BUDGET TERMS

Biennial

The Biennial Budget is the standard two-year budget that begins on July 1st every other year.

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Supplemental

A Supplemental Budget is an adjustment to the Biennial Budget after it is in effect.

Curtailment

An order from the governor to state agencies that reduces spending from the current budget.

2020-21

The Biennial Budget for fiscal years 2020 and 2021 totalled \$8.0 billion.

2018-19

The Biennial Budget for fiscal years 2018 and 2019 totalled \$7.1 billion.

90 Days

Non-emergency bills signed by the governor take effect 90 days after adjournment. Emergency bills take effect immediately upon the governor's signature.

Majority

More than 90 days before the fiscal year begins (July 1), a budget may pass with a simple majority vote of the Legislature.

Two-Thirds

A budget passed less than 90 days before the fiscal year (July1) must have a 2/3 vote of the Legislature to go into effect.

