


LEGISLATIVE TERMINOLOGY

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ACT
A bill which has been passed by both the Senate and House, enrolled, certified, approved by the Governor or passed over the Governor’s veto, and published.

ACTS
A book published after each regular session of the Iowa Legislature containing all of the bills and joint resolutions approved during that session. Also known as the session laws.

ADJOURNMENT
Ending of a meeting or legislative session. Adjournment of the House or Senate takes place at the close of each legislative day, with the hour and day of the next meeting set before adjournment.

ADJOURNMENT SINE DIE
Ending of the Legislature for the year, taking place on the last day of a session. No future meeting date is set except as provided in the Iowa Constitution.

ADOPTION
Approval or acceptance; usually applied to motions, amendments, and resolutions.