



2011 Legislative Session Begins January 10

Legislators Meet for an Organizational Session

The Oregon State Legislature will convene at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, January 10, to begin organizing for the upcoming session. Over the course of three days, legislators will swear-in newly elected officials, elect legislative leaders, adopt rules, organize and appoint committees, and begin introducing bills. The legislature will convene again in February to officially begin the session. A full schedule covering Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week can be found [here](#). The House will convene at 8:00 a.m. and the Senate will convene at 9:30 a.m. A joint assembly for the inaugural address from Governor Kitzhaber will be held in the in the House Chamber at 10:45, with a reception to follow in the rotunda.

Capitol events can be accessed via live streaming audio and video feeds on the Oregon Channel [website](#).

House and Senate Leadership

The House and Senate Nominate Leaders

Both House and Senate leaders have been selected over the past several weeks and will be officially appointed to leadership positions next week. The current list includes:

Senate Leadership

- Senate President: Peter Courtney (D-Salem/Woodburn/Gervais)
- Senate President Pro Tempore: Ginny Burdick (D-Portland/Tigard)

Senate Majority Caucus Leaders

- Senate Majority Leader: Diane Rosenbaum (D-Portland)
- Senate Deputy Majority Leader: Alan Bates (D-Ashland)
- Senate Majority Whip: Mark Hass (D-Beaverton)
- Senate Majority Whip: Chris Edwards (D-Eugene/Santa Clara/Junction City)
- Senate Assistant Majority Leader: Suzanne Bonamici (D-NW Portland/Beaverton)
- Senate Assistant Majority Leader: Floyd Prozanski (D-South Lane & North Douglas Counties)

Senate Republican Caucus Leaders

- Senate Republican Caucus Leader: Ted Ferrioli (R-John Day)
- Deputy Senate Republican Caucus Leader: Bruce Starr (R-Hillsboro)
- Deputy Senate Republican Caucus Leader: Frank Morse (R-Albany)

House Leadership

- Speaker or Co-Speaker Nominee: Rep. Arnie Roblan (D-Coos Bay)*
- Speaker Pro Tem or Co-Speaker Pro Tem Nominee: Bruce Hanna (R-Roseburg)*

House Democratic Caucus Leaders

- Democratic Leader: Rep. Dave Hunt (D-Clackamas County)
- Democratic Whip: Rep. Tobias Read (D-Beaverton)
- Deputy Democratic Whip: Rep. Sara Gelser (D-Corvallis)
- Assistant Democratic Leaders: Rep. Jules Bailey (D-SE Portland), Rep. Phil Barnhart (D-Central Lane & Linn Counties); Rep. Val Hoyle (W. Eugene and Junction City); and Rep. Jefferson Smith (D-E. Portland).

*All nominees for Speaker or Speaker Pro Tem will not become official until elected by 31 or more House members on January 10, 2011.

House Republicans Caucus Leaders

- Co-Speaker Pro Tempore nominee: Rep. Andy Olson (R-Albany), will serve with Republican Co-Speaker Bruce Hanna (R-Roseburg) in presiding over the House with Democratic officers
- House Republican Leader: Rep. Kevin Cameron (R-Salem)
- Deputy Republican Leader: Rep. Matt Wingard (R-Wilsonville)
- Republican Whip: Rep. Tim Freeman (R-Roseburg)

Legislative Committees

Senate committees and membership have been appointed and can be found [here](#). The House has announced its committees but has not yet appointed members; a list of House committees can be found [here](#). Membership will be assigned next week.

Information on the 2011 legislative session can be found on our [website](#) throughout the coming months, including contact information for legislators, a list of legislators by community college district and by committee, committee schedules and links to audio and video feeds.