



The legislative session is expected to wrap up toward the end of next month, following the pattern of previous years. A key indicator the end is nearing is the governor's budget amendment, which usually signals that session will conclude within two to three weeks. Once House and Senate Finance, Ways, and Means Committees finalize the annual budget bill, the focus will shift to closing out remaining legislative business.

To facilitate this process, committees must complete their business and shut down for the year. The House has already started announcing final calendar deadlines set for various subcommittees as lawmakers push toward adjournment. Meanwhile, significant legislation continues to move forward.

Beyond state policy, Governor Lee also addressed the impact of President Trump's newly imposed tariffs, which include 25% duties on Canada and Mexico and increased tariffs on Chinese imports, prompting retaliatory measures. While acknowledging potential economic effects, Lee said he could not predict the specific impact on Nashville. He defended Trump's approach, emphasizing the president prioritizes America's economy and is taking action against countries that fail to curb fentanyl trafficking.

As the session nears its conclusion, lawmakers remain focused on budget negotiations, regulatory measures, and broader economic policies that will shape Tennessee's future.