montana Senate and House
Alaska Senate and House	Nebraska Senate
Arizona Senate and House	Nevada Senate and Assembly
Arkansas Senate and House	New Hampshire Senate and House
California Senate and Assembly	New Mexico Senate and House
Colorado Senate and House	New York Assembly
Connecticut Senate and House	North Carolina Senate and House
Delaware House	North Dakota Senate and House
Florida Senate and House	Ohio Senate and House
Georgia Senate and House	Oklahoma Senate and House
Hawaii Senate and House	Oregon Senate and House
Idaho Senate and House	Pennsylvania Senate and House
Illinois Senate and House	Rhode Island House
Indiana Senate and House	South Carolina Senate and House
Iowa Senate and House	South Dakota Senate and House
Kansas Senate and House	Tennessee Senate
Kentucky Senate and House	Texas Senate and House
Louisiana Senate and House	Utah Senate and House
Maine Senate and House	Vermont Senate
Maryland Senate and House	Virginia Senate and House
Massachusetts Senate and House	Washington Senate and House
Michigan Senate and House	West Virginia Senate and House
Minnesota Senate and House	Wisconsin Senate and Assembly
Mississippi House	Wyoming Senate and House
Missouri Senate and House	

**In the following chamber, the journal is not the official record of legislative proceedings.**

Tennessee House

**The following chamber does not produce a journal.**

District of Columbia Council

**Table 00-7.21 Verbatim Journal****In the following chambers, the journal is a verbatim transcript of legislative proceedings.**

Alabama Senate	Pennsylvania Senate
New Hampshire Senate	South Carolina House

**In the following chambers, the journal is not a verbatim transcript.**

Alaska Senate and House	Montana Senate and House
Arizona Senate and House	Nebraska Senate
Arkansas Senate and House	Nevada Senate and Assembly
California Senate and Assembly	New Hampshire Senate and House
Colorado Senate and House	New Mexico Senate and House
Connecticut Senate and House	New York Assembly
Delaware House	North Carolina Senate and House
Florida Senate and House	North Dakota Senate and House
Georgia Senate and House	Ohio Senate and House
Hawaii Senate and House	Oklahoma Senate and House
Idaho Senate and House	Oregon Senate and House
Illinois Senate and House	Pennsylvania House
Indiana Senate and House	Rhode Island House
Iowa Senate and House	South Carolina Senate
Kansas Senate and House	South Dakota Senate and House
Kentucky Senate and House	Tennessee Senate and House
Louisiana Senate and House	Texas Senate and House
Maine Senate and House	Utah Senate and House
Maryland Senate and House	Vermont Senate
Massachusetts Senate and House	Virginia Senate and House
Michigan Senate and House	Washington Senate and House
Minnesota Senate and House	West Virginia Senate and House
Mississippi House	Wisconsin Senate and Assembly
Missouri Senate and House	Wyoming Senate and House

Table 00-7.22 Items Included in the Journal—Part 1

State (1)	Quorum count	Opening prayer	Text of bills, etc.	Bill introductions	Bill referrals	Creation of committees	Committee reports	Conference committee reports	Text of amendments	Text of substitutes
Alabama										
Alaska	B	B		B	B	B	B	B	B	
Arizona	B	B		B	B	B	B	B		
Arkansas	B	S	S	B	B	B	B	B	B	
California	B	B		S	S	B	B	S		
Colorado	B		B	B	B	B	B	B	B	
Connecticut		B	B	B	B		B	B	B	
Delaware	H			H	H	H	H			
Florida	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
Georgia	S	B	H	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
Hawaii	B			B	B	B	B	B	B	
Idaho	B	S	S	B	B	B	B	B	B	
Illinois	H	H	S	B	B	B	B	B	B	H
Indiana	B		B	B	B	B	B	B	B	H
Iowa	B	H		B	B	S	B	B	B	
Kansas	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	
Kentucky	B	S	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
Louisiana	B	H	B	B	B	S	B	B	B	S
Maine	S			H	B	B	B	B		
Maryland	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
Massachusetts	H	B		B	B	B	B	B	B	S
Michigan	B	B	S	B	B	B	B	B	B	S
Minnesota	B			B	B	B	B	B	B	H
Mississippi	H	H		H	H	H	H	H	H	H
Missouri	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	
Montana	B		B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B

**Table 00-7.22 Items Included in the Journal—Part 1, cont'd.**

<b>State (1)</b>	<b>Quorum count</b>	<b>Opening prayer</b>	<b>Text of bills, etc.</b>	<b>Bill introductions</b>	<b>Bill referrals</b>	<b>Creation of committees</b>	<b>Committee reports</b>	<b>Conference committee reports</b>	<b>Text of amendments</b>	<b>Text of substitutes</b>
Nebraska	S		S	S	S	S	S		S	S
Nevada	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
New Hampshire		H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	
New Jersey										
New Mexico	B	S		B	B	B	B	B	S	
New York	H		H	H	H	H	H	H		
North Carolina	H	B	S	B	B	B	B	B		
North Dakota	B			B	B	B	B	B	B	
Ohio		S	S	B	B	B	B	B	B	
Oklahoma	S			H	B	H	H	H	B	S
Oregon	B			B	B	B	B	B		
Pennsylvania		H		H	H	H	H	H	H	
Rhode Island	H	H		H	H	H	H		H	
South Carolina	S	S		S	S	S	S	S	S	
South Dakota	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
Tennessee	B	S		B	B	B	B	B	B	
Texas	B	B		S	B	B	S	B	B	S
Utah	S	B		B	B	B	B	B	B	
Vermont				S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Virginia	B	B		B	B	B	B	B	B	
Washington	S		H	B	B	S	B	B	B	
West Virginia	B		S	B	B	B	B	B	B	
Wisconsin	B			B	B	B	B	B		
Wyoming				B	B		B	B	B	
District of Columbia										

**Table 00-7.22 Items Included in the Journal—Part 1, cont'd.**

## Key:

S=Senate

H=House or Assembly

B=Both chambers

## Note:

1. The following chambers did not return a survey: Alabama House, Delaware Senate, Mississippi Senate, New Jersey Senate and General Assembly, New York Senate, Rhode Island Senate, Vermont House, American Samoa Senate and House, Guam Senate, Northern Mariana Islands Senate and House, Puerto Rico Senate and House, and Virgin Islands Senate.



**Table 00-7.23 Items Included in the Journal—Part 2**

State (1)	Motions	Points of order	Points of parliamentary inquiry	Points of personal privilege	Rulings of the chair	Appeals of rulings of the chair	Outcome of all roll-call votes	Roll-call votes	Voice votes	Votes by division
Alabama							B	B		
Alaska	B	B			B	B				
Arizona	B	H	H	B	H	H	B	B	B	B
Arkansas	B	S	S	S	S	S	B	B	B	S
California	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	
Colorado	B					H		B	B	S
Connecticut	B	B			B	B	B	B	B	B
Delaware	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H
Florida	B	B	B	S	B	B	B	B	H	B
Georgia	B	B	H	H	B	B	B	B	B	H
Hawaii	B	H	H	B	B	B	B	B	H	H
Idaho	B				S	S	B	B	B	B
Illinois	B		B		B	B	B	B		
Indiana	B	B	S		B	B	B	B	B	B
Iowa	B	B	B		B	H	B	B	B	B
Kansas	B	H	H	S	B	B	B	B		
Kentucky	B	S	S		S	S	B	B	B	S
Louisiana	B	B	S	S	B	B	B	B		S
Maine	B	S	B	S	B	B	B	S		B
Maryland	B	B	B		B	B	B	B		
Massachusetts	B	B		S	B	B	B	B	B	H
Michigan	B	B	H		B	B	B	B	S	S
Minnesota	B	B			B	B	B	B	B	
Mississippi	H	H			H	H	H	H	H	H
Missouri	B	B	H		H	H	B	B		S
Montana	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	

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Nebraska	S	S	S		S	S	S	S	S	S
Nevada	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
New Hampshire	H	H				H	H	H	H	H
New Jersey										
New Mexico	B	H	H	H	B	B	B	B	B	
New York	H	H			H	H	H	H	H	
North Carolina	B	B	B	B	B	B	S	B	B	B
North Dakota	B	B	B	B		B	B	B	B	B
Ohio	B	B	S		B	B	B	B		S
Oklahoma	B	B	B	S	B	B	B	B	S	S
Oregon	B	B	B	S	B	B	B	B	B	B
Pennsylvania	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	
Rhode Island	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H
South Carolina	S	S	S		S	S	S	S		
South Dakota	B						B	B	B	B
Tennessee	B	B	S		B	B	B	B	B	S
Texas	B	B	B	B	H	H	B	B	S	
Utah	B						B	B	S	
Vermont	S	S			S	S	S	S	S	S
Virginia	B	B	B		B	B	B	B	S	
Washington	B	B	B	B	B	S	B	B	S	B
West Virginia	B	B	B	B	B	B	H	B	S	B
Wisconsin	B	B			B	B	B	B	B	B
Wyoming							B	B		
District of Columbia										

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## Note:

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Table 00-7.24 Items Included in the Journal—Part 3

State (1)	Vote explanations or statements	Legislator speeches	Legislator protests or dissents	Messages/communications from the other chamber	Legislative appointments	Gubernatorial appointments	Bills signed by the governor	Veto messages	Other messages from the governor	Official state communications	Other
Alabama				B	B	B	B	B	B	B	
Alaska				B	B		B	B	B	B	
Arizona	B	B	B	B	B	S	B	B	B		
Arkansas	S		S	B	S	S	B	B	B	S	2
California	S			B	B	S	S	B	S		3
Colorado		B		B	B	S	B	B	B	B	
Connecticut				B	B	B	B	B	B		
Delaware				H	H		H	H	H	H	
Florida	B	B	S	B	S	S	B	B	B	S	
Georgia	B		H	B	H	S		B	H	B	4
Hawaii		B	H	B	B	S	B	B	H	H	5
Idaho				B	S	S	B	B	B	S	6
Illinois			S	B	H	S		B	B		7
Indiana			H	B	B		B	B	B		8
Iowa	B	H	H	B	B	S	B	B	B	S	9
Kansas	B		B	B	S	S	B	B	B	B	
Kentucky				B	H		H	B	B		
Louisiana				B	S	S		B	B		10
Maine				B	B	S		B	B	B	11
Maryland				B	B	B		B	B		
Massachusetts	S	S	B	B	B			B	B	H	12
Michigan	B	S	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	13
Minnesota			H	B		S	B	B			14
Mississippi	H			H	H		H	H	H		15
Missouri		B	S	B	S	S	B	B	B		
Montana		B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B		16

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Nebraska	S				S	S	S	S	S	S	
Nevada	B	B	B	B	S			B	B	B	17
New Hampshire		H	H	H				H	H		18
New Jersey											
New Mexico				H	H	S	S	B	B		19
New York				H	H		H	H	H		
North Carolina	S	S	H	B	H	B	B	B	S		20
North Dakota				B	B			B			
Ohio	S		S	B	B	S		H			21
Oklahoma	B		S	B	B		B	B	B	S	
Oregon	B			B	B	S	B	B	B		22
Pennsylvania	H	H	H	H	H		H	H			
Rhode Island				H	H		H	H			
South Carolina	S	S		S	S	S		S	S		
South Dakota	B		B	B	B	B	B	B	B		23
Tennessee	B	B	S	B	B		B	B	B		
Texas	B	B		B	S	S	S	B	B		
Utah	H	S		B		S	B	S	S	S	
Vermont	S			S	S	S	S	S	S		
Virginia	B		S	B		B	H	B	H		
Washington	B	B		B	B	S	B	B	B	B	24
West Virginia	B	B		B	B	S	B	B	B	S	25
Wisconsin				B	B	S	B	B	B		26
Wyoming						S	B				
District of Columbia											

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2. Arkansas: The House also includes letters from members that explain votes or potential conflicts of interest.
3. California: The Senate also includes letters transmitted from state agencies and legislative opinions, if ordered.
4. Georgia: The House also includes oaths of members and officers, second reading of bills and resolutions, the rules calendar, and the daily order of business.
5. Hawaii: The House also includes the rules of the House, introductions of visitors and floor presentations.
6. Idaho: The Senate also includes printing contracts, Fish and Game Commission appointments, Idaho State Bar appointments to the Judicial Council, and Pardons and Parole appointments.
7. Illinois: The Senate also includes any reports required by statute that are received and senatorial resignations and replacements.
8. Indiana: The House also includes a summary of pardons and paroles from the governor and House financial summaries.
9. Iowa: The Senate also includes the receipt of annual reports; leaves of absence; subcommittee reports; the secretary's report of corrections to engrossed and enrolled bills; certificates of recognition; presentations of visitors; House rules; joint rules; salary resolution; assignment of seats in the press gallery; certificates of elections; and appointment of employees, officers and pages.
10. Louisiana: The House also includes the certification of election results for House districts and petitions, memorials and official communications from other states.
11. Maine: The Senate also includes Senate orders, joint orders and communications from heads of departments.
12. Massachusetts: The House also includes collective bargaining agreements.
13. Michigan: The Senate also includes agency rules and regulations, attendance of members, out-of-state travel by members, committee meeting notices and announcements by members if requested.
14. Minnesota: The Senate also includes members who are excused from session.

**Table 00-7.24 Items Included in the Journal—Part 3, cont'd.**

15. Mississippi: The House also includes the House rules and biographical information on members.
16. Montana: The Senate and House also include oaths of office, the text of amendments to the legislative rules and election of officers.
17. Nevada: The Senate also includes joint session speeches, legal opinions, introductions of guests, and conflict of interest or disclosure statements. The Assembly also includes joint session speeches, legal opinions, introductions of guests, disclosure statements, letters of intent on measures, Assembly rules, joint rules, elected officers, and members and staff of the Assembly.
18. New Hampshire: The House also includes certification of election of members from the secretary of state and letters of resignation of members.
19. New Mexico: The Senate also includes consent requested for members' absences and abstentions from voting.
20. North Carolina: The Senate also includes courtesies offered by the presiding officer and joint sessions. The House also includes requests for excused votes, speeches by invited guests, elections and actions taken during joint sessions.
21. Ohio: The Senate and House also include collective bargaining agreements.
22. Oregon: The Senate also includes the secretary of state's certification of election noted with credentials report.
23. South Dakota: The Senate and House also include the state of the judiciary message from the chief justice.
24. Washington: The Senate also includes a roster of Senate members.
25. West Virginia: The Senate also includes reports that are required by the Legislature from state departments, agencies, boards and commissions.
26. Wisconsin: The Senate and Assembly include agency rules and regulations and reports requested by the Legislature, such as audits and agency reports.

Table 00-7.25 Journal Compilation

State (1)	By manual, cut-and-paste method	By word processing program on a personal computer	By desktop publishing program on a personal computer	By word processing program on a main frame computer	By desktop publishing program on a main frame computer	Other
Alabama	S	S	S			
Alaska		B				
Arizona						2
Arkansas		H		S		
California	H		S			
Colorado		B				
Connecticut		B				
Delaware				H		
Florida				H	S	
Georgia	H	S		H		
Hawaii		B				
Idaho		S				3
Illinois				S		4
Indiana		B				
Iowa		S			H	
Kansas		B				
Kentucky		S		H		
Louisiana		H		S		
Maine		B				
Maryland		B				
Massachusetts				H		5
Michigan		S		S		
Minnesota	S	H				
Mississippi						6
Missouri		H	S			
Montana		B				



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Nebraska		S				
Nevada		H				7
New Hampshire		B				
New Jersey						
New Mexico		B				
New York				H		
North Carolina		B				
North Dakota					B	
Ohio	B					
Oklahoma		B				
Oregon				S		8
Pennsylvania		S		H		9
Rhode Island	H					
South Carolina		S		H		10
South Dakota		B				
Tennessee		B				
Texas				S		11
Utah		B				
Vermont				S		
Virginia		H	S			
Washington		H		S		
West Virginia		H		S		
Wisconsin			B			
Wyoming		B				
District of Columbia						

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2. Arizona: In the Senate and House, the journal is compiled through a desktop computer program developed by Legislative Computer Services. The program gathers and compiles information into document form, which is manually edited and formatted into the final version.
3. Idaho: In the Senate, the journal is compiled on a main frame computer, using an IRC Legislative Management System and an Oracle database.
4. Illinois: In the House, the journal is compiled through an application process on personal computers that are hooked into the network.
5. Massachusetts: In the Senate, a combination of main frame programs and programs or applications for the personal computer is used to create the journal.
6. Mississippi: In the House, the journal is compiled through a computer program on personal computers that are on a local area network.
7. Nevada: In the Senate and Assembly, the journal is compiled through a word processing program on a personal computer that is linked to interface with database information on a network server.
8. Oregon: In the House, the appropriate data is retrieved from a main frame database and then downloaded into a word processing program on a personal computer.
9. Pennsylvania: In the Senate, a verbatim transcript is taken by a court reporter using a stenotype machine. The data is transcribed instantly and sent by modem to a personal computer in the journal office and to the video room in order to close-caption the video of proceedings. The debate is proofed with court reporting software, then exported to Word Perfect. Bill short titles, amendments, roll-calls, etc. are inserted at appropriate locations. It is proofed again by the chief reporter and a journal clerk.
10. South Carolina: The House uses an Oracle database, which is incorporated into a Microsoft Word document on a personal computer network.
11. Texas: In the House, the journal is compiled through a customized client server application that uses a combination of main frame data and data stored on the server and other external sources.

**Table 00-7.26 Computer Programs Used to Compile the Journal**

<b>State</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>House or Assembly</b>
Alabama	Framemaker	
Alaska	Microsoft Word; an in-house program	Microsoft Word; an in-house program
Arizona	An in-house program	An in-house program
Arkansas	Microsoft Word	Microsoft Word; an in-house program
California	Quicksilver	
Colorado	Word Perfect	Word Perfect
Connecticut	Microsoft Word	Microsoft Word
Delaware		Lotus Notes; Microsoft Word
Florida	Integrated Text Management System	Integrated Text Management System; Versacomp
Georgia	IRC Legislative Management System	SGML
Hawaii	Microsoft Word	Microsoft Word
Idaho	Word Perfect	IRC Legislative Management System; Oracle database
Illinois	Text programs	
Indiana	Word Perfect	Word Perfect
Iowa	Microsoft Word; an in-house program	Microsoft Word
Kansas	Word Perfect; Text DBMS	Word Perfect
Kentucky	An in-house program	An in-house program
Louisiana	Word Perfect	Word Perfect
Maine	LawMaker; Microsoft Word	
Maryland		
Massachusetts	Text DBMS	Text DBMS
Michigan	Word Perfect	An in-house program
Minnesota		Word Perfect; Microsoft Word
Mississippi		Microsoft Word; FoxPro
Missouri	An in-house program	Word Perfect
Montana	Word Perfect	Word Perfect
Nebraska	Microsoft Word	
Nevada	Microsoft Word; an in-house program	Microsoft Word; an in-house program
New Hampshire	Microsoft Word	An in-house program
New Jersey		
New Mexico		Word Perfect 8
New York		A vax system
North Carolina	An in-house program	Microsoft Word
North Dakota	An in-house program	An in-house program

**Table 00-7.26 Computer Programs Used to Compile the Journal, cont'd.**

<b>State</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>House or Assembly</b>
Ohio		
Oklahoma	PSA program	Microsoft Word
Oregon	IBM display write 370	Microsoft Word; an in-house program
Pennsylvania	Case Catalyst; Word Perfect	
Rhode Island		
South Carolina	Microsoft Word	Microsoft Word ; Oracle database
South Dakota	Word Perfect	Word Perfect
Tennessee	X-Linc	Microsoft Word; an in-house program
Texas	Text DBSM; PageMaker; Word Perfect	An in-house program
Utah	Interleaf	Word Perfect; Interleaf
Vermont	Microsoft Word	
Virginia	Framemaker	Microsoft Word
Washington	Word Perfect	IRC legislative management system
West Virginia	Word Perfect; PSA program	Word Perfect
Wisconsin	Interleaf; Oracle database; Documentum	Quicksilver; Oracle database; Documentum
Wyoming		
District of Columbia		

**Table 00-7.27 Journal Proofing**

State (1)	Chief clerk or secretary	House or Senate journal clerk or staff	Journal committee	Other
Alabama	S	S		
Alaska	B			
Arizona	B	B		
Arkansas	B	S		
California	H	B		
Colorado	B	B		
Connecticut	B	B		
Delaware	H			
Florida		B		
Georgia		B	H	
Hawaii	B	H		2
Idaho	B	B	S	
Illinois		B	H	
Indiana		B		3
Iowa		B		
Kansas		B		
Kentucky	S	H		
Louisiana		B		
Maine	S	B		
Maryland		B		
Massachusetts	H	B		
Michigan		B		4
Minnesota	S	B		
Mississippi		H		
Missouri	S	H		5
Montana		B		6

**Table 00-7.27 Journal Proofing, cont'd.**

<b>State (1)</b>	<b>Chief clerk or secretary</b>	<b>House or Senate journal clerk or staff</b>	<b>Journal committee</b>	<b>Other</b>
Nebraska	S	S		
Nevada	B	B		
New Hampshire	B	H		7
New Jersey				
New Mexico		B		8
New York	H			
North Carolina	B	B		
North Dakota		B		
Ohio	B	B		
Oklahoma	S	H		
Oregon	B	B		
Pennsylvania		B		
Rhode Island		H		
South Carolina	B	H		9
South Dakota			B	
Tennessee	B	B		
Texas		B		
Utah	H	B		
Vermont	S	S		
Virginia	S	B		
Washington		B		10
West Virginia	H	B		
Wisconsin		B		
Wyoming				11
District of Columbia				

**Table 00-7.27 Journal Proofing, cont'd.**

## Key:

- S=Senate
- H=House or Assembly
- B=Both chambers

## Notes:

1. The following chambers did not return a survey: Alabama House, Delaware Senate, Mississippi Senate, New Jersey Senate and General Assembly, New York Senate, Rhode Island Senate, Vermont House, American Samoa Senate and House, Guam Senate, Northern Mariana Islands Senate and House, Puerto Rico Senate and House, and Virgin Islands Senate.
2. Hawaii: In the House, this responsibility also is given to the members of the body.
3. Indiana: In the Senate, the proofreading office also is responsible.
4. Michigan: In the Senate, other session clerks also have this responsibility.
5. Missouri: In the House, the assistant chief clerk and the House Publications Office also share this responsibility.
6. Montana: In the Senate, this responsibility also is given to the members of the body.
7. New Hampshire: In the Senate this responsibility also is given to the members of the body.
8. New Mexico: In the Senate, this responsibility also is given to another legislative committee.
9. South Carolina: In the House, the proofreaders also share this responsibility.
10. Washington: In the House, the speaker's attorney also shares this responsibility.
11. Wyoming: The revisor's office has this responsibility for both Senate and House.

**Table 00-7.28 Journal Is Approved Each Day**

**In the following chambers, the journal from the preceding day is corrected and approved each day of session.**

Alabama Senate	Missouri Senate and House
Alaska Senate and House	Montana Senate and House
Arizona Senate	Nebraska Senate
California Assembly	Nevada Senate and Assembly
Colorado Senate and House	New Hampshire Senate
Florida Senate and House	New Mexico Senate
Georgia Senate and House	New York Assembly
Hawaii Senate	North Carolina Senate and House
Idaho Senate and House	North Dakota Senate and House
Iowa Senate and House	Ohio Senate and House
Kansas Senate	Oklahoma House
Kentucky Senate and House	Pennsylvania Senate
Louisiana Senate and House	Rhode Island House
Maine Senate and House	South Carolina House
Maryland Senate and House	South Dakota Senate and House
Massachusetts Senate and House	Utah Senate
Michigan House	West Virginia Senate and House
Minnesota Senate and House	Wyoming Senate and House

**In the following chambers, the journal from the preceding day is not corrected and approved each day of session.**

Arizona House	New Mexico House
Arkansas Senate and House	Oklahoma Senate
California Senate	Oregon Senate and House
Connecticut Senate and House	Pennsylvania House
Delaware House	South Carolina Senate
Hawaii House	Tennessee Senate and House
Illinois House	Texas Senate and House
Indiana Senate and House	Utah House
Kansas House	Vermont Senate
Michigan Senate	Virginia Senate and House
Mississippi House	Washington Senate and House
New Hampshire House	Wisconsin Senate and Assembly



**Table 00-7.29 Journal Corrections**

<b>State (1)</b>	<b>By the body</b>	<b>By the presiding officer</b>	<b>By the journal committee</b>	<b>By the clerk or secretary</b>	<b>By the journal staff</b>	<b>Other</b>
Alabama	S					
Alaska				B		
Arizona	S			S		
Arkansas						
California	B				S	
Colorado				B	S	
Connecticut						
Delaware						
Florida	H				S	
Georgia			H		S	
Hawaii		S				
Idaho			S	B	S	
Illinois					S	
Indiana						
Iowa	B					
Kansas	S			S	S	
Kentucky				S	B	
Louisiana	H			H	S	
Maine	H			S	S	
Maryland					B	
Massachusetts				H	B	
Michigan					H	
Minnesota	H			B	B	
Mississippi						
Missouri	B				H	
Montana		B				

**Table 00-7.29 Journal Corrections, cont'd.**

<b>State (1)</b>	<b>By the body</b>	<b>By the presiding officer</b>	<b>By the journal committee</b>	<b>By the clerk or secretary</b>	<b>By the journal staff</b>	<b>Other</b>
Nebraska	S			S	S	
Nevada		S		B		
New Hampshire					S	
New Jersey						
New Mexico						2
New York				H		
North Carolina				H		
North Dakota	B					
Ohio				B	B	
Oklahoma	H				H	
Oregon						
Pennsylvania	S					
Rhode Island				H		
South Carolina					H	3
South Dakota			B			
Tennessee						
Texas						
Utah					S	
Vermont						
Virginia						
Washington						
West Virginia	B				S	
Wisconsin						
Wyoming	B					
District of Columbia						

**Table 00-7.29 Journal Corrections, cont'd.**

## Key:

S=Senate

H=House or Assembly

B=Both chambers

## Notes:

1. The following chambers did not return a survey: Alabama House, Delaware Senate, Mississippi Senate, New Jersey Senate and General Assembly, New York Senate, Rhode Island Senate, Vermont House, American Samoa Senate and House, Guam Senate, Northern Mariana Islands Senate and House, Puerto Rico Senate and House, and Virgin Islands Senate.
2. New Mexico: In the Senate, the Judiciary Committee corrects the journal.
3. South Carolina: In the House, the proofreaders also make corrections to the journal.

**Table 00-7.30 Publication Formats**

<b>State (1)</b>	<b>Printed preliminary copy</b>	<b>Printed permanent copy</b>	<b>Electronic version on an Intranet</b>	<b>Electronic version on the Internet</b>	<b>CD-Rom</b>
Alabama	S	S			S
Alaska	B	B		B	
Arizona	S	B		S	
Arkansas		B			
California		B	H	H	
Colorado	B	B	B	B	
Connecticut	B	B	B	B	
Delaware	H	H		H	
Florida	B	B	B	B	B
Georgia	B	B	S	S	
Hawaii	H	B			
Idaho	B	B	S	B	B
Illinois	B	B		H	
Indiana	S	B	H	H	
Iowa	B	B	B	B	
Kansas	B	B	S	B	
Kentucky		B			
Louisiana	B	B	S	H	
Maine		B			
Maryland		B			
Massachusetts	B	B		S	
Michigan	B	B	B	B	
Minnesota	B	B	B	B	
Mississippi	H	H			
Missouri		B		H	
Montana	B	B		B	B

**Table 00-7.30 Publication Formats, cont'd.**

<b>State (1)</b>	<b>Printed preliminary copy</b>	<b>Printed permanent copy</b>	<b>Electronic version on an Intranet</b>	<b>Electronic version on the Internet</b>	<b>CD-Rom</b>
Nebraska	S	S	S	S	
Nevada	B	B			
New Hampshire	B	B	B	B	
New Jersey					
New Mexico		B			
New York		H			
North Carolina		B			
North Dakota		B	B	B	B
Ohio	B	B			
Oklahoma	B	B	S	B	
Oregon	H	B			
Pennsylvania		B			
Rhode Island	H	H	H	H	
South Carolina	B	B	B	B	
South Dakota	B	B	B	B	
Tennessee	S	B	B	S	H
Texas	B	B	B	B	
Utah	B	B	S	S	
Vermont	S	S	S	S	
Virginia		B			
Washington		B	S		
West Virginia	B	B	H		
Wisconsin	B	B	B	B	
Wyoming		S			
District of Columbia					

**Table 00-7.30 Publication Formats, cont'd.**

## Key:

S=Senate

H=House or Assembly

B=Both chambers

## Note:

1. The following chambers did not return a survey: Alabama House, Delaware Senate, Mississippi Senate, New Jersey Senate and General Assembly, New York Senate, Rhode Island Senate, Vermont House, American Samoa Senate and House, Guam Senate, Northern Mariana Islands Senate and House, Puerto Rico Senate and House, and Virgin Islands Senate.

**Table 00-7.31 How Often the Journal Is Published—Senate**

<b>State (1)</b>	<b>Printed preliminary copy</b>	<b>Printed permanent copy</b>	<b>Electronic version on an Intranet</b>	<b>Electronic version on the Internet</b>	<b>CD-Rom</b>
Alabama		AS			AS
Alaska	D	AS		D	
Arizona	D	AS		D	
Arkansas		AS			
California		D			
Colorado	D	D	D	D	
Connecticut	D	AS	D	D	
Delaware					
Florida	D	AS	D, AS	D, AS	
Georgia	D	AS	AS	AS	
Hawaii	D	AS			
Idaho	D	AS	D	D	AS
Illinois	D	2			
Indiana	D	AS			
Iowa	D	AS	D	D	
Kansas	D	AS	D	D	
Kentucky		AS			
Louisiana	D	AS	D	D	
Maine		AS			
Maryland		AS			
Massachusetts	D	3		D	
Michigan	D	AS	D	D	
Minnesota	D	AS	D	D	
Mississippi					
Missouri		D			
Montana	D	D		D	AS

**Table 00-7.31 How Often the Journal Is Published—Senate, cont'd.**

<b>State (1)</b>	<b>Printed preliminary copy</b>	<b>Printed permanent copy</b>	<b>Electronic version on an Intranet</b>	<b>Electronic version on the Internet</b>	<b>CD-Rom</b>
Nebraska	D	AS	D	D	
Nevada	D	AS			
New Hampshire	D	AS	D	D	
New Jersey					
New Mexico		AS			
New York					
North Carolina		AS			
North Dakota		D	D	D	AS
Ohio	D	AS			
Oklahoma	D	AS	D	D	
Oregon		AS			
Pennsylvania		D			
Rhode Island					
South Carolina	D	AS	D, AS	D, AS	
South Dakota	D	AS	D	D	
Tennessee	W	AS	D	D	
Texas	D	AS	D	D	
Utah	D	AS	D	D	
Vermont	D	AS	D	D	
Virginia		AS			
Washington		AS	AS		
West Virginia	D	AS			
Wisconsin	D	4	D	D	
Wyoming		AS			
District of Columbia					



**Table 00-7.31 How Often the Journal Is Published—Senate, cont'd.**

## Key:

D=Daily  
AS=After session  
W=Weekly

## Notes:

1. The following chambers did not return a survey: Alabama House, Delaware Senate, Mississippi Senate, New Jersey Senate and General Assembly, New York Senate, Rhode Island Senate, Vermont House, American Samoa Senate and House, Guam Senate, Northern Mariana Islands Senate and House, Puerto Rico Senate and House, and Virgin Islands Senate.
2. Illinois: In the Senate, the printed permanent journal is printed yearly.
3. Massachusetts: In the Senate, after the preliminary journal is proofed, the journal is printed in official form.
4. Wisconsin: In the Senate, the permanent journal is printed every two years.

**Table 00-7.32 How Often the Journal Is Published—House**

<b>State (1)</b>	<b>Printed preliminary copy</b>	<b>Printed permanent copy</b>	<b>Electronic version on an Intranet</b>	<b>Electronic version on the Internet</b>	<b>CD-Rom</b>
Alabama					
Alaska	D	AS		D	
Arizona		AS			
Arkansas		AS			
California		D	D	D	
Colorado	D	AS	D	D	
Connecticut	D	AS	D	D	
Delaware	D	AS			
Florida	D	AS	D	D	AS
Georgia	D	AS			
Hawaii	D	AS			
Idaho	D	AS		D	AS
Illinois	D	AS		W	
Indiana		D, AS		D	
Iowa	D	AS		D, AS	
Kansas	D	AS		D	
Kentucky		AS			
Louisiana	D	AS		D, AS	
Maine					
Maryland		AS			
Massachusetts	D	AS			
Michigan	D	AS	D	D	
Minnesota	D	AS	D, AS	D, AS	
Mississippi	D	AS			
Missouri		D		D	
Montana	D	D		D	AS

**Table 00-7.32 How Often the Journal Is Published—House, cont'd.**

<b>State (1)</b>	<b>Printed preliminary copy</b>	<b>Printed permanent copy</b>	<b>Electronic version on an Intranet</b>	<b>Electronic version on the Internet</b>	<b>CD-Rom</b>
Nebraska					
Nevada	D	AS		D, AS	
New Hampshire	D	AS	D	D	
New Jersey					
New Mexico		AS			
New York		2			
North Carolina		AS			
North Dakota		D	D	D	AS
Ohio	D	AS			
Oklahoma	D	AS		D	
Oregon	D	AS			
Pennsylvania		D			
Rhode Island	D	D	D	D	
South Carolina	D	AS	D	D	
South Dakota	D	AS	D	D	
Tennessee		AS	AS		AS
Texas	D	AS	D	D	
Utah	D		D, AS	D, AS	
Vermont					
Virginia		AS			
Washington		AS			
West Virginia	D	AS	D		
Wisconsin	D	AS	D	D	
Wyoming					
District of Columbia					

**Table 00-7.32 How Often the Journal Is Published—House, cont'd.**

## Key:

- D=Daily
- AS=After session
- W=Weekly
- Other=Other timing

## Notes:

1. The following chambers did not return a survey: Alabama House, Delaware Senate, Mississippi Senate, New Jersey Senate and General Assembly, New York Senate, Rhode Island Senate, Vermont House, American Samoa Senate and House, Guam Senate, Northern Mariana Islands Senate and House, Puerto Rico Senate and House, and Virgin Islands Senate
2. New York: In the Assembly, the printed permanent journal is published annually.

**Table 00-7.33 Publication Formats that Are Indexed**

State (1)	Printed preliminary copy	Printed permanent copy	Electronic version on an Intranet	Electronic version on the Internet	CD-Rom
Alabama		S			
Alaska	H	B			
Arizona		B			
Arkansas		B			
California		B	H	H	
Colorado		B			
Connecticut		B			
Delaware		H			
Florida	B	B	B	B	B
Georgia		B	S	S	
Hawaii		B			
Idaho		B		H	B
Illinois	S	B		H	
Indiana		B			
Iowa	S	B	S	B	
Kansas		B			
Kentucky		B			
Louisiana		H			
Maine		B			
Maryland					
Massachusetts		B			
Michigan	B	B	S	S	
Minnesota	B	B	B	B	
Mississippi		H			
Missouri		B		H	
Montana					

**Table 00-7.33 Publication Formats that Are Indexed, cont'd.**

<b>State (1)</b>	<b>Printed preliminary copy</b>	<b>Printed permanent copy</b>	<b>Electronic version on an Intranet</b>	<b>Electronic version on the Internet</b>	<b>CD-Rom</b>
Nebraska		S			
Nevada		B			
New Hampshire		B			
New Jersey					
New Mexico		B			
New York		H			
North Carolina		B			
North Dakota		B			
Ohio	S	B			
Oklahoma		B			
Oregon					
Pennsylvania		B			
Rhode Island					
South Carolina	H	B	B	B	
South Dakota		B			
Tennessee	S	B			
Texas		B			
Utah	H	B			
Vermont		S			
Virginia		B			
Washington		B	S		
West Virginia	S	B			
Wisconsin	B	B	B	B	
Wyoming					
District of Columbia					

**Table 00-7.33 Publication Formats that Are Indexed, cont'd.**

## Key:

S=Senate

H=House or Assembly

B=Both chambers

## Note:

1. The following chambers did not return a survey: Alabama House, Delaware Senate, Mississippi Senate, New Jersey Senate and General Assembly, New York Senate, Rhode Island Senate, Vermont House, American Samoa Senate and House, Guam Senate, Northern Mariana Islands Senate and House, Puerto Rico Senate and House, and Virgin Islands Senate.

**Table 00-7.34 Electronic Versions of the Journal that Are Searchable****In the following chambers, the Intranet version of the journal is searchable.**

California Assembly	Nebraska Senate
Colorado House	New Hampshire Senate and House
Connecticut Senate and House	Rhode Island House
Florida Senate	South Carolina Senate and House
Georgia Senate	Tennessee House
Indiana House	Texas House
Iowa Senate	Utah House
Kansas Senate	Washington Senate and House
Michigan Senate and House	Wisconsin Senate and Assembly
Minnesota Senate and House	

**In the following chambers, the Internet version of the journal is searchable.**

Alaska Senate and House	Michigan Senate and House
California Assembly	Minnesota Senate and House
Colorado House	Missouri House
Connecticut Senate and House	Nebraska Senate
Delaware House	Nevada Senate and Assembly
Florida Senate	New Hampshire Senate and House
Georgia Senate	Rhode Island House
Illinois House	South Carolina Senate and House
Indiana House	South Dakota Senate and House
Iowa Senate and House	Texas Senate and House
Kansas Senate and House	Utah House
Louisiana House	Wisconsin Senate and Assembly
Massachusetts Senate	

**In the following chambers, the CD-Rom version of the journal is searchable.**

Florida Senate	Montana Senate and House
Idaho Senate and House	Tennessee House



**Table 00-7.35 Index Categories for the Printed Permanent Journal**

<b>State (1)</b>	<b>Bill author</b>	<b>Bill number</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Committee</b>	<b>Code section</b>	<b>Governor's action</b>	<b>Other</b>
Alabama	S	S	S				2
Alaska		B					
Arizona	B	B	B				
Arkansas		B					
California	H	S	H				
Colorado		B					
Connecticut		B	B				
Delaware		H	H				
Florida	B	B	B	B		S	
Georgia		B	B				
Hawaii		B		H			3
Idaho	H	B	B	H			
Illinois	S	B	B	S		S	
Indiana	B	B	B				
Iowa	H	B	S	B		B	
Kansas	B	B	B	S			
Kentucky	B	B	B				
Louisiana		H					4
Maine		B	B				
Maryland							
Massachusetts		B	B				
Michigan	H	H	B	H	H	H	
Minnesota	B	B	B				5
Mississippi	H	H		H			
Missouri	H	B	B			B	
Montana							

**Table 00-7.35 Index Categories for the Printed Permanent Journal, cont'd.**

<b>State (1)</b>	<b>Bill author</b>	<b>Bill number</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Committee</b>	<b>Code section</b>	<b>Governor's action</b>	<b>Other</b>
Nebraska	S	S	S	S	S		
Nevada			B				
New Hampshire		B	B				
New Jersey							
New Mexico		B					
New York		H	H				
North Carolina		B	B		H		6
North Dakota		B	B				7
Ohio	S	B	B	H	B	S	
Oklahoma	B	B	B		S		
Oregon							
Pennsylvania	H		B				
Rhode Island							
South Carolina	B	B	B	B			8
South Dakota	B	B	B	B		B	
Tennessee	B	B					
Texas	B	B	B				
Utah		B	S				
Vermont	S	S	S				
Virginia		B	B		S		
Washington		B	S			S	
West Virginia	B	B	B	S	H	B	
Wisconsin	B	B	B	B	B	B	
Wyoming							
District of Columbia							

**Table 00-7.35 Index Categories for the Printed Permanent Journal, cont'd.**

## Key:

- S=Senate
- H=House or Assembly
- B=Both chambers

## Notes:

1. The following chambers did not return a survey: Alabama House, Delaware Senate, Mississippi Senate, New Jersey Senate and General Assembly, New York Senate, Rhode Island Senate, Vermont House, American Samoa Senate and House, Guam Senate, Northern Mariana Islands Senate and House, Puerto Rico Senate and House, and Virgin Islands Senate.
2. Alabama: In the Senate, the journal also is indexed by act.
3. Hawaii: In the House, the journal also is indexed by reading.
4. Louisiana: In the House, the journal also is indexed by miscellaneous actions, such as rulings of the chair, leaves of absence, rules suspensions, etc.
5. Minnesota: In the Senate, the journal also is indexed by Senate and House file companion numbers and miscellaneous.
6. North Carolina: In the Senate, the journal also is indexed by G-S numbers.
7. North Dakota: In the Senate and House, the journals also are indexed by member.
8. South Carolina: In the Senate, the journal also is indexed by alphabetical subject matter.

**Table 00-7.36 Index Categories for the Internet Journal**

<b>State (1)</b>	<b>Bill author</b>	<b>Bill number</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Committee</b>	<b>Code section</b>	<b>Governor's action</b>	<b>Other</b>
Alabama							
Alaska							
Arizona							
Arkansas							
California	H		H				
Colorado							
Connecticut							
Delaware							
Florida	B	B	B	B		S	
Georgia							
Hawaii							
Idaho							
Illinois							
Indiana							
Iowa							2
Kansas							
Kentucky							
Louisiana							
Maine							
Maryland							
Massachusetts							
Michigan	H	H	H	H	H	H	
Minnesota	B	B	B	H	H	H	3
Mississippi							
Missouri							
Montana							

**Table 00-7.36 Index Categories for the Internet Journal, cont'd.**

<b>State (1)</b>	<b>Bill author</b>	<b>Bill number</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Committee</b>	<b>Code section</b>	<b>Governor's action</b>	<b>Other</b>
Nebraska							
Nevada							
New Hampshire							
New Jersey							
New Mexico							
New York							
North Carolina							
North Dakota							
Ohio							
Oklahoma							
Oregon							
Pennsylvania							
Rhode Island							
South Carolina		H					
South Dakota							
Tennessee							
Texas							
Utah							
Vermont							
Virginia							
Washington							
West Virginia							
Wisconsin	B	B	B	B	B	B	
Wyoming							
District of Columbia							

**Table 00-7.36 Index Categories for the Internet Journal, cont'd.**

## Key:

S=Senate

H=House or Assembly

B=Both chambers

## Notes:

1. The following chambers did not return a survey: Alabama House, Delaware Senate, Mississippi Senate, New Jersey Senate and General Assembly, New York Senate, Rhode Island Senate, Vermont House, American Samoa Senate and House, Guam Senate, Northern Mariana Islands Senate and House, Puerto Rico Senate and House, and Virgin Islands Senate.
2. Iowa: In the Senate, the journal is indexed by date.
3. Minnesota: In the House, the journal also is indexed by House action.

**Table 00-7.37 Method by which the Journal Is Indexed**

<b>State (1)</b>	<b>Manually</b>	<b>Computer program on a personal computer</b>	<b>Computer program on a main frame computer</b>
Alabama	S	S	
Alaska		B	
Arizona		B	
Arkansas	B		
California		B	
Colorado	B		
Connecticut		B	
Delaware	H		
Florida	S	S	B
Georgia		S	H
Hawaii	B		
Idaho	S		B
Illinois			B
Indiana		H	S
Iowa	S	S	B
Kansas			B
Kentucky		S	H
Louisiana	H		
Maine	H	B	
Maryland			
Massachusetts	S		B
Michigan	H	S	
Minnesota	H	B	B
Mississippi		H	
Missouri	H	B	S
Montana			

**Table 00-7.37 Method by which the Journal Is Indexed, cont'd.**

<b>State (1)</b>	<b>Manually</b>	<b>Computer program on a personal computer</b>	<b>Computer program on a main frame computer</b>
Nebraska	S		
Nevada		B	
New Hampshire	B		
New Jersey			
New Mexico		B	
New York			H
North Carolina	S	H	
North Dakota	B		
Ohio			B
Oklahoma		B	
Oregon			
Pennsylvania	S		H
Rhode Island			
South Carolina	H	S	
South Dakota	B	B	
Tennessee	S	H	
Texas			B
Utah		B	
Vermont	S		
Virginia	H	S	
Washington	S	H	
West Virginia	B		
Wisconsin		B	
Wyoming			
District of Columbia			



**Table 00-7.37 Method by which the Journal Is Indexed, cont'd.**

## Key:

S=Senate

H=House or Assembly

B=Both chambers

## Note:

1. The following chambers did not return a survey: Alabama House, Delaware Senate, Mississippi Senate, New Jersey Senate and General Assembly, New York Senate, Rhode Island Senate, Vermont House, American Samoa Senate and House, Guam Senate, Northern Mariana Islands Senate and House, Puerto Rico Senate and House, and Virgin Islands Senate.

**Table 00-7.38 Computer Programs Used to Index the Journal**

<b>State</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>House or Assembly</b>
Alabama	Framemaker	
Alaska	An in-house program	An in-house program
Arizona	An in-house program	An in-house program
Arkansas		
California	An in-house program	Interleaf
Colorado	Word Perfect	
Connecticut	An in-house program	An in-house program
Delaware		
Florida	Integrated Text Management System	Integrated Text Management System
Georgia	IRC Legislative Management System	DR Markup
Hawaii		
Idaho	Word Perfect	IRC legislative management system; Oracle database
Illinois	Text programs	Text DBMS
Indiana	FoxPro	Visual FoxPro; Word Perfect
Iowa	Microsoft Word; Cobol programs	Microsoft Word
Kansas	An in-house program	Text DBMS; KLIS (CICS)
Kentucky	An in-house program	An in-house program
Louisiana		
Maine	Access	
Maryland		
Massachusetts	Text DBMS; Microsoft Word	Text DBMS
Michigan	Microsoft Access; Visual Basic database	
Minnesota	Word Perfect; Basis	Word Perfect; Microsoft Word; Basis
Mississippi		Microsoft Word; FoxPro
Missouri	An in-house program	Word Perfect
Montana		
Nebraska		
Nevada	An in-house program	Microsoft Word Basic
New Hampshire		
New Jersey		
New Mexico		Word Perfect 8; an in-house program
New York		A vax system
North Carolina		Microsoft Word
North Dakota		

**Table 00-7.38 Computer Programs Used to Index the Journal, cont'd.**

<b>State</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>House or Assembly</b>
Ohio	Text DBMS	Text DBMS
Oklahoma	PSA program	An in-house program
Oregon		
Pennsylvania		
Rhode Island		
South Carolina	Microsoft Word	Visual Basic Microsoft Word
South Dakota	Word Perfect	Word Perfect
Tennessee	X-Linc	Microsoft Word; an in-house program
Texas	Text DBMS	An in-house program
Utah	Interleaf	Interleaf
Vermont		
Virginia	Framemaker	
Washington		IRC legislative management system
West Virginia		
Wisconsin	Documentum; Oracle	Quicksilver; Oracle database; Documentum
Wyoming		
District of Columbia		

**Table 00-7.39 By Whom the Journal Is Printed**

<b>State (1)</b>	<b>The chamber print shop</b>	<b>Joint legislative print shop</b>	<b>State printer</b>	<b>Private contractor</b>	<b>Other</b>
Alabama				S	
Alaska		B			
Arizona		B			
Arkansas	H				2
California			B		
Colorado				B	
Connecticut				B	
Delaware				H	
Florida	B				3
Georgia				B	
Hawaii				B	
Idaho			S	H	
Illinois		B			
Indiana		H		B	
Iowa				B	
Kansas			B		
Kentucky		S		H	
Louisiana				B	
Maine				B	
Maryland					
Massachusetts				B	
Michigan		B		S	
Minnesota	B			S	
Mississippi				H	
Missouri	B				
Montana		B			

**Table 00-7.39 By Whom the Journal Is Printed, cont'd.**

	The chamber print shop	Joint legislative print shop	State printer	Private contractor	Other
<b>State (1)</b>					
Nebraska			S		
Nevada			B		
New Hampshire			B	B	
New Jersey					
New Mexico		S		H	
New York				H	
North Carolina				B	
North Dakota				B	
Ohio				B	
Oklahoma				B	
Oregon			B		
Pennsylvania	S			H	
Rhode Island				H	
South Carolina				B	
South Dakota				B	
Tennessee		H		S	
Texas	H			S	
Utah	H	S			
Vermont			S		
Virginia				B	
Washington			B		
West Virginia				B	
Wisconsin		S	B	H	
Wyoming				B	
District of Columbia					

**Table 00-7.39 By Whom the Journal Is Printed, cont'd.**

## Key:

S=Senate

H=House or Assembly

B=Both chambers

## Notes:

1. The following chambers did not return a survey: Alabama House, Delaware Senate, Mississippi Senate, New Jersey Senate and General Assembly, New York Senate, Rhode Island Senate, Vermont House, American Samoa Senate and House, Guam Senate, Northern Mariana Islands Senate and House, Puerto Rico Senate and House, and Virgin Islands Senate.
2. Arkansas: In the Senate, the chamber journal clerks publish the printed version of the journal.
3. Florida: In the Senate, the Senate copy center also prints the journal.

**Table 00-7.40 Other Verbatim Transcript of Floor Actions**

State (1)	Produce another official document that is verbatim	Transcribe floor debate at request of a chamber leader	Transcribe floor debate at request of committee chair	Transcribe floor debate at request of any member	Transcribe floor debate at request of legislative staff	Transcribe floor debate at request of public
Alabama						
Alaska						
Arizona				B	B	
Arkansas						
California						
Colorado				B		
Connecticut	B					
Delaware				H		
Florida		S	S	S		
Georgia						
Hawaii						
Idaho						
Illinois	B					
Indiana						
Iowa						
Kansas						
Kentucky						
Louisiana						
Maine	B					
Maryland						
Massachusetts						
Michigan						
Minnesota						
Mississippi						
Missouri						
Montana						

**Table 00-7.40 Other Verbatim Transcript of Floor Actions, cont'd.**

<b>State (1)</b>	<b>Produce another official document that is verbatim</b>	<b>Transcribe floor debate at request of any chamber leader</b>	<b>Transcribe floor debate at request of committee chair</b>	<b>Transcribe floor debate at request of any member</b>	<b>Transcribe floor debate at request of legislative staff</b>	<b>Transcribe floor debate at request of public</b>
Nebraska	S					
Nevada						
New Hampshire		H				
New Jersey						
New Mexico						
New York	H					
North Carolina				S		
North Dakota				B		
Ohio						
Oklahoma						
Oregon						
Pennsylvania						
Rhode Island						
South Carolina						
South Dakota						
Tennessee				H		
Texas				S		
Utah	S			S		S
Vermont						
Virginia						
Washington				S	S	S
West Virginia				B		
Wisconsin						
Wyoming						
District of Columbia						



**Table 00-7.40 Other Verbatim Transcript of Floor Actions, cont'd.**

## Key:

S=Senate

H=House or Assembly

B=Both chambers

## Note:

1. The following chambers did not return a survey: Alabama House, Delaware Senate, Mississippi Senate, New Jersey Senate and General Assembly, New York Senate, Rhode Island Senate, Vermont House, American Samoa Senate and House, Guam Senate, Northern Mariana Islands Senate and House, Puerto Rico Senate and House, and Virgin Islands Senate.

**Table 00-7.41 Roll-Call Votes Are Available Separately from the Journal****In the following chambers, roll-call votes are available separately from the journal.**

Alabama Senate	Montana Senate and House
Alaska Senate and House	Nebraska Senate
Arizona Senate and House	Nevada Senate and Assembly
Arkansas Senate and House	New Hampshire Senate and House
California Senate and Assembly	New Mexico Senate and House
Colorado House	New York Assembly
Connecticut Senate and House	North Carolina Senate and House
Delaware House	North Dakota Senate and House
Florida Senate and House	Ohio Senate
Georgia Senate and House	Oklahoma Senate and House
Hawaii Senate	Oregon Senate and House
Idaho Senate and House	Pennsylvania Senate and House
Illinois Senate and House	Rhode Island House
Indiana Senate and House	South Carolina Senate and House
Iowa Senate and House	South Dakota Senate and House
Kansas Senate and House	Tennessee Senate and House
Kentucky Senate and House	Texas Senate and House
Louisiana Senate and House	Utah Senate and House
Maine Senate and House	Vermont Senate
Maryland Senate and House	Virginia Senate and House
Massachusetts House	Washington Senate and House
Michigan Senate	West Virginia Senate and House
Minnesota Senate and House	Wisconsin Senate and Assembly
Mississippi House	Wyoming Senate and House
Missouri Senate and House	

**In the following chambers, roll-call votes are not available separately.**

Colorado Senate	Michigan House
Massachusetts Senate	Ohio House

**Table 00-7.42 From Where Separate Roll-Call Votes Are Available**

<b>State (1)</b>	<b>From the clerk or secretary</b>	<b>From Senate or House information office</b>	<b>From Senate or House bill room</b>	<b>Through bill history/status system on Intranet</b>	<b>Through bill history/status system on Internet</b>	<b>Other</b>
Alabama	S	S			S	
Alaska		B				
Arizona	B	B			B	
Arkansas	B					
California	B			H	B	
Colorado	H					
Connecticut	B			B	B	
Delaware	H				H	
Florida	B		S	B	B	
Georgia	B		H	B	B	
Hawaii	B					
Idaho	B			S	B	
Illinois	B					2
Indiana	S	H		H	H	3
Iowa	B			H		
Kansas	B					
Kentucky	B		S			
Louisiana	B			S	S	4
Maine	B		H	S	B	
Maryland		B		B	B	
Massachusetts	H		H			
Michigan	S					5
Minnesota	B	S	H			
Mississippi	H					
Missouri	B					
Montana	B					6

**Table 00-7.42 From Where Separate Roll-Call Votes Are Available, cont'd.**

<b>State (1)</b>	<b>From the clerk or secretary</b>	<b>From Senate or House information office</b>	<b>From Senate or House bill room</b>	<b>Through bill history/status system on Intranet</b>	<b>Through bill history/status system on Internet</b>	<b>Other</b>
Nebraska	S					
Nevada	B				B	7
New Hampshire	S		H	H	H	8
New Jersey						
New Mexico	B			B		9
New York	H	H		H		
North Carolina	B					10
North Dakota	B			B	B	
Ohio	S					
Oklahoma	B	H			H	
Oregon	B			B	B	11
Pennsylvania	B					
Rhode Island	H					
South Carolina	B					
South Dakota	B		B	B	B	
Tennessee	B					
Texas	B					
Utah	H	B		S	B	
Vermont	S			S	S	
Virginia	H	B		S	H	
Washington	B			B	B	12
West Virginia	B					
Wisconsin	B			B		
Wyoming	B					
District of Columbia						

**Table 00-7.42 From Where Separate Roll-Call Votes Are Available, cont'd.**

## Key:

- S=Senate
- H=House or Assembly
- B=Both chambers

## Notes:

1. The following chambers did not return a survey: Alabama House, Delaware Senate, Mississippi Senate, New Jersey Senate and General Assembly, New York Senate, Rhode Island Senate, Vermont House, American Samoa Senate and House, Guam Senate, Northern Mariana Islands Senate and House, Puerto Rico Senate and House, and Virgin Islands Senate.
2. Illinois: In the House, roll-call votes are available on the Internet.
3. Indiana: According to the Senate, roll-call votes are available from the Legislative Information Council, which serves both chambers.
4. Louisiana: In the House, roll-call votes are available electronically through the chamber automation system on the Internet.
5. Michigan: In the Senate, roll-call votes are available on an internal computer application and may be printed during session at various locations, such as the chamber staff lounges or session staff offices.
6. Montana: In the Senate and House, roll-call votes also are available from Legislative Services.
7. Nevada: In the Senate, roll-call votes are available through a published roll-call record.
8. New Hampshire: In the House, in special circumstances, roll-call votes may be obtained on disc.
9. New Mexico: According to the Senate, a separate volume of roll-call votes—for example, The Voting Record of the XX Legislature—is prepared and published by another legislative office.
10. North Carolina: In the Senate, roll-call votes also are available from the legislative library.
11. Oregon: In the House, roll-call votes also are available from a printed version of the bill history/status report.
12. Washington: In the House, roll-call votes also are available from the House work room.

**Table 00-7.43 Compilation of the Voting Records of Legislators****The following chambers compile the voting records of their members.**

Alaska Senate and House	New York Assembly
Arizona Senate and House	North Carolina Senate and House
California Senate and Assembly	Ohio Senate and House
Connecticut Senate and House	Oklahoma Senate and House
Delaware House	Oregon House
Georgia Senate	Texas House
Indiana Senate	Utah House
Kansas Senate and House	Vermont Senate
Maine Senate and House	Virginia House
Missouri Senate	Washington Senate and House
Nevada Senate and Assembly	Wisconsin Assembly
New Hampshire Senate and House	District of Columbia Council

**The following chambers do not compile the voting records of their members.**

Alabama Senate	Missouri House
Arkansas Senate and House	Montana Senate and House
Colorado Senate and House	Nebraska Senate
Florida Senate and House	New Mexico Senate and House
Georgia House	North Dakota Senate and House
Hawaii Senate and House	Oregon Senate
Idaho Senate and House	Pennsylvania Senate and House
Illinois Senate and House	Rhode Island House
Indiana House	South Carolina Senate and House
Iowa Senate and House	South Dakota Senate and House
Kentucky Senate and House	Tennessee Senate and House
Louisiana Senate and House	Texas Senate
Maryland Senate and House	Utah Senate
Massachusetts Senate and House	Virginia Senate
Michigan Senate and House	West Virginia Senate and House
Minnesota Senate and House	Wisconsin Senate
Mississippi House	Wyoming Senate and House

**Table 00-7.44 Method by which Voting Records Are Compiled****In the following chambers, the voting records of members are compiled manually.**

Maine Senate	Washington Senate
Vermont Senate	District of Columbia Council

**In the following chambers, the voting records of members are compiled by computer program.**

Alaska Senate and House	New York Assembly
Arizona Senate and House	North Carolina House
California Senate and Assembly	North Dakota Senate
Connecticut Senate and House	Ohio Senate and House
Delaware House	Oklahoma Senate and House
Georgia Senate	Oregon House
Kansas Senate and House	Texas House
Maine House	Utah House
Missouri Senate	Virginia House
Nevada Senate and Assembly	Washington House
New Hampshire Senate and House	Wisconsin Assembly

**In the following chamber, the voting records of members are compiled by another method.**

Indiana Senate
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**Table 00-7.45 Computer Programs Used to Compile Voting Records**

<b>State</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>House or Assembly</b>
Alabama		
Alaska	An in-house program	An in-house program
Arizona	An in-house program	An in-house program
Arkansas		
California		An in-house program
Colorado		
Connecticut	An in-house program; Microsoft Excel	An in-house program; Microsoft Excel
Delaware		Lotus Notes
Florida		
Georgia	Report Writer	
Hawaii		
Idaho		
Illinois		
Indiana	SQL7 database	
Iowa		
Kansas	IRC program; an in-house program	Text DBMS; KLIS (CICS)
Kentucky		
Louisiana		
Maine		IRC program
Maryland		
Massachusetts		
Michigan		
Minnesota		
Mississippi		
Missouri	An in-house program	
Montana		
Nebraska		
Nevada	Crystal Reports	Crystal Reports
New Hampshire		
New Jersey		
New Mexico		
New York		
North Carolina		Legislative vote reporting system
North Dakota		



**Table 00-7.45 Computer Programs Used to Compile Voting Records, cont'd.**

<b>State</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>House or Assembly</b>
Ohio	Report Writer	Report Writer
Oklahoma	PSA program	Report Writer
Oregon		An in-house program
Pennsylvania		
Rhode Island		
South Carolina		
South Dakota		
Tennessee		
Texas		Report Writer
Utah		Windows-based program
Vermont		
Virginia		FoxPro
Washington		Report Writer
West Virginia		
Wisconsin		Daktronics EV700; Microsoft Word
Wyoming		
District of Columbia		

**Table 00-7.46 To Whom Voting Records Are Available**

State (1)	The Senate president or House speaker may obtain record for a member of his/her party	The Senate president or House speaker may obtain record for any member	A caucus leader may receive record for a member of his/her party	A caucus leader may receive record for any member	A member may receive his/her own record	A member may receive record for any member	Member voting records are available to the public
Alabama							
Alaska							B
Arizona					B		B
Arkansas							
California		S	S		S		B
Colorado							
Connecticut					B		B
Delaware					H		
Florida							
Georgia					S		
Hawaii							
Idaho							
Illinois							
Indiana							
Iowa							
Kansas		S		S		S	B
Kentucky							
Louisiana							
Maine	S				B		
Maryland							
Massachusetts							
Michigan							
Minnesota							
Mississippi							
Missouri					S		
Montana							

**Table 00-7.46 To Whom Voting Records Are Available, cont'd.**

State (1)	The Senate president or House speaker may obtain record for a member of his/her party	The Senate president or House speaker may obtain record for any member	A caucus leader may receive record for a member of his/her party	A caucus leader may receive record for any member	A member may receive his/her own record	A member may receive record for any member	Member voting records are available to the public
Nebraska							
Nevada							B
New Hampshire		B		B		B	B
New Jersey							
New Mexico							
New York		H			H		H
North Carolina		S		S		S	B
North Dakota							
Ohio					B		
Oklahoma					B		
Oregon							H
Pennsylvania							
Rhode Island							
South Carolina							
South Dakota							
Tennessee							
Texas					H		
Utah		H	H	H		H	H
Vermont							S
Virginia							H
Washington							B
West Virginia							
Wisconsin	H	H	H	H	H	H	H
Wyoming							
District of Columbia							S

**Table 00-7.46 To Whom Voting Records Are Available, cont'd.**

## Key:

S=Senate

H=House or Assembly

B=Both chambers

## Note:

1. The following chambers did not return a survey: Alabama House, Delaware Senate, Mississippi Senate, New Jersey Senate and General Assembly, New York Senate, Rhode Island Senate, Vermont House, American Samoa Senate and House, Guam Senate, Northern Mariana Islands Senate and House, Puerto Rico Senate and House, and Virgin Islands Senate.

**Table 00-7.47 Format in which Voting Records Are Available****In the following chambers, voting records are available as a simple printed listing.**

Alaska Senate and House	New York Assembly
Arizona Senate and House	North Carolina Senate
California Senate and Assembly	Ohio Senate and House
Connecticut Senate and House	Oklahoma Senate and House
Delaware House	Texas House
Georgia Senate	Utah House
Indiana Senate	Virginia House
Kansas Senate and House	Washington Senate and House
Maine Senate and House	Wisconsin Assembly
Missouri Senate	District of Columbia Council
New Hampshire Senate and House	

**In the following chambers, voting records are available as a published book or pamphlet.**

Nevada Senate and Assembly	Vermont Senate
Oregon House	Washington House

**In the following chambers, voting records are available electronically on the Intranet.**

California Assembly	Washington House
Oregon House	District of Columbia Council
Utah House	

**In the following chambers, voting records are available electronically on the Internet.**

Arizona House	Utah House
California Assembly	Washington House
Oregon House	

