

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 41 through 44 (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>
1998-41	April 2	HB162	PN3299	Immediately	Education (24 Pa.C.S.) and State Government (71 Pa.C.S.)—early retirement eligibility and standards of compensation for employees of Public School and State Employees' retirement boards
1998-42	April 3	HB1828	PN2300	Immediately	Repeal—obsolete law pertaining to county prisons, the Foster Home Association, rent of wharves and docks in port of Philadelphia and service of process on foreign insurance companies
1998-43	April 6	SB1204	PN1790	Immediately	Conveyance—Commonwealth property in Bucks and Somerset counties
1998-44	April 6	HB961	PN3204	60 days	Third Class City Code—school crossing guards and sale procedure

1998 APPROPRIATIONS—Acts 1A through 5A (numerical)

1998-01A	April 6	HB2357	PN3080	July 1, 1998	Office of Small Business Advocate—operation
1998-02A	April 6	HB2362	PN3085	July 1, 1998	State Employees' Retirement Board—administrative expenses, etc.
1998-03A	April 6	HB2363	PN3086	July 1, 1998	Public School Employees' Retirement Board—administrative expenses, etc.
1998-04A	April 6	HB2364	PN3087	July 1, 1998	Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs—operation
1998-05A	April 6	HB2365	PN3088	July 1, 1998	Department of Labor and Industry and Department of Community and Economic Development—workers' compensation, occupational diseases and administrative expenses, etc.

*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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