

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Recent Actions During the 1996 Regular and Special Sessions of the General Assembly

The following is a summary of recent actions of the General Assembly during the 1996 Regular and Special Sessions.

1996 ACTS—Acts 129 through 133 (numerical)

<i>Act No.</i>	<i>Enactment Date</i>	<i>Bill No.</i>	<i>Printer's No.</i>	<i>Effective Date</i>	<i>Subject Matter</i>
1996-129	Oct. 30	HB664	PN2987	Immediately	Donated Food Limited Liability Act—definitions, charitable or religious immunity and wildlife donated as food
1996-130	Oct. 30	HB1166	PN3783	Immediately	Optometric Practice and Licensure Act—omnibus amendments
1996-131	Oct. 30	HB2024	PN4030	60 days	Pennsylvania Innkeepers' Rights Act—enactment
1996-132	Oct. 30	HB2695	PN3903	Immediately	Project 70 lands—release and imposition of restrictions on City of Allentown lands
1996-133	Oct. 30	HB2388	PN4049	Immediately*	Unemployment Compensation Law—definition, ineligibility of incarcerated employees, use of Federal moneys and appropriation

*with exceptions

Effective Dates of Statutes

The effective dates specified above for laws and appropriation acts were contained in the applicable law or appropriation act. Where no date is specified or where the effective date specified is prior to the date of enactment, the effective date is 60 days after final enactment except for statutes making appropriations or affecting budgets of political subdivisions. See 1 Pa.C.S. §§ 1701—1704 (relating to effective dates of statutes).

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Section 1106 of Title 1 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes provides that the prothonotaries of each county shall file advance copies of statutes in their offices of public inspection until the Laws of Pennsylvania are generally available. Section 2406(h) of The Administrative Code of 1929 provides that the Department of General Services shall distribute advance sheets of the Laws of Pennsylvania to each law judge of the courts, to every county and public library of this Commonwealth, and to each member of the General Assembly. These copies shall be furnished without charge. The Department shall also mail one copy of each law enacted during any legislative session to any person who pays to it the sum of \$20.

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Legislative Bills and Documents

Copies of Senate Bills and Documents may be obtained from: Document Room, Senate of Pennsylvania, Room 34A, Main Capitol Building, Harrisburg, PA 17120, telephone (717) 787-6732.

Copies of House Bills and Documents may be obtained from: Document Room, House of Representatives, 35 Main Capitol Building, Harrisburg, PA 17120, telephone (717) 787-5320.

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