

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Recent Actions During the 1998 Regular Session of the General Assembly

The following is a summary of recent actions of the General Assembly during the 1998 Regular Session.

1998 ACTS—Acts 34 through 40 (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>
1998-34	Mar. 20	SB492	PN1507	60 days	Commercial Real Estate Broker Lien Act—enactment
1998-35	Mar. 24	SB769	PN825	Immediately	Expedited Eviction of Drug Traffickers Act—name change and definition of court
1998-36	Mar. 24	SB1087	PN1657	Immediately*	Domestic Relations Code (23 Pa.C.S.)—alimony, alimony pendente lite and contempt for violation of protection order or agreement
1998-37	Mar. 24	SB1175	PN1638	60 days	Real and Personal Property (68 Pa.C.S.)—planned communities
1998-38	Mar. 24	HB1189	PN3035	60 days	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.)—invasion of privacy; penalty
1998-39	Mar. 24	HB1573	PN2659	Immediately	Agriculture Code (3 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments
1998-40	Mar. 24	HB1757	PN2830	60 days	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.)—solicitation of minors to traffic drugs

* 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 of 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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